



Great Start Collaborative Parent Coalition Minutes
March 17, 2008
Transitions Center
10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Members Present: Toinette Ingram, Whitney Haron, Maureen Cieszlak, Sarah Byam, Lula Haynes, Ruth Ruby, Celeste Buckley, Stephanie Dunn, Pam Boyke

- I. Eco Map
 - Everyone mapped what they are involved in. Whitney will type all the responses up.
- II. Review and Revise Mission Statement
 - Everyone agreed that the Mission statement is what we want.
 1. Ground Rules need to be listed as first item on future agendas.
 2. Lula passed out literature on writing a compelling vision and mission statement.
- III. Parent Coalition Brochure
 - Our next meeting to work on the brochure will be Thursday, April 3rd at the McDonald's on Bay and Weiss. Time: 9:30 a.m.
- IV. April "Bring A Friend" Parent Meeting
 - Date: Thursday, April 17th
 - Time: 6:00 – 7:30 pm
 - Place: St. John Lutheran Church on Federal and Genessee
 - Dinner and childcare provided
 - We are all going to tell how we got involved
 - Everyone will wear their Great Start t-shirts
- V. GSC Meeting – April 28th
 - We will do our presentation to the Collaborative in June. Our next meeting will be our training on "Talking to Legislators."
- VI. Welcome Julie Luncheon
 - Everyone agreed on Thursday, May 15th at 12:30 pm for a welcome luncheon for Julie at Old Country Buffet.
 - Sarah is going to get a card to send to Julie and have everyone sign.
 - Sarah is going to call the Old Country Buffet to see if we can reserve a room.
 - We also need to notify Julie.

VII. Open Forum

- We need to talk about our event and what we are going to do in September for the community.
- Star Power is May 21st. More info to follow.

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