

**Heartland Healthy Neighborhood (HHN)
Topeka, Kansas**

Minutes of the June 14, 2010 Meeting

MEMBERS PRESENT

Alan Apel, Alison Smith, Bob Trepinski, Cara Smith, Gary Caruthers, Jack Gray, Joe Hodgson, Kevin Kerle, Kevin Siek, Larry Hinton, Lenora Kinzie, Liesl Hays, Marianna Northern, Matt Gassen, Michael Bradley, Nancy Johnson, Roberta Wirth, Shelly Buhler, Tara Dimick, Tim McManus, Alice Weingartner, Barbara McCandless, DeAnn Escalante, Heath Glenn, Jack Gray, Kristie Caldwell, Jamie Hancock, Janlyn Nesbett-Tucker, Ken Kerle, Junie Euoing, Sharron Joseph, Lisa Martin, Max Wilson, Ruby Susan, Jen Montgomery, Tiffany Logue, Charlie Black, J.P. Warnock, Ruby Collins.

Meeting called to order by Nancy Johnson at 11:55 am,

STRUCTURE

Introduction of new plays, discussion of new and current plays progress and needs, then break out into play groups.

COMMUNICATION

Kevin Siek gave an overview of Topeka Independent Living Resource Center, Inc. (TIRLC), and Michael Bradley talked about The Villages’.

Matt Gassen gave an update on the Community Gardens project.

Jim Ogle talked about the Bikeway study, bike trails, and the support from the community regarding bike safety.

Ralph Krumins, Karl Fundenberger, Brian Austin and Alan Apel all commented on bicycling and the benefits of cycling.

David Thurbon talked about the Bicycle Plan and Federal Transportation Planning Funds and gave an update on the Complete Streets project.

Larry Hinton gave an overview of the Advisory Board.

Nancy Johnson talked about two of the focal points the Leadership team and the Advisory Board are working on.

Everyone in attendance was asked to share what they are doing to make Topeka the Healthiest State Capital.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nancy reported the next Heartland Visioning...the Conversation Continues will be held Thursday, July 8, at the College Hill Apartments Clubhouse from 5-7 pm. This is a non-formal open forum to discuss visioning ideas for the Topeka community.

Gary Caruthers announced a meeting with the City Council about the State Smoking Restriction Law to be in effect July 1.

Tara Dimick gave a brief description of Wild Life Internet Program that should be kicking off by August.

Kevin Seik announced the US Senate will be voting on jobs bill and the availability of Medicaid funds if the bill is passed.

Nancy reminded everyone to sign-up for the Shawnee County's Largest Workout, July 15th in Yager Stadium at Moore Bowl, Washburn University.

Ken Kerle announced a Statewide Mental Health Coalition to be chaired

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned 1:20 pm.

Next meeting July12, 2010 at 11:45 at YMCA-Downtown Branch, 421 S. Van Buren

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