

2024 Conference Committee Meeting

April 29, 2024

08:00 am- 9:00 am Mountain Time

Attended:

**Mary McGowan
Noemi Contreras
Amy Sysaath
Alex Wolff
Allison Day
Christopher Markov**

**Darlene Brace
Jill Crewes
Erin Coughlin
Samuel Stephenson
Randall Radetsky
Kimberly Bryant**

**Terry Levy
Samantha Radetsky
Sharon Cacciato
Dr. Stewart
Joseph Kleman**

Updates

1. The registration is open!
 - a. Registered to Date- 33
 - b. Early bird ends on May 15th.
 - c. Rooms at hotel are 35% filled.
 - d. Only 6 exhibit tables left (being held for sponsorships)

Discussion

2. Parent & Caregiver Subcommittee update
 - a. Want to make a calm environment
 - b. Have affirmations
 - c. Sensory corner
 - d. Working on massage therapists for chair massages
 - i. Heard back from two massage schools
 - ii. One cannot volunteer because students are not licensed
 - iii. The other directed us to a list of trauma trained massage therapists; they may want compensation
 - iv. Mary says David has contacts with massage therapists and would like to bring them in on his own
 - e. Want to have an artist who does a live performance
 - i. Erin has someone who could do live painting; not performance style
 - ii. Mary comments we don't need live performance so people don't feel pressured to watch
 - f. Also want to bring cornhole and yard games
 - g. Want to do giveaway baskets
 - i. Donations from group?
 - ii. Joseph could giveaway one of his 3 session packages of zoom classes
 - iii. Parent self care basket?
 - iv. Darlene is a photographer and is willing to donate a photo session
 - h. 15 people have applied for parent scholarships
 - i. Denver will not be giving parents scholarships

- ii. Dr. Stewart's company will donate \$\$ for parent scholarships; asked we reach out to him offline
- 3. Networking Opportunities Subcommittee Update
 - a. Have a couple ideas to come up with incentives for winners of networking games
 - i. Sent out letters to local restaurants
 - b. Networking scavenger hunt to motivate people to mingle
 - c. Could do a selfie booth
 - i. Sharon has the funny items for that
 - d. Therapist who is also a comedian
 - i. Dr. Stewart has a connection and will check on it
- 4. Playroom Subcommittee Update
 - a. Meeting the 13th of May at 8AM MT
- 5. Silent Auction
 - a. We have 3 items so far
 - b. Send out the Ask letter to companies
- 6. Need a color printer someone ca loan to us
 - a. We can buy the ink; just need the printer
 - b. Just print a few handouts
 - c. Sharon has a printer we could use; she will get back to us
- 7. Parent Mentor Volunteers
 - a. Let us know if you'd like to be one
 - b. Used when people become upset at conference
 - c. Randall, Darlene, Samantha, Kimberly and Jill would like to volunteer!
- 8. Please sign disclosure forms
- 9. Amy will be sending out an email asking for headshots, asking questions, and getting some of your info. Please respond to her when you can!
- 10. Amy S. will be sending out a promo kit
- 11. Jules Alvarado could not be present but is currently in talks with three organizations and will meet with them and get back to us next meeting.

Action Items

Action	Responsible	Status
Look into info from Child & Youth Mental Health Treatment Act	Samantha R.	No new updates; still looking to book a follow up meeting but schedules have been busy
Find connections with local TV for conference promotion	Erin C., Jill C.	No updates now but will have some next meeting. Amy can help by writing press releases
Military Base Contact	Randall	Randall has been getting the run around but isn't giving up!
Parents to add to committee	All	Had first meeting with lots of ideas. Had idea to have some mental health resource available. Calm environment with twinkle lights, sensory toy library, creating a positive and peaceful space. Asking for bean bags, comfy furniture, etc. from local people to borrow for the weekend. An individual has volunteered to sponsor. Kimberly Bryant has joined the committee.

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Action	Responsible	Status
Play Room	Amy P.	Amy P. is not here, Amy S. can help drum up some excitement when ready.
Social media	Amy S.	Amy S. from ATTACH will work on a social media campaign and provide a guide for others to share.
Create flyer for conference committee to share	Amy S.	
One-Pager with medical track workshop info	Amy S.	COMPLETE
Obtain a 360 video of café	Stacey	
Reach out to contacts on Child Welfare	Jill C.	COMPLETE Jill talked to a few nonprofit orgs to see if anyone was interested in getting on the conference committee. Ad info, scholarship info was sent to an org that does a lot of work with foster families and they agreed to share with their network.
Check into Kids Crossing	Sharon C.	COMPLETE Sharon has put out the word and people have committed to spread the word to other agencies, staff, foster parents. She is waiting to hear back on commitments about staff and parents/caregivers to attend
Connect on Rocky Mountain Health Plan for involvement	Chris M.	COMPLETE Chris and Tracy will be meeting with Meg on Feb 29 th
Need Photographer	All	COMPLETE Asking committee to check with resources for a volunteer photographer for the conference.
Volunteers to set up		COMPLETE Amy P., David, Darlene, Sharon, Amy W. have agreed to help with set up.

Sub-Committee Updates

Sub-Committee Name	Members
Parent & Caregiver	Jill Crewes, Erin Coughlin
Networking Opportunities	Sharon Cacciato, Darlene Brace
Welcome Reception	Amy Peterson, Dr. Warrick Stewart, Chris Markov
Playroom	Amy Peterson, Allison Day, Jill Crewes, Mansi V. Lakhyani, Shelli Rose