

MEETING MINUTES

JUNE 18, 2009

ATTENDEES:

MCFTB Director: Perry L. Ford

Family Readiness Program Trainer: Sharon Altemoos

L.I.N.K.S. Trainer: Amber Bilderain

Readiness & Deployment Support Trainer: Secret Brown

Readiness & Deployment Support Trainer: Lee Risper

1st Tanks FRO: Jany Wasdin

3rd BN 4th Mar FRO: Gilbert Cardenas

Children, Youth & Teen Program: Lindy Seto

New Parent Support Program: Donna Templeton

Marine Corps Communications Electronics School FRO: David Plaster

Headquarters Battalion FRO: Kathleen Schmidt

MCCS Area Coordinator: Niki McBain

Armed Services YMCA: Chris Alvarado

Single Marine Program: LaVonne Lessard

Exceptional Family Member Program: Tanisha Walker

3rd Marines 7th Marines FRO: Lori Rogers

2nd Marines 7th Marines FRO: Katie Clark

Marine Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Squadron 3 FRO: Gisela Lemon

3rd Marines 11th Marines FRO: Deborah Lopez

Naval Hospital Twentynine Palms Deployment Health Clinic: LCDR Dittrich

Religious Ministries Directorate: Chaplin Targonski

Religious Ministries Directorate: Beth Glass

1st Marines 7th Marines FRO: Ruby Zunino

7th Marines Regiment FRO: Denise Cullum

Focus Project: Tracy Thompson

MCFTB Admin Assistant: Monica Martinez

MCFTB

- Meeting chaired by Perry Ford.
- The Marine Corps Family Team Building Council, assemble each quarter to insure we are providing the essentials to the Marines and Families.
- Mr. Ford has proposed some meeting guidelines for PDA's and Cell Phones.
 - Thank you leaving them off is possible
 - Or leave them on "vibrate"
 - Or please exit the room to take calls outside
- Family Readiness Officers/Marine Corps Family Team Building staffs do not rate a security clearance per HQMC.
- Currently working on getting another LINKS trainer for unit specific sessions.
- The Family Readiness Support Council meetings are required to meet quarterly. Are we waiting to address issues until meeting?
- Mr. Ford suggested a vote of consensus of those in favor of meeting more than just quarterly for the Family Readiness Support Council meetings. (No suggestions were made at this time)
- Are we offering programs that are essential to the Marines and families? If not we need to find out what we need to offer to this base, we need to focus for the next three years from now. Please send your concerns to perry.1.ford@usmc.mil or call at 830-3123.

EXCEPTIONAL FAMILY MEMBER PROGRAM

- Entering the Permanent Change of Station season.

NAVAL HOSPITAL TWENTYNINE PALMS DEPLOYMENT HEALTH CLINIC

- Naval Hospital Twentynine Palms Deployment Health Clinic is currently only seeing Active Duty personnel.
- If you have a spouse who has questions about Deployment Health Clinic, we can assist with resources and materials.
- Currently have three case managers.

RELIGIOUS MINISTRIES DIRECTORATE

- Chaplin Targonski introduced himself as the new Religious Ministries Director.
- Beth Glass was also introduced as the Supervisory Religious Program Officer.
- Chaplin Targonski's voiced a concern that he would like to see more debriefings for the Marines and their Families when returning from deployments for most do not get long term care (PTSD, TBI).

MCCS AREA COORDINATOR

- Niki McBain introduced herself as the new MCCS Area Coordinator.

Children, Youth and Teen Program

- Wait lists for Childcare please refer to SPS at 830-3227 x221.
- Are currently in need of FCC provider.
- Do not have any other resources outside of the base for childcare for ages 18 months and under. In the process of addressing this for the base.
- Will be sending out the SPS calendar to everyone.

FOCUS PROJECT

- Is currently offering 8 session module workshops to Marines and Sailor families facing challenges of a family member's deployment?
- Do not see individuals on a one on one basis.
- If multiple sessions are needed, you must qualify from guidelines and you can acquire these guidelines from the Focus office at any time.

ARMED SERVICES YMCA

- Silent Auction fundraiser on May 15, 2009 was an awesome success.
- Still need more chaperone for the summer Camp to Big Bear, CA.

READINESS & DEPLOYMENT SUPPORT

- Passed out schedule of workshops offering for the rest of the year.
- Conducting a Kids-N-Deployment in August, Kids-N-Reunion in October.

SINGLE MARINE PROGRAM

- Passed out calendar of events for the rest of the year.
- The program is moving along great, numbers have doubled and tripled.
- Recreation center is open until 10pm.
- GEO bachelors are also able to utilize program.
- Free shuttle bus starting from 1700-2300 and Saturday and Sunday from 1000-2300.

NEW PARENT SUPPORT PROGRAM

- Placed booklets on table about; getting into home to help prevent going to CPS and FAP.
- Free home visits to parents with children under five years old to help with parenting skills.
- Provide Baby Basics classes with dolls and empathy belt.
- Will do briefs with units and commands.

FAMILY READINESS PROGRAM

- Waiting for flyers from Marketing to distribute.
- Kicked off Family Readiness Volunteer training this Saturday went great.
- This week currently in the middle of a lunch box session.

L.I.N.K.S.

- LINKS for Parents on April 4, 2009 in Orange County went great, had 12 parents participate. We are the first one on the west coast to provide this training.
- LINKS for Marines on April 24, 2009, went great.
- LINKS for Spouses have been going great have had 96 spouses since January.
- Having an issue with getting teens to attend.
- No unit specific session are available yet.

FAMILY READINESS OFFICERS

- Head Quarters Battalion, Kathleen Schmidt: Received information from Mrs. Catlin in regards to PII training, need to contact Racheal Abernathy for class information or online training.
- 7th Marines Regiment, Denise Cullum: Unit is preparing for deployment.
- 1st Marines 7th Battalion, Ruby Zunino: Unit is returning in a few months

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING TO BE HELD 17 SEPTEMBER 09, BUILDING 1551. PLEASE SEND AT LEAST ONE REPRESENTATIVE FROM YOUR UNIT.