

# Breastfeeding Coalition

## Mission Statement

The Healthy Kent 2020 Breastfeeding Coalition exists to improve the health and well being of infants and families through education, outreach and advocacy to promote and support breastfeeding and the use of human milk.

Minutes of Meeting: September 28, 2015

**Attendees:** Kelli Damstra (GVSU), Katie McNabnay (Spectrum), Laura Wagner (Cherry St MIHP), Miriel Smith (La Leche League), Valeria Guzman (Strong Beginnings), Colby McNamara (CLC), Annie Jones (Metro Health), Stephanie Zimbleman (ATSU Medical Student), Brooke Boer (MSU-CHM Medical Student), Pat Tucker (KCHD), Lauren Valentine (Community Rep), Tony R. Jolliffi (Strong Beginnings)

## Information and Sharing

-Introductions: Done

### I. Minutes of last meeting:

### II. Committee Reports:

#### a. Events (Lauren)

- i. Art Prize – there are designated lactation areas but they did not get put on the map. They will get posted on our Facebook. They are: Fountain Street Church, Gina's Boutique (Monroe Ctr), and Sanchez.
  1. Will check with Fountain St. about offering t-shirts for donation 1 or 2 days during Art Prize
  2. Hopcat – Nursing in Nature painting by our own Miriel Smith
  3. Amway Grand Monroe Lobby has some lactation related entries as well.
- ii. Baby Buggy Walk on Sept 12 went great. Thanks to Kelli Damstra & her GVSU students for their help!

#### b. Education (Bonita)

- i. Breakfast Break for Breastfeeding – looking at another date. Nov/Dec – Hector Cruz still willing to come

#### c. Advocacy/Media (Katie McNabnay)

### III. 2016 Leadership Nominations

- a. Coming up soon

### IV. Member sharing

- a. Strong Fathers education (Tony Jolliffi)
  - i. 1 hour presentation related to breastfeeding – requesting a rep from HKBC
  - ii. Dickinson Elementary Oct 13, 15, or 20; Harrison Park Elementary Nov 10,12, 17; MLK Elementary Dec 8,10, 15; 6-8pm T/Th
  - iii. Kelli Damstra will follow up with Tony about participating

### V. Shannon McKenny Shubert, Michigan Breastfeeding Network: Coffective Resource Platform

- a. Oct 31 will have results report of the Breastfeeding Survey
- b. Be sure to register your organization with the Coffective app

- c. MDHHS got CDC funding to work on enforcement/implementation of BF laws using Business Case for BF
- d. SHRM Chapter Mtg Conference – HR managers throughout the state will be coming to GR Oct 15-17; BF law compliance will be a topic at the conference
- e. Quarterly Webinar series archived for Coalition leaders available on MiBFN website

**VI.** Adjourn: 1:15pm

**Next Meeting: November 26, 2015; 11:30-1:00, Kent County Health Dept, Lake Superior Conference Room**

**Minutes recorded by: Annie Jones, Secretary**