

Great Start Parent Coalition
Meeting Minutes
June 4, 2009
9:30AM – 10:45AM

GREETER: Shelly Greene

SERGEANT at ARMS: Celeste Buckley

SECRETARY: Laura Hill

- ❖ **Time limits for discussion items were set. The Sergeant at Arms will enforce**
- ❖ **Set summer calendar for booths**
 - Choose top four events
 - DEAR at Zoo, June 17
 - Partnering with Birth-5
 - 3 shifts to fill
 - Laura Hill will work 10:30 – 1:30
 - Celeste Buckley will work 1:30 – 3:30
 - (Julie, Jill & Toinette will be in Boyne for this event)
 - At his event, we will simply hand out literature about our program and Sydney game pieces
 - Friday Night Live, August 7
 - Chesaning Showboat
 - Jill will send a letter of request
 - Julie will secure a site for Sydney in Chesaning
 - We will need an activity for the kids to do
 - ◆ Take picture with polaroid or digital (have printer on hand)camera to place in Magnet frame, or have them draw a self portrait
 - ◆ Sydney coloring pages
 - National Night Out
- ❖ **Good Ideas display for GSC Boyne Conference**
 - Cardboard cutout of Sydney that says "Have you seen me?"
 - We could also use this at other events
 - We should have more than one
 - Jill will contact American Speedy and Prints Plus to see if this can be done
 - T-Shirts
 - Where's Sydney t-shirts
 - Black and white drawing of her on front of tee
 - Different styles/fits for different people
 - Also, have (where's Sydney) buttons made for board members to where

- Laura will mail coloring pages to Jill
- ❖ **Grant Applications Review**
 - We have received local grants in the past
 - These grants are made possible due to the stimulus dollars
 - Dalia will take the lead on pursuing the kidsgardening.org grant.
 - Grant is due November 2009
 - Jill will work with Shelly to apply for the Home Depot grant
 - Grant will focus on beautifying the Big Brothers/Big Sisters site
- ❖ **Next evening meeting**
 - We have canceled the June 25 meeting
 - We were unable to secure Brian Pruitt
 - We have also opted to not have an evening meeting in August due to the number of booths we are participating in that month
 - We will plan to have a town hall meeting in September
 - We will hand select who we would like to invite to this event
- ❖ **Family Picnic for GSCPC families**
 - Week of July 20 – 26
 - 3-6PM
 - 1st choice, Heritage park in Frankenmuth
 - 2nd choice, Haithco park
 - Jill will finalize these details and send letter
- ❖ **Legislative follow up**
 - We will host a town hall meeting in September
 - Everyone was urged to contact their local reps
- ❖ **Future Meetings/Events**
 - Next meeting July 27, 2009 at Hoyt Library
 - Board meeting 9AM – 11AM
 - Parent Coalition Meeting 11:00AM – 12:00PM
 - July 1st, Julie and Jill will be meeting to “pow wow” and discuss orientation packet for parents (amongst other things).
 - Meeting will be from 10:30 – 2
 - Location to be determined, looking into Magic Bean Cafe on State St.
 - DEAR at Zoo - June 17, 2009
 - Chesaning Show Boat - July, 2009
 - National Night Out – August 2009
 - Friday Night Live Family Night – August 7, 2009