



## CHILD ADVOCACY NETWORK OF MONROE COUNTY, INC. MEETING MINUTES OF April 13, 2011

### Name and Mission Statement

This corporation shall be known as “Child Advocacy Network of Monroe County, Inc.” and exists as a chartered local coalition of the Michigan Committee for Prevention of Child Abuse and a designated council of the Children’s Trust Fund. The mission of CAN is to promote community awareness through programs, initiatives and general education, concerning the physical, social, and emotional well being of children and families in Monroe County

**ATTENDEES:** Deb Brescol – RSVP; Tracy Boudrie – American Red Cross/MC-ISD; Lynn Gluvna – Child Care Network; Carlton Korzeniowski – DHS; Connie Carroll – UW; Chris Todd – MC-ISD/ SW-MC AEYC; Jennifer Ewen – MC Prosecutor’s;

**I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AND WELCOME** – President Chris Todd, presiding called the meeting to order at 9:05 am.

### II. INTRODUCTIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Nickelson** – BBBS ~ 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Monroe’s Biggest Idol, May 7, 2011, 6:30pm Cost \$25 at La-Z-Boy Center at MCCC;

**Korzenowski** – DHS 14<sup>th</sup> CPS investigator hired, former police officer, this is 1 of 700 new hires Statewide. Our number of case workers is based on case loads. Hired a 2<sup>nd</sup> CPS Supervisor late 2010 and looking to hire a 3<sup>rd</sup> soon;

**Carroll** – UW Health Check dates are set flier passed around; good for those with little or no insurance. Will offer children services with parents consent there. Working with Impact on PSA for Non Profits for both radio and TV;

**Russeau** – Com Foundation Imagination Library in place and registration begins May 16<sup>th</sup>, fliers available, registering children 0-5 and will receive a book a month until 5yrs old. Cost is 19,000 raised and will support the first year, does not need to show financial need, cost is \$36 per year. Children will begin receiving books 6 weeks from registration;

**Arnold** – Monroe Court System - Hohman and Arnold hiring a new supervisor for Youth Center. Interested in someone interested Juvenile Justice. Approached by Rep Zorn who is interested in becoming more involved with Bullying. Wants to form a team to work on this, schools need to be involved and work on legislation. Duffin & Corie working on Grant to bring funding to schools;

**Redding** – CASA Light of Hope, Sat May 7<sup>th</sup>, 1p-4p, flier passed. Still looking for agencies to set up stations at Munson for the children;

**Todd** – ISD 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Be Their Hero Summit May 19 & 20. Flier coming. Dinner is Thursday. Jim Gill is the guest speaker. Seats are limited

**Boudrie** – ARC Bowl-A-Thon;  
**Schmitz** YMCA Hosting Healthy Kids Day, Saturday, April 16. 10-2  
**Gluvna** – CCN Easter Egg Hunt this Sat, at Munson. Radio Disney will be there. Hunt begins at 11, registration begins at 10

III. **MINUTES** –Motion: Name; 2<sup>nd</sup>: Name. (Corrections)

IV. **TREASURER'S REPORT:** Deb B.- Total reported \$ 4,238.89 available to CAN and \$4,409.43 for Celebrate Children. Report placed on file for audit. Most expenditure for Celebrate Children, still receiving memorials from Peter Sickels. Redding ~ 4409 carry over? Yes, and waiting for final amounts from DTE and Kohl's volunteers. Redding are we taking any actions on the Memorial Funds? Should this be sent to finance committee? Todd has ideas, will discuss under finance. Bill for pinwheels yet? Not as of this time.

V. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- a. **Education and Advocacy** –Todd – Halo Sleepers and Babynet? Redding ~ we asked for volunteers and group met and met with MMH, but not sure who is taking lead to purchase, but have a plan to reduce cost of donational items. Will continue with current supply until gone, and will change to Halo Sleepers for budget discussion for next fiscal year. Not sure who will be purchasing Halo Sleepers and will find out more soon. Making Connections overall had positive feedback, and plan to continue next year. Celebrate Children ~ 61 vendors committed, 60 showed up. 900 Pinwheels given away. 600 t-shirts distributed in 1 ½ hrs. Open to any comments, 433 food vendor coupons turned in out of the 600 given out. Came in under budget. Child ID kits 147 done, slower than years past, but feel they have caught up with children in Monroe. TY to Sima for helping. TY to Lynn for all the work she did. Todd ~ update on injury. A DTE volunteer fell at the event and was injured. Redding ~ important that we came in under budget, but remember CAN is fiduciary agent, and will have to raise the funds as we use them as our match to CTF. Pinwheel project ~ planted on April 1 at St. Mary's Park. Rep Zorn, Mayor Clark, and Rep from Richardville attended. Proclamation from Mayor's office, Zorn's here. Bedford Library Pinwheel Planting is April 15 at 11am. Please come. Planting is done at Jefferson and they are putting info out in their newsletter. Ques – Korzenowski ~ previous fundraising effort blue wrist band? Response ~ not from CAN but with everything else going on, fundraising items have not been pursued. Carroll ~ CAC has the Blue Ribbon Tree, maybe that's where they were. If someone is willing to take that on as a project it would great.
- b. **Political Action** – Ewen – positions have changed in Prosecutors office. There is no one person for child abuse cases. Change in law about Sex Offender registry ~ consensual sex under 16 will not be on the registry and can petition to be removed. The age gap between victim and perpetrator is not yet determined. ;
- c. **Membership** – Dot Stacy – Nickelson ~ no report, but needs new member packet;
- d. **CAC** – Brooks – Korzenowski ~ business is good unfortunately. Arnold ~ Blue Ribbon tree set up. Planning committee meeting May 5<sup>th</sup> for Brews & Brats;

VI. **OTHER REPORTS**

- a. **Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA)** – Stacy: Joing May 7<sup>th</sup> . .



- b. Golf Outing* – is scheduled.

## VII. CORRESPONDENCE

- a.* Invitation to participate with Senior Source Magazine. Free listing for caregivers.
- b.* RSVP nomination for Sr. of yr
- c.* Happy
- d.* AT&T Matching Donation Letter will be looking into it. Employee giving campaign.
- e.* Donations from Sickels Memorial \$1490 total donations so far. We need to pull group together to decide where to allocate it. Do not think it needs to stay in bank but used to help children, decide on a resolution for the funds, and then let the family know what was done with it.

## VIII. ONGOING BUSINESS

### IX. NEW BUSINESS

- a.* Todd ~ Semi Annual Report for CAN has been submitted. Redding ~ we have three primary objectives for the CTF funding. Report distributed to attendees and on file. As we look forward to next yr we can re-write our plan for CTF, will be effective Oct 1, and will hear more info toward May. When we write plan, it is a 3 yr plan. Todd – we need a work group to discuss the next 3 yr plan (Oct 2011-Sep 2014). Redding will retire from ISD and we need to look to the future for who may continue this. Todd – would like this to be a real collaborative effort of the entire Council not just 3 or 4 people. Set aside time on next agenda for discussion. We should be looking at what it takes to move to Tier III and include this in our plans so that when CTF opens this we are ready. Tie this into the Strategic plan and tie these together.

### X. FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORGANIZATION

**Meeting Adjourned at 10:18 a.m.**

### XI. NEXT MEETING

**Monthly Meeting – May 11, 2011 at 9:00 AM at United Way.**  
**Executive Board Meeting – June 8, 2011 8:00 AM – United Way**

Respectfully submitted by Tracy Boudrie