



Statewide Council Meeting Minutes September 25, 2024

1. Welcome
2. Introductions of those in attendance (total 27 in attendance)
3. **Rachel Colclazier, Villages Director of Prevention & Education**
 - a. The Kickoff for the National Child Abuse Prevention Month will be held at the Statehouse on April 1, 2025.
 - i. Prevent Child Abuse Indiana would love to see council participation
 - ii. Legislatures will be available to speak with many
 - iii. Help us get the word out about this special event. Flyers will be shared once details are finalized.
4. **Discussion of the Council re-chartering period, process, and changes for 2025:**
 - a. Council re-chartering period runs from October 1 through December 31
 - b. Changes in 2025 Chartering:
 - i. Re-chartering fee is now \$200 a year if paid before Dec 31, 2024
 1. Chartering after Jan 1, 2025 will be \$250
 - ii. PCAIN Support Specialist (Kathy King) went over the Council Document page on the PCAIN website.
 1. The Online Chartering Agreement and Print-Off Chartering Agreement process. When mailing in a check for payment for Chartering Fees, please indicate the County/Council in the Information line of the check.
 2. Other important documents on this page.
 3. Recordings of previous Statewide Council Meetings are available along with many previous Council Couriers.
 4. If your Council is still interested in using the physical pinwheels, they can be ordered through the American Business Solutions. Contact Kathy King for the ordering information.
 - iii. PCAIN will no longer include free or discounted pinwheels with re-chartering (PCAIN and PCAA are getting out of the business of being the “pinwheel middleman”).
 1. 18 boxes of pinwheels are still available from PCAIN on a first come first serve basis for \$225 through the PCAIN Shop (no discount).
 2. Other Pinwheel ideas:

- a. Sheri Robertson, CAPS Elkhart County: We have had some community partners that have created amazing art displays inside of their business using the pinwheels. 2) We have been thinking through art project concepts that schools could do or early learning centers to get kids involved.
 - b. Heather Wildrick-Holman, STARS of Marion County: We have also partnered with the Early Learning sites to make handmade pinwheels, and some have made awesome displays as well. We did a "Let's Chalk About Prevention" in 2021 and 2022. I was a little sad that it didn't have an amazing turnout, but I loved the idea. Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts have service projects as well in the older years of their troops and they might be a great partner in thinking of ideas as well.
 - c. Janet Baker, PCAs in Clay, Sullivan, Parke/Vermillion & Vigo Counties: A lot of communities are into doing murals on business walls. We've had libraries plant the homemade pinwheels in front of their buildings.
 - d. Katie Greenwall, PCA Johnson County: Five Below in Franklin had some cute large multi-colored wooden pinwheels last year.
 - e. Sherri Bell, Pinwheel Partners in Crawford County: Maybe high school shop classes could make the large wooden pinwheels!
- iv. Newly revised brochures will still be included at chartering time - 800 brochures of your choosing in packages of 50 (16 packages total)
 - 1. 200 more brochures (4 packets of 50) available by request for April 2025
 - v. Chartered councils will still receive a 25% discount on all merchandise purchased from PCAIN Shop (this discount does not include brochures).
- c. For 2024 we have 57 Councils representing 63 Indiana counties (largest number of Councils).

5. **Revising PCAIN Brochures:**

- a. PCAIN has been in the process of revising/updating our brochures this year.
- b. Changing the format of the brochures to a Quick Card style. This Quick Card will have bullet points highlighting important tips for each topic with English on the one side and Spanish on the other side. They will also feature a QR Code that will lead the reader to our website, where they can view/order/print a more detailed PDF on each topic. This Quick Card will be what you will receive at chartering and additional cards can be ordered from the website.
- c. If you have a supply of our current brochures, they are still good and can be handed out at your events, exhibits, etc. until they are exhausted.

6. **If your Council is interested in State legislation** – there are several documents on the Council Documents page available.

7. Council updates and networking ideas:

- a. Heather Wildrick-Holman from STARS of Marion County
 - i. Other ways Councils can collaborate
 - ii. Immigrant Community Video
 - iii. Lighted Pinwheel sign
 - iv. Bottle Cap/Buddy Bench Campaign – [My Buddy Bench Project](#)
 - v. I learned about this amazing resource just yesterday! A lot of folks wouldn't use it or think it go to it because it is an Adoption website, but it has so much GREAT info! Not concrete supports and local resources as much, as Gina is talking about but please check it out! [Adopting from Foster Care | Indiana Adoption Program](#)
- b. Liane Nickey from PCA Delaware County
 - i. Asked for Large Pinwheel ordering information
 - ii. April Events
 1. Diaper Event
 2. Pinwheel Coloring Page contest
- c. Gina Vardaman from SCAN, Inc.
 - i. Resource Database – SCAN recently launched a Resource Database
 - ii. Indiana Youth Institute (IYI) regional staff are also interested in connecting with PCAs. They might not always be able to attend your meetings but want to be "in the know" about your efforts. Community Foundations have also engaged with our Councils.
 - iii. We have had more success in engaging new members since creating Community Action Plans for each Council. Our meetings are less of an information sharing and more of an action group where everyone leaves the monthly meeting with a task to complete before the next months. This seems to make people more likely to attend and participate in supporting the Council's plans.
 - iv. April Events
 1. Paint the Town Blue (2025)
 2. Petitions the city to light buildings & bridges blue during April
- d. Tom Soisson from PCA St Joseph County asked if the large pinwheels are sturdy enough to withstand the weather over a long period of time --- The ones the PCAIN have would not withstand being outdoors, especially during windy or rainy days for any length of time.
- e. Sara Johnson from Dunebrook, Inc (LaPorte/Porter)
 - i. We sell T-Shirts with a "Protective Factors" message.

8. Engaging New Members/Volunteers:

- i. Child Care Resource and Referral Network
- ii. Infancy Onward
- iii. School Resource Officers are great to invite
- iv. Collaborating with local Systems of Care

v. Community Partners for Child Safety is in every county.

9. Jeff announced that that PCAIN Support Specialist, Kathy King, will be retiring after 26 years of service with The Villages/PCAIN at the end of this year (Dec 31st).

10. Next statewide council webinar will be scheduled for early December 2024

11. Meeting adjourned.

Link to view the recording of this meeting is: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZYl8hyNfEuc>