

## **Orono Healthy Youth Board Minutes**

**Date:** 2-11-10

**Place:** Discovery Center

**Coordinator:** Melanie DeLuca

**Chair:** Catherine Russin (not in attendance – school field trip)

**OHY Members Present:** Melanie DeLuca (Coordinator/CE Director), Martha VandeVen (Orono Board of Ed.), Mitzi Overland (Early Childhood), Michele Kunz (Dist. 287 repr.), Kelly Goddard (CAPSH), Leah Weycher (WeCan), Laura Iverson (Promise Fellow), Ted Knutson (Befrienders, Rotary, VFW), Marvin Johnson (City of Independence), Margaret Buschbom (community member), Kyle Russeth (Orono Police Department)

**Collaborative Partners:** Cheryl Schweitzer (Hennepin County)

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING:** March. 11th

Motion for Additions and Approval of Dec. 10, 2009 Minutes

### **Promise Fellow**

Laura Iverson shared information on numbers of students served and progress of the program. Additional mentors are needed to help during the after school homework time. A handout with more details was distributed.

### **Asset Building for Athletic/Sport Programs**

A meeting was scheduled with representatives of area athletic associations to discuss common issues and present them with resources regarding – Asset Building, the 5 Promises, and the School District's Character Initiative. Resource materials were prepared to connect the work of athletic groups to positive youth development strategies. The materials are posted on the OHY website and anyone is encouraged to distribute them to coaches, parents or athletic program organizers.

### **Promise Fellow Application for 2010-11**

Information regarding the application was shared and OHY representatives signed a document of support to accompany the application.

**Updates and Resources were shared on the following topics – many of these will be available on the OHY website or a copy can be obtained from Melanie**

- Sparks research and information from Search Institute
- Switch/Media Wise materials that will continue to be available through Search Institute now that the National Institute on Media and the Family has discontinued their work as a separate organization
- Action Strategies for Transforming Communities
- Teen Voice 2009 – The Untapped Strength of 15-year olds
- Risk Factors and Should I be Concerned Fact Sheets on Early Childhood Mental Health
- Children's Mental Health Disorder Fact Sheets which are available to download at from the website at [www.macmh.org](http://www.macmh.org)

**Next Meeting: Mar. 11**

**Motion to Adjourn:**