Local Advisory Council for Children's Mental Health Meeting Minutes
April 12, 2006

Attending: Jeremy Stenerson, Lori Ward, Head Start, Jessica Tosau, LSS, Cheryl Lucero, LSS, Lanette Krinsky, Parent Rep., Amy McEwen, Parent Rep., Ben Brunsvold, Clay County Commissioner, Jacalyn Migler, Moorhead Schools, Carol Beckstrom, CCSS, Kathy Johnson, Public Health, Dawn Tommerdahl, Collaborative, Renee Olson, Lakeland, Shawna Croaker, Access, Deborah Jendro, Federation of Families, Carolyn Strnad, Parent Rep.

1. Ben Brunsvold discussed the current system mental health issues.
Findings are suggesting an increase of severe mental health problems in many settings. He is looking to identify and treat underlying mental health issues across settings to present to the state.

2. Updates
-Clay County workers are not striking
-ARC Tootsie roll sales will be held April 29th at Kmart -Fashion show was a success -Deb from Federation of Families passed out flyers for mental health walk -Children's Mental Health awareness day is May 8th -Lori passed out referral forms for Head Start for fall

3. Mental Health Fair
-Lori reserved HS classrooms for daycare in the evening -Dawn passed out information on the agenda for the day -Stress balls will be made 10-4 by the LAC. A sign-up sheet will be passed at next meeting -Tickets for free lunch went out to Rule 79 Case Managers to give to families -Proceeds from the chili cook off will be used to purchase stress balls supplies and help with food for the fair.

4. A motion was made by Carol, with Kathy seconding, that the LAC approve up to $800.00 expended out of the CCSS/LAC budget for 2 billboards. All approved.
-Carol to have Sheryl print 200 LAC brochures -Lanette to check on bookmarks, 300 suggested -Carolyn motioned with Lanette seconding, to approve $500.00 for promotional items to be expended by the CCSS/LAC budget. All approved. Amy, Carolyn and Lanette to choose items.

5. Carolyn will bring survey next month for review to potentially present at the mental health fair.

6. Funding requests for flexible funds, Churches United program, respite and training to go to the Administrative Group. If approved, funding would not be available until July 2006.

-Carol agreed to check with funding provided for the Crime Bill to see if there would be any funding available for flexible funding for Rule 79 children for activities for the summer, as July will be too late for some activities.

-Next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, May 10th. Parent Support at 8:00 and Council meeting at 8:30, room 2 at the Family Service Center.