

**MSA Council Meeting  
September 13, 2010**

Attending: Shirley, Emily, Lindsey, Teresa, Cornelia, Cayla, DM

Discussion occurred around the differences between Visioneering Alliance and the local councils. The following questions were addressed.

**What does the Council do that is different than Visioneering?**

- Visioneering worked primarily on ECBG
- Council works on services and service areas for early childhood

**Focus of the Council?**

Sedgwick

- Bring out the best in all children
- Not just children with special needs
- All children - pre-birth to 8 years old
- Doesn't have a focus on business community; that is why we started with Visioneering

Sumner

- Birth to high school
- Reporting out and sharing information
- Now a focus group on early childhood, under the children's council
- All children, all though the primary focus is with special needs

Harvey

- Recently have used KELC dollars to do strategic planning; worked with WSU and are finishing the final touches to the plan
- Mary Beasley is the new chair of the Harvey ICC
- Typically have been reporting out and now will have work groups

Butler

- Have completed 4-5 strategic plans
- Continues to work the plan
- Has an advisory group that oversees the Smart Start and ECBG activities
- Early childhood

**What are the recommendations from each of the counties?**

Sedgwick

- Need to unite as one group; need to have one voice to work for early childhood
- We can adapt the goals and objectives of Visioneering easily to the objectives of the Council
- Strong feeling that both meetings are not needed
- Sense of not accomplishing anything at Visioneering; rather moving forward with local Council plan
- Would prefer to spend time with local Council rather than Visioneering

- Repetition of meetings

Sumner

- Had a meeting scheduled within the county and will discuss

Harvey

- Had a meeting scheduled this week within the county and will discuss

Butler

- Would prefer to work county strategic plan and come together as a MSA around specific issues as they arise

**What would the MSA Council be willing to do if Visioneering is no longer?**

- Be the link to Visioneering
- Call folks together around important early childhood issues

Next Visioneering meeting

- Invite Suzie to share with the group - update and overview
- Get feedback from each of the counties
- Follow-up reports from each council

Next MSA Council meeting

- Monday, October 18<sup>th</sup> 12:30 - 2 p.m. at United Way