



Visionering Health Care Alliance Meeting September 20, 2007 Meeting Notes

Attendees: Jon Rosell, Joe Davison, Ed Raymond, Eddie Bannon, John Combs, Betty Graham, Ron Whiting, Jeri Yañz, Maria Engelhardt, Kathy Thompson, Deborah Donaldson, Mathew Mount, Jack Brown, Andi Atwater, Colleen Parker, Charles Peer, Denny Bender, Jo Templin, Sandy Pickert, Veri Niedens, Karen Fillenworth, Heather Bell, Claudia Blackburn, David Landwehr, Carey Craig, Steve Coen, Naomi Strong, Zita Mason, Shawn Mott, Kathy Sexton, John Clevenger, Shelley Duncan, Charlotte Foster, Judy Worrell, Dyan Thornton, Bill Bruning

Leadership Team: Anne Nelson, Claudia Blackburn, Colleen Parker, Denny Bender, Doren Fredrickson, Hoyt Hillman, Jack Brown, Jessica Tarbell, Kathy Sexton, Kathy Thompson, Mary Fusco, Mary Koehn, Patti Moser, Ron Whiting, Susan Bumsted

The Purpose of the Healthcare Alliance meeting

- Visionering Health Care Alliance Overview
- Does Wichita Need a Health Care Coalition?

Visionering Health Care Alliance Overview

Kathy Sexton presented an overview of Visionering Wichita and the Health Care Alliance. A detailed alliance summary as well as previous meeting documents can be found on the Visionering website (<http://www.visioneringwichita.com/sa-healthcare.cfm>). For the most part the alliance meets quarterly, however, the next Alliance meeting will be October 19th. Debbie Donaldson has coordinated the next meeting on Oral Health. Those attendees not already active in the alliance were encouraged to join.

Does Wichita Need a Health Care Coalition?

William L. Bruning, President & CEO, Mid-America Coalition on Health Care, Kansas City gave a presentation on their coalition and raised the question whether this would also work in south-central Kansas. The Mid-America Coalition is a collaborative effort between employers and health care providers. It is an employer driven coalition. For background information on the coalition as well as their mission and current projects visit their website, www.machc.org. Mr. Bruning referred to collaboration as a “contact sport”. It is not easy to openly discuss and tackle “tough issues”. In order to be successful, partnerships must be established and the employer recognized as the most important component. View Mr. Bruning’s PowerPoint presentation on the Visionering website at: <http://www.visioneringwichita.com/minutes/hc/Mld-America%20Coalition%20Presentation%20092007.pdf>

Facilitated Table Discussion

Facilitated table discussion followed Mr. Bruning’s presentation. Questions discussed were:

1. What questions or observations do you have?
2. Are you supportive of starting a business coalition for Wichita?
 - a. Where do you need additional information?
3. Which elements of the Kansas City model are a good fit for Wichita? Which don’t fit?
4. Any suggestions for proceeding.

Participants’ comments are on the Visionering website at the following link:

<http://www.visioneringwichita.com/minutes/hc/Discussion%20Notes%20092007.pdf>

Next Meetings

Leadership Team: October 26, 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. at the Chamber

Alliance Meeting: Topic: Oral Health Initiatives, October 19th, 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., Larkspur Restaurant & Grill.