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**Tuesday, July 28, 2015 at 4:30 p.m.**

**Jo Daviess County Health Department Conference Room**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**Present:** Jan Barker, Marty Soat, Lori Stangl, Hendrica Regez, Char Kennedy and Diane Reinhold

Minutes recorded by Susan Schultz

**Absent:** Gayle Doersam, Dave Decker, Julie Bryan, Sharon Gillip and Bill Bingham

**Approval of the May 26, 2015 Minutes** – Lori asked all members present to read over the minutes. Diane Reinhold made the motion to approve the minutes with Jan Barker seconding. All members present in favor.

**Unfinished Business:**

Article assignments – Hendrica wrote a great article for July. Diane will do August and Jan will write an article about the HEAL Act for September. Send all articles to Lori first before it goes into the newspaper.

Lori reminded the Coalition that any presentations given that you represent the JDCHD OPC or market the JDCHD OPC send her a written summary.

Hendrica stated that she is actively working on recruitment efforts.

Earth Day Fest is scheduled for April 20, 2016. We are also planning to participate in the Health Summit in March, 2016.

**New Business:**

Midwest Medical Center Walk/Run is October 3, 2015 coinciding with Oktoberfest. The kids run is scheduled for 8:30 am and the adults run is at 9:00 am on the bike trail under the bridge. The cost is \$25.00 per person. All proceeds after expenses will go to the food pantry. The entry fee includes a ticket to the Oktoberfest activities.

Upcoming article assignments: Char will write October's; Marty November's and Diane will do December's.

Lori went over the number of visits to the JDCHD OPC website – total 277 views; 98 unique IPs, 6 likes on Facebook.

Marty updated the Coalition on MMC + Me. They held events, played games at the Relay for Life. The participation was good with 30 – 40 people playing each time. Midwest Medical's kid camps were well attended this year.

Hendrica reports that her presentation to the JDEC Democratic Communications Committee went well. Instead of handing out candy at the Elizabeth parade last weekend, they handed out popcorn instead.

Report of BMI data presentations to the schools – Bill is still committed on presenting to the Galena School Board, Sharon has done the presentation at the East Dubuque school, Jan has presented to the Warren school and they have also signed the HEAL Act. Julie presented to River Ridge but needs someone present to Scales Mound. Dave has committed to the Stockton school.

**Other:**

Charlotte gave the Coalition members a copy of a rough draft of the “Galena Goes Garden Green” check list for National Food Day which is on October 24, 2015. The Coalition gave suggestions.

Diane is working with Peg Dittmar from Midwest Medical looking for grants for education programs such as nutrition, heart, health and living with COPD. The grants would help pay for travel cost and material cost. Lori stated that this would tie in with our 3 community needs for IPLAN which are Cardiovascular, Diabetes and Obesity.

Hendrica spoke about more fresh vegetables are needed at the Galena Farmer's Market. She would like to see the Farmer's Market expand. The summer hours are 7:00 to noon at the Market House and winter hours are from 4:00 – 6:00 pm at the Galena Center for the Arts on Summit St.

The next JDCHD OPC meeting is September 22, 2015 at 4:30 pm.

The meeting adjourned at 5:19 pm.