

**Local Advisory Council
For Children's Mental Health**

September 13, 2006

Attending: Shawna Croaker, Access, Kathy Johnson, Public Health, Deb Jendro, Federation of Families, Amy McEwen, parent, Lanette Krinsky, parent, Karla Flisk, CUFH/Access, Carolyn Strnad, parent, Anna Thompson, Access, Dawn Tommerdahl, Collaborative, Carol Beckstrom, CCSS

-Lanette gave updates on upcoming activities through the ARC.

ARC dance in the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month from 7:15 to 8:15 at Hopkins gym. Halloween Dance will be on October 23rd, same time and place.

Sib Shop will be held on the 26th and a Family Zoo activity on the 23rd. Please contact the ARC for more information on these activities.

-Brown Bag lunches will begin the first Tuesday's of the month at 11:30 at the Family Service Center. A local professional will be presenting.

-Rule 79 Case Managers are selling Preferred Coupon books to raise money for children's activities. They are \$20.00 each.

-Steve Street, MSUM professor will be presenting on IDEA on September 26th. Please contact the Federation of Families for more information.

-Flexible funding should be ready for application by the 15th. Dawn will send out application/protocol forms by email.

-A Brainstorming Breakfast has been set for **Tuesday, October 3rd at 8:30** at the Family Service Center, Room 2. The purpose of this meeting will be to problem solve and prioritize services/needs with parents of children who have mental health services. Those who provide mental health services to children are encouraged to invite parents to attend this meeting. Results from this meeting will be brought to the county board.

Shawna to make a flyer to be emailed to providers to give parents.

-The Mental Health Fair has been scheduled for February 8, 2007.

Next LAC meeting will be Wednesday, October 11 at 8:00 Parent Support and 8:30 council meeting.