

**Medina County Family First Council  
Bylaws Committee Meeting  
April 11, 2008**

**Members Present:** Lynne Castele, Vince DeGeorge, Debbie Kubena-Yatsko, Judy Leuthaeuser, Pat Robertson and Christine Ruf and Nick Solar

**Chairperson:** Nick Solar

Nick Solar welcomed everyone to the meeting. Pat Robertson made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 14, 2008 meeting. Lynne Castele seconded. The motion passed.

A request was received from the Public Relations Committee on who can speak on **BEHALF** or **ABOUT** Family First Council. This is addressed in Section 5.3 of the current bylaws:

Section 5.3. - AUTHORITY OF COUNCIL MEMBERS: Individual **Council** members have authority only when acting as a **Council** legally in session. The **Council** shall not be bound in any way by any statement or action on the part of any individual member or employee, except when such statement or action is in pursuance of specific instructions or authorities granted by action of the **Council**.

Christine Ruf requested clarification on the Early Childhood County Collaborative Group status as a standing committee or an ad hoc committee. Discussion ensued about Family First Council's umbrella or guidance and responsibilities.

The Bylaws were projected onto a screen so all could see the proposed changes. The committee discussed, revisited and suggested changes to:

**Section 7.1.7**

No progress.

**Section 7.2.1**

Pat Robertson suggested the following:

According to HB 289, the Administrative (Executive) Committee shall be composed of at least the following individuals:

The director of the Alcohol, Drug Addiction, and Mental Health (ADAMH) Board of Medina County  
The health commissioner, or the commissioner's designee, of the Medina County Health District  
The director of Medina County Job and Family Services  
The superintendent of Medina County Board of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities  
The superintendent of the local school district with the largest number of pupils residing in Medina County  
A school superintendent representing all other school districts in Medina County  
A representative from the Family Advisory Committee who does not have a family member employed by an agency represented on Council

In addition, our Council has determined that the following individuals will also serve on the Administrative Committee:

A representative from the Medina County Board of Commissioners, our administrative agent  
A representative from the Medina County Juvenile Court  
The Family First Council Chair  
The Family First Council Chair Elect  
The previous Family First Council Chair

The committee will start reviewing Section 7.2.1 bullet points on May 9, 2008 at 8:30 a.m. at Medina Hospital. Lynne Castele made a motion to adjourn. Debbie Kubena-Yatsko seconded. The meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by,  
Jayme McCourt