

Middle School PAL Faculty Advisor Meeting
October 6, 2011, 8:15 – 10:15 a.m.
Flap Jack, Frandor



Welcome

If you did not attend the meeting, I will be sending some information to you via REMC, but also an email with minutes.

- **Introductions/Sharing**
Advisors present included: Jill Campbell (Otto), Stephanie Grabiell (Holt), Anne McKinney (Williamston), Lora Pence (St. Thomas Aquinas), Jeremiah Baynes w/ Kristin Hood (Waverly), Susan Fisher (Haslett), Deb Farzam (Laingsburg).
- **Housekeeping/Announcements**
- **PN Grant Availability—Ken Dail**
Unfortunately, due to severe funding cuts, there will be no grants available until spring.

Old Business

- **Missing PAL Paperwork**
I need an Activity Report from Bath and Hayes; a Feedback Form from Bath and Hayes; and an Exchange Day Form from Bath, Hayes, MacDonald, Otto, and Williamston if you participated in exchange day.
- **Other**

New Business

- **PAL Paperwork for 2011-12—Work Plans**
Several of you turned in your work plans for 2011-12, but many of you have not. I've included one with this packet or email. Please note: We are now funded strictly through Substance Abuse Prevention dollars, so it is MANDATORY that all PAL groups do one ATOD prevention activity! Doing "Above the Influence" will count toward that activity requirement.
- **Planning for 2011-12 School Year—PAL Calendar & Special Days**
Note training dates, with addition of December 2, 2011.
**Also note that because of the addition of a training, you may bring up to 15 students. Please register ASAP so that we can order materials.*
- **Middle School PAL Training—October 28 or November 4, 2011 (added December 2, 2011)**
 - Survey and Selection
 - Advisor Sharing

- **PAL Exchange Day—November or December 2011**
This is an activity you arrange on your own. Please note the advisor list and make arrangements.
- **Topical Trainings:**
 - Peer Mediation & Restorative Justice
 - Bullying Prevention
 - Most Teens Don't/Above the Influence
 - Reach Out Now/Teach in

Based on our discussion, we will be doing peer mediation (as a strategy for RTI and peer to peer conflict (not bullying behavior). We will also be doing a training that combines “Above the Influence” (regarding substance use) with “Above the Influence” for bullying behavior. More information will follow.

- **PAL Website—Comments and Suggestions**
- **Problem Solving and Concerns**
- **New Advisors**

Closure

- **Dates for future Advisor Meetings**
Our next meeting will be on February 2, 2012, at Flap Jack (in Frandor), 8:15 – 10:15 a.m.