

## **Autism Support/Community Group**

Minutes from January 6, 2005 meeting at CDC

Note: 6 people in attendance, 4 professionals and 2 parents.

1. Still looking into Non violent Crisis Intervention. A suggestion was made to try the Hospital and or School district to look for someone to teach program.
2. Shareen will place advertisements in the Bargain Hunter and local Newspaper regarding meetings (time and place)
3. Discussion around child care and children with disabilities. Are there legal rules as to who can care for them? If so what are they?
4. As part of number 3, issue brought to my attention, babysitting for families wishing to attend meetings, workshops, or just plain go out for an evening. How can we train babysitters? Who can you get? What rate do you pay?
5. Resources that the group would like to have available for loan in the future if possible would be the circles program and Navigating the Social World.
6. Discussion around Ambertose some successes seen by another mom. Shareen will put together info packets and research done by anyone other than the company producing the product.
7. Discussion around sensory issues and how to relate them to other professionals working with our children. One positive approach shared was to find info on your specific sensory issue in research articles or auto biographies eg, Temple Grandin or Donna Williams. Show the relationship between your child and the info found to create a better understanding.
8. Discussion around Intergrated Play group and Social Clubs - some good ideas presented.

Thank you to everyone who attended the meeting on January 6, 2005  
Your information, thoughts, and ideas were greatly appreciated.