

**Promise Partners Committee Meeting Notes**  
Youth and Family

**COMMITTEE:** Youth and Families  
**MEETING DATE:** June 14, 2016

**CHAIRPERSON:** Jessica Rayment  
**LOCATION:** Micah House

**PRESENT:**

Lorelle Mueting (PMP/HFS)  
Terri Dowell (Community Volunteer)  
Tiffani Pinkerton (Heartland Family Service)  
Deb Kissel (Zion Recovery Services)  
Christy Hagen (Trailblazers/PMP/PCA Iowa)  
Angela Moerke (TSI)  
Colleen Winey (WCCA Early Head Start)  
Angela Murray (Amerigroup Iowa)

Dave Smith (Trailblazers)  
Cindy Goodin (Youth Emergency Services)  
Dianna Reinsch (VNA Pott Co PH)  
Sonya Fittje (Hope 4 Iowa Crisis Line)  
Clarrissa Newman (Lakin Campus)  
Donna Schoeppner (Bluffs Downtown/Live Well)  
Emily McDermott (WCCA Early Head Start)

**Introductions and Announcements:**

Cindy Goodin (YES) – There is now funding for youth in CB ages 18-20 years old for assistance to get into their own homes.

Deb Kissel (Zion Recovery Services) – provided Iowa specific marijuana and prescription medication abuse information.

Colleen Winey (WCCA Early Head Start) – Currently recruiting for preschool programing ages 0-5 years of age. Please refer any families to Colleen or Emily McDermott.

Clarissa Newman (Lakin Campus) – Back to School Extravaganza will be on 8/19, looking for organizations to hold informational booths

Ashlee Folsom (Planned Parenthood) – Recipient of the Teen Pregnancy Prevention Grant. Has developed a Youth Advisory Board to get youth inside on sex education and planning of program

Lorelle Mueting (PMP / Heartland Family Service) – June 27<sup>th</sup> is the next PMP Coalition meeting.

Dave Smith (Trailblazers) – Independence Day Celebration will by June 26<sup>th</sup> from 4-6pm. This event is free for families to participate. They will be planting the pumpkins in the next few weeks.

Sonya Fittje (Hope 4 Iowa Crisis Line) – just finished their first 12 months of taking calls on the crisis line. She now has posters with tear off crisis line numbers on them.

**Committee Positions for 2016-2017**

- Chairperson – Cindy Goodin
- Co-Chairperson – Lorelle Mueting
- Secretary / Note-taker – Tiffani Pinkerton and Emily McDermott

- Steering Committee – Cindy Goodin, Lorelle Muetting, Terri Dowel, Tiffani Pinkerton, Deb Kissel, Dave Smith, Emily McDermott, Colleen Winey and Ashlee Folsom

**Guest Speaker – Donna Schoeppner, Event Coordinator for Bluffs Downtown / Live Well**

- PCDC – merger of Bluffs Downtown and Live Well CB / Keep CB Beautiful
- Main Street Farmers Market – Thursdays from 5-8pm
  - Non profit organizations have tables to share resources
- Community gardens – all 90 plots have sold. They also provide education around fresh food and cooking.
- Flower baskets around the downtown CB area.
- Shoe recycling drive – micro economic system of preparing and repairing shoes
- Proud 2BCB – clean up project, recognition of people making improvements to their areas
- All Lit UP Bike Ride – June 25<sup>th</sup> at 9pm
- Shamrock Shuffle – held in March as a Teammates Mentoring Program
- Classic Car Show – September 17<sup>th</sup>
- Clean Sweep – groups volunteer to clean up community before the Celebrate CB event.
- For more information on the organizations or their events you can go to the Live Well or Bluffs Downtown website or contact Donna at [donna@bluffsdowntown.com](mailto:donna@bluffsdowntown.com) or 712-396-2471
- They are still in process of the merging of the organizations. They are always looking for Advisory Committee members and community improvement ideas.

**Small Group Work**

**Future projects -** The group generated a list of possible speakers for future meetings: absenteeism with HS kids and graduation rates, update on the ordinance of rental inspections, law enforcement an overview of community policing monitoring model, tenant rights, drug trends/synthetic drugs, education and outreach of UP Museum, human trafficking, homeless children and youth (housing resources, barriers to housing and how many apartments are available), value added benefits, bike rodeo or something that addresses topics in a interactive and fun way.

Marketing and Promotion of Youth & Families Committee – This group reviewed the current emailing distribution list. They wanted to send out a Survey Monkey to the list to find out more information on what people are looking for, if the meeting time is convenient and who else should be involved in meetings.

**Comments from the Coalition**

**NEXT MEETING: NO MEETING IN JULY OR AUGUST**

Next Committee Meeting: Tuesday, September 13<sup>th</sup> at 3:00-4:00PM at the Micah House

Next Steering Committee Meeting: Tuesday, September 6<sup>th</sup> at 9 AM, 445 Glen Avenue

Meeting minutes will be posted at [www.promisepartners.org](http://www.promisepartners.org).