

## Great Start Executive Committee Meeting June 17, 2010

Attendance: Sommer Poquette, Marcia Campbell, Shirley Gillespie and Beth Watts.

1. Great Start has received the \$6,000 Michigan Now grant.
2. Talks are still occurring with United Way regarding being the fiduciary. Now that we have the Michigan Now grant Lyn Jenks, if she accepts the job will be working with the collaborative to bring us to the next phase of fund development.
3. Meeting:
  - a. Name plates for people at the Great Start meetings. Shirley Gillespie will be making the name plates with a name and title on each.
  - b. The following items were presented for consideration on the agenda:
    - Michigan Now and Revenue Planning
    - A presentation by Cynthia, who is an Americore person from the East Jordan Health Clinic. She will present on her charge to register families on MiChild.
    - An update of the Summer Calendar and the success of events to date.
    - An implementation fund update: net books, pediatrician connect, and ASQ's.
    - Birth to 8 Workgroup
    - Introduction of the need to update/rewrite the Strategic Plan beginning in September 2010.
    - A Speaker/Legislative Event in collaboration with the Petoskey Chamber of Commerce, September 24<sup>th</sup>.
4. A suggestion was made for Sommer or someone from the collaborative to make a connection with Mickey Kilpatrick who is the Director of LTBB Head Start/Early Head Start in regard to making a tribal connection.
5. The Great Start Collaborative has been register per Meagan for the Boyne City and Petoskey 4<sup>th</sup> of July parades. Sommer will be purchasing a variety of red, white and blue T-shirts in various sizes for those who participate to wear. We are in need of a trailer and truck for the event. Travel tooth brushes and sun block will be given out at the parades. The following are the details of each parade:
  - Boyne City:
    - Parade line up is at 9:30 a.m. Line up at the Boyne City Water Works building, 202 Division. The parade starts at 11 a.m.
  - Petoskey
    - Parade line up begins at 5 p.m. The parade starts at 6p.m. Line up at the Petoskey High School (please enter from Northman Drive). Upon arrival a parade volunteer will give you a position number and will

direct you to your position. Line up needs to be completed by 5:45p.m.

- The parade route will proceed down Mitchell St. to Petoskey St. then up Lake St, disbanding at Pennsylvania Park.

7. There are monies to bring in a speaker for a Legislative Event. Sommer has been talking with Carlin Smith from the Petoskey Chamber. He suggested that a Friday lunch speaker be planned. It has been suggested that Charlie McGinnis and Naomi DeWinter do a presentation/discussion with question and answer. The virtual bus tour would also be part of the luncheon. Business members would be invited as well as collaborative members. Business members would be expected to pay for the luncheon, \$15 and collaborative member's costs would be covered. The date that is being considered is September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2010 and it would be at the Perry Hotel. Everyone present agreed with the idea and speakers.

8. On June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2010 there will be a Legislative Forum on Twitter from 12 -1 p.m. Andy Dylan and Mike Cox who are running of office have both expressed interest in participating.