

## Mayor's Commission for Children Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, June 11<sup>th</sup>, 8 am

Health Dept Conference Room 139

227 E Chestnut Expressway, Spfld MO 6502

Commission members present: Trysta Herzog, Jennifer McClure, Bria Coale, Christy Davis, Missy Riley, Chris Jarratt, Linda Saturno

Commission members absent: Shara Cash, Susie Henderson

Advisory Council Present: Pat Gartland, Dr. Elizabeth Andrews, Amy Chenoweth, Alexis Brown, Jan Fisk, Dr. Doug McNeal, Carol Wooten, Linda Ramey-Greiwe, John Chastain,

Advisory Council absent: Dr. Jennifer Baker, Dr. Denise Fredrick, Gerry Lee, Morey Mechlin, Mike White, Dr. Laurie Edmondson, Kimberly Shinn-Brown, Dr. Kayce Morton

Jennifer McClure, chairman of the Mayor's Commission for Children called the meeting to order at 8:05. Trysta Herzog made a motion to accept the minutes from the April meeting, Bria Coale seconded that motion. Minutes approve. There was no Commission meeting in May.

Jennifer introduced Clay Goddard, Director of the Greene county Health Department, and Katie Towns, Assistant Director of the Greene County Health Department.

Clay began by giving an overview of the various priorities/services of the Health Department. The department is 146 years old. Part of the Health Department's mission is the emphasis on Women and Children. Katie talked about the WIC program and vaccination program. The Nest Partnership was explained on who is eligible and the services provided to newborns. Discussion about how Family Connect could enhance that program with a universal approach. With the expansion of pre-K by SPS, Family Connect should get more families connected to resources in Greene County,

Clay also answered questions after showing updates data slides on Tobacco use in Greene County, the state and the US. The City Council will be hearing the Tobacco 21 initiative at a first reading on Monday night. It is coming out the Policy committee to council. Clay is not expecting much opposition since we are seeing an uptick in use among teens. The Mayor's Commission for Children was one of the entities that supported this initiative with a letter of support back in September 2018.

Meeting adjourned at 9 am. Next meeting will be back at the Chamber at 8 am July 9<sup>th</sup>.