



MEETING MINUTES PARENT EDUCATION WORKGROUP
June 12, 2008

Present: Sally Weyer, Sara Baird, Mary Scamman, Alice Atkinson, Laurie Nash

1. There were no new 3rd quarter reports to review. Laurie attended the Infant Mental Health Consultation meeting the morning of June 12th. The topic was working with families being investigated for child abuse. They used vignettes to discuss these cases. It was a very interesting and helpful session.
2. No program has submitted their application for peer review yet.
3. Laurie distributed examples of the new evaluation tools that are required by the state. The work group discussed how the programs are not pleased with these tools because they are similar to tools they have used in the past and learned while using them that they were not helpful. The bottom line is that the Legislature wants to know how much impact they are getting for the money they are spending. Some of the programs would have massive amounts of paperwork for each playgroup or session with entrance and exit questionnaires for all participants. Laurie will ask the state committee (Janet Gartin) for an exception so our programs can report the same findings using different tools.
4. There will not be a July meeting for this work group. The board meeting will be July 10th. There won't be any new reports to review. Sara Baird will email a reminder about the July meeting's cancellation.

The next meeting will be August 14th.

Respectfully submitted by Sara Baird.