

Panhandle Area Child Care Services

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Well a new year of business is here and I think our association is off to a good start. I'd like to welcome two new members to our association: Paige West and Joleen Conway, please let us know if we can be of any assistance to either of you. We had a great meeting and the attendance was higher than it had been all of last year! Let's hope that this will become a common occurrence! Even so we missed some of you and we wanted to let you know what we went over and fill you in on a few important details.

ELECTIONS 2010

Our elections were held at the January meeting and the results are as follows:

President: Jennifer Baumann

Vice-President: Denita Serres

Secretary: Melissa Webster

Treasurer: Betty Hoffman

Calling Committee: Jody Rudloff and a new member Paige West

PACCS DIRECTORY (attached)

Please fill in the holes and return to me, then I will resend the completed one back to everyone.

MEMBERSHIP (attached)

I need those of you that want to become paid members to do so by **January 29-** attached is a membership form that needs filled out and mailed to or dropped off to Betty or myself. We will add these members to the Website that will be launched ASAP in February. A part of the site will be our OPENINGS LIST for members. All parents will be referred to it to find available child care. So it is important to get your membership in ASAP! The site will be www.PanhandleACCS.com, let us know if you have any suggestions or find any errors.

SURVEY (attached)

Attached is a survey on training topics that we would like filled out and return it to me so we can plan our meetings for this upcoming year.

CERTIFICATES OF TRAINING

I have completed copies of the certificates for the 2008 and 2009 year. You can stop by my child care program any time and pick them up. I apologize to each of you for not getting them to you sooner. We will have certificates pre-printed for you to have at the end of each training session from here on out, as well as one at our Christmas Party with your attendance for the year.

PACCS PROJECTED SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR 2010 (attached)

This is a complete list of our year, but listed below is some important information about our upcoming events.

CSC CONFERENCE

The 21st Annual Excellence in Early Childhood Conference is just around the corner Friday and Saturday, February 19 & 20, 2010.

<http://www.csc.edu/conferencing/upcoming.csc>

<http://www.csc.edu/documents/conferencing/2010%20Early%20Child%20Conf-%20WEB.pdf>

1. Registration fee is \$35 for an individual and \$30 if we send it in as a group; deadline is February 12, 2010, so you need to get it to me by **Monday, February 8th** so that we can get it submitted on time!!!
2. Our association is collecting ingredients for trail mix to be given out at the conference, please bring something to add to the mix at our next PACCS meeting – Tuesday, February, 16th @ 7:00pm
3. We are also putting together a door prize for the conference as well, so your donation of items will be helpful. You can either donate money to help purchase something or bring in a variety of items that you would enjoy receiving for your child care program. We are looking for anything from paper, glue, glitter, sticker, or anything else you can think of..... Please bring this to the next meeting as well!
4. Conference decorations – if you have any projects that your program has completed we would love to arrange them on the stage as a part of the decorations. We can use anything like we have done in the past to decorate the table centerpieces. Please send me a quick email so that I know how many displays to expect! THANKS!!

4th ANNUAL FAMILY FUN NITE (attached)

We have scheduled a singing pirate to entertain the kids. We are calling it- An afternoon with our Greatest Treasures..... ARRRH You Ready! Feel free go online to www.mikemennard.com and check him out. In the past we have offered this as a free event and charged a small fee for the meal we served. It was suggested that it be a COMPLETELY FREE event – meal included! I think this would be a WONDERFUL idea. HOWEVER I need a commitment from each provider to collect donations to make it happen. If you have a personal connection with one of the businesses they are more apt to donate a larger amount. I am sending you an informative letter that you can print out and take to the business. PLEASE let me know what businesses you are going to be canvassing so that we don't have everyone trying to hit the same one.

Well I think that about covers it for now, contact me if you have any questions, concerns, or want to help out in anyway. I look forward to working with all of you again this year!

Jennifer Baumann