

Town of Groton, CT
Real Choice Model Community
Minutes from Grant Meeting
July 11, 2003

Attendees: Mary Jo Reilly, Mary Hannigan, Susan Zimmerman, Gary Lehrman, Gary Patterson, Lori Parker, Vicky Beaman, Jan Lehrman, Eileen Cicchese

Discussions:

1. Watched the video from Easter Seals. Very positive response. The movie limited the types of disabilities to mostly physical.
2. Discussion of what IT services available. Lori Parker discussed possibilities.
 - ADA coordinator information on website
 - Town Clerk available accommodations
 - Senior center information: Mary Jo will follow up
 - Parks and recreation opportunities: Mary will follow up
3. Tues, July 22 at 8:30 there will be a presentation to department heads.
4. There was discussion of a development of a grid with all information of the members.
5. Discussion of the steering committee and inviting new people: Mary will invite the following people:
 - Greg McMahan
 - Carolyn Newcombe -823-1898
 - Info line contactAgreed to meet on Tues. evening 1x a month for more opportunities for people to attend from the community. Fall meetings will be Sept. 2 Tues. 7 pm and Sept. 16 Tues. Noon.
6. May Terry came to meeting to talk about a new grant proposal regarding remote operation to testify at state hearings. She would like Groton to submit a letter of interest. Gary L. will talk to Town Manager to discuss. There were many tech issues to address.
7. Mary will invite Lisa Cunney from Learn to attend the next meeting and to discuss the preschool objectives and develop a plan.
8. National Mentoring Day in Oct. Discussion of having town involved. www.dmd-aapd.org
9. July 26: Anniversary of the ADA.
10. Reminder of Coalition Meeting Aug. 1.
11. Minutes are mandatory for the meetings.

Meeting ended at 2 PM