

Regional Service Council Minutes Region #12

Meeting Date: October 16, 2017
Meeting Location: Fayette County DCS Conference Room
Meeting Chair: Kelly Owens
Meeting Secretary: Myrna Baldwin

Meeting Called to Order at: 3:30 p.m.

Roll Call:

Council Members Present: Bill Ammerman, Rush County DCS; David Balmer, Henry County DCS; Catherine McNamara, Franklin County DCS; Kathy Hobson, Fayette County DCS.

Council Members Absent: Karen Bowen, Wayne County CASA; Kimyi Taylor Henry County DCS; Bette Jones, Fayette County Prosecuting Attorney; Judge Bob Witham, Henry County Circuit Court; Judge Brian Hill, Rush Superior Court; Aimee Reese, Franklin County CASA/Foster Care Representative; and Tonya Smith, Rush County DCS.

Others In Attendance: Hannah Robinson, Regional Service Coordinator; Chelsea Shelburne, Indiana Youth Services; Robert Daugherty, DCS Regional Finance Manager; Susan Lightfoot, Henry County Probation; Carl Scheib, Children's Bureau; Pasha Ferris, The Villages; Monique Johnson, Youth Villages; Kory George, Wayne County Probation; Jenna Turner, Fayette County Probation; Rick Carlson, Choices; Angela Jordan, Wayne County DCS; Karen Blessinger, Henry County DCS; and Gwen Brotherton, Lifeline.

Meeting Minutes

I. Welcome, Introductions

- a) Meeting agenda distributed.
- b) Welcome.
- c) Susan Lightfoot serving as proxy for Judge Bob Witham.
- d) Angela Jordan serving as proxy for Tonya Smith

II. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting

Bill Ammerman moved to approve the minutes from the July 17, 2017, meeting with David Balmer seconding. Motion approved; July 17, 2017, minutes approved as written.

III. Program/Committee Reports:

➤ **Community Partners:**

The *Community Partners for Child Safety* report was distributed, Carl Scheib reporting:
Referrals- Third quarter referrals are down at 193 compared to 243 during the second quarter;

Events-

October 24, 2017- Fayette County Halloween in the Park- all invited to this free event

October 31, 2017- Provider Fair- 25-30 providers in attendance- come dressed up for Halloween if you choose;
Update on PCA events

IV. Regional Service Coordinator:

Hannah Robinson reporting

- Communications have been sent regarding service standard updates and trainings. Providers are encouraged to review these. They are also located on the DCS website.
- There is no date set for Request for Proposals (RFP) and there may not be any issued this year.

Lifeline Service Addition:

Lifeline is interested in adding Homemaker/Parent Aid in Region 12. They currently have staff available to begin providing this service right away. This service is not currently on their contract for R12, but is on their contract for almost every other Region in the state with the exception of R12 and R13. This service would be available for probation as well.

Kathy Hobson moved to accept this addition with Susan Lightfoot seconding. The motion passed with no opposing votes.

V. Regional Financial Manager Report:

Bob Daugherty reporting

Budget allotment \$9,396,635.61- expenditures year to date- \$2,769,075.20, an 11% increase from prior year to date. DCS is over the targeted expenditure of 25% by almost 5% at 29%.

Probation – expenditures year to date- \$799,509.23 down 1.14% from prior year to date.

No specific allocation has been received for Probation to date.

VI. Other Business

No business to discuss.

VII. Public Comment

- Gwen Brotherton, with Lifeline stated Lifeline has 30 hours available if not more, for the Homemaker/Parent Aid service
- Monique Johnson, Youth Villages, reported no availability at this time, but hopefully there will be within the next two (2) months
- Chelsea Shelburne, with Indiana Trafficking Victims Assistance Program, noted free trainings that are available

VIII. Unfinished Business

On April 11, 2017, two (2) electronic requests for voting were issued as follows:

RE: Balance of 2016-2017 Prevention Dollars Awards

The Region 12 RSC committee met on 01/31/2017, to discuss and decide how to divide and award the remaining \$7,160 balance left after Cradles in Henry County closed. The following decisions were made and are submitted for vote:

- 1) \$5,000 for Safe Sleep billboard advertising
- 2) \$1,500 for Body Safety with Terry Hall
- 3) \$660 for Family Services and Prevention of Union County Summer Program

Council Members Voting Electronically: Judge Bob Witham; Bill Ammerman; Kathy Hobson; David Balmer; Tonya Smith and Aimee Reese.

Council Members Not Responding: Judge Brian Hill; Catherine McNamara; Kimyi Taylor; Karen Bowen and Bette Jones.

Bill Ammerman brought forth the motion to enter the abovementioned vote into the minutes, Kathy Hobson seconded and the vote was entered with none opposing.

RE: 2017-2018 Brokered Prevention Awards

The following is being presented for vote regarding 2017-2018 Brokered Prevention Awards that will start in July, 2017.

- 1) Stayin' Alive- \$5,000 for the Family Fun event Memorial weekend, 2018 (Franklin Co- open to all in region)
- 2) Whitewater Care Pavilion- \$6,000 for "Parenting Children with Behavioral Issues" (Fayette Co- open to all in region)
- 3) PEACE- \$9,000 – working with youth through the Prime for Life curriculum (Wayne Co- open to Wayne Co)
- 4) Family Series and Prevention Programs- \$9,600 for "Guiding Good Choices and "Why Try?" curriculum (Fayette Co Schools)

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Bill Ammerman brought forth the motion to enter the abovementioned vote into the minutes, Kathy Hobson seconded and the vote was entered with none opposing.

Additions to the previous 2017-2018 Brokered Prevention Awards were presented to the Council on 10/16/2017, as follows:

- 1) Workshops- \$5,000- Carl Scheib- Education and Awareness (all counties in the region)
- 2) Prevent Child Abuse Councils- \$3,000 (\$500/county) (all counties in the region)
- 3) ARIES- \$3,000- Education and Awareness (Henry County)
- 4) Terry Hall presentation- \$2,000- Body Safety Education (Rush County)
- 5) CPCS- \$30,000- Material Relief (all counties in the region)
- 6) Safe Sleep- \$2,000 (\$80x25)- Pack & Play/Survival Kit

Bill Ammerman motioned to accept the abovementioned oral additions. David Balmer seconded and the additions were accepted and entered into the minutes with no opposing votes.

Adjournment:

The next meeting will be held on January 8, 2018, at 3:30pm, at the Fayette County Local DCS Office.

Meeting adjourned at 4:00pm.