



Regional Service Council Minutes

Region 1

April 25, 2016

3:30 PM

Lake County Juvenile Justice Center
3000 West 93rd Avenue
Crown Point, Indiana 46307

Council Members Present: Ellis Dumas, Lois Logan-Beard, Erica Rios, Twan Stokes, Diane Weiss-Bradley, and Christian Winfield

Council Members Absent: Larissa Hoyt, Rehana Adat-Lopez, Matt Gruett, Thomas Stephaniak, Kathleen Guzek

Call to Order

Ellis Dumas called the meeting to order at 3:36 PM.

Approval of Minutes

Christian Winfield motioned to accept the January 11, 2016 minutes; Erica Rios seconded the motion. Diane Weiss-Bradley motioned to correct the minutes from stating the next upcoming meeting was July 29, 2016 to July 25, 2016. The motion was seconded by Christian Winfield. The minutes were passed with the correction unanimously. Ellis Dumas stated the minutes are now posted on the DCS website.

Community Partners

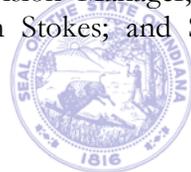
Community Partners reported there were 176 new enrollees and an average of 153 referrals per month. CP has also been conducting child abuse and neglect prevention and awareness presentations with DCS throughout the community. There are three upcoming Community Partners events. The Walkathon will be held Saturday, April 30, 2016. The Spring Vendor Fair is Wednesday, June 1, 2016. There are currently 90 vendors scheduled to attend. The Annual Child Abuse Prevention Community Picnic is Friday, July 29, 2016.

Fiscal

Lois Logan-Beard reported that the Agency Budget contained two separate reports, dividing Probation and CHINS reports. Probation currently has \$7.7 million total expenditures this year to date. Lake County has spent 82.9% of its budget due to an increase in children in care and an increase in services.

Biennial Plan

Ellis Dumas indicated that the Biennial Plan for 2017-18 has been posted to the DCS website. The four key areas of service needs are: Repeat Maltreatment- facilitated by Division Manager Katie Hargett; Permanency- facilitated by Division Manager, Larissa Hoyt; Prevention- facilitated by Family Case Manager Supervisor, Twan Stokes; and Substance Abuse- facilitated by Division Manager, Kimberly Wells.



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Next Meeting

Future Regional Council Meetings are July 25, 2016 and October 31, 2016

Adjournment

Twan Stokes moved to adjourn the meeting and Christian Winfield seconded the motion. Adjournment passed unanimously. Ellis Dumas adjourned the meeting at 3:50 PM.



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