

AUSTISM COUNCIL
JUNE 23, 2008 – 3:00 P.M.

Present: Chairman Daly; Supervisor Veitch; Cathi Duncan, Public Health; Mary Beth Hynes, Town of Ballston; Wes Carr, Youth Bureau; Press.

Chairman Daly called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance.

Ms. Daly said an updated handbook and brochure has been established, and will be put on the county website.

Ms. Daly said she has been working on putting together public awareness with regard to the Autism Council. A sample of a card with an explanation of what the Autism Council of Saratoga County is about, was distributed to all committee members for their review. Ms. Daly said an Autism ribbon will be made and attached to the card as well. She has requested that 250 copies be made for distribution at the county fair in July.

Ms. Daly asked Mr. Carr to make additional copies of the cards and have some put in each of the Supervisors mailboxes for distribution within their municipalities. She cited that youth week in most of the municipalities takes place through the month of July.

Ms. Daly said another organization “Autism Speaks” puts out a puzzle of children cut out as paper dolls all strung together. She suggested bringing the paper doll chain to the county fair tent so that children interested could color them, and they could then be displayed at the fair booth or the child could take it with them.

Ms. Daly asked each committee member to e-mail her with the times that they would be able to help at the county fair during the week of July 15th – 20th.

Mr. Veitch said he has a contract with Preservation Hall, on Washington Street in Saratoga Springs, with regard to the Autism Exp. to take place in the fall. He said a specific date would be announced after details have been worked out.

Mrs. Duncan suggested the possibility of having the Expo at the Dance Museum. Mr. Veitch said he would look into that as well.

Mr. Carr suggested that the Autism Council be represented at the Interagency Awareness Day on November 5th.

On a motion made by Mr. Veitch, seconded by Mr. Carr the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Chris Sansom