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Public Meeting
Regional Service Council
Region 10
January 17, 2014

Council Members in Attendance

P. Surbey, Chair, Region 10 Director; M. Schwer, DCS Chief Council; M. McGeney, DCS Division Manager; M. Schadler, DCS FCM; M. Locotosh, Foster Parent; P. Haughan, MCPO; K. Reid, DCS Division Manager; C. Couch, DCS Regional Services Coordinator; B. Ping, Juvenile Ct.; A. Johnson, DCS Deputy Director; K Stephenson, DCS Supervisor; A. Foxworthy, DCS Supervisor; Gregg Ellis, Child Advocates.

Visitors

G. Roberts, DCS Human Svc. Cons; M. Jessup & J. Fraiz, Selah House; M. Study-Campbell, Reach for Youth; A. Kolaik, Gibault; P. Smith, Capitol City; M. Howe, Social Health Association; T. Cloer & J. Bennett, Children's Bureau, Inc; B. O'Connor & S Sutphin, Valle Vista; J. Ensinger, Columbus Behavioral Center; E. Sanchez, Pathway International; A. Coleman, Community/Gallahue; S. Martin, MCCOY; E. Davis-J. Tolbert & J. Asher, Connections, Inc; A. Johnson, Gallahue/LCFS; L. Bertsch, Life Solutions

Introductions of Members/Housekeeping

A quorum of members introduced themselves. December 20, 2013 minutes were reviewed and approved. They will be posted to the website within 10 days.

RFP Review

A committee had met and reviewed all of the proposals that had been submitted. A copy of the review was passed out to all members. C.Couch gave a summary of the review. Many of the proposals were proposing several service standards under the same proposal so it was voted on service by service instead of total proposal. After all of the proposals were read, and much discussion, the board voted to accept the proposals to move forward to Central Office for contract negotiations. The motion was approved and passed.



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2013-2014 Budget Update

Several items of the budget were up for discussion such as how much of the proposal funds were left to give out-a possible deadline for signing MOU and use of funds-recommendations for the time line of the money that has already been allotted with the notion of reallocation of funds not being used.

J. Bennett was present to fill in members on what was left of the funds and how much of the funds had not been used and by what agencies. Total left in the budget after the administration fees were \$24,768. There were also 7 contractors that have been allocated money that have not submitted any invoices through November. Also, 2 or 3 of those contractors had not signed an MOU. All of the 7 agencies were going to be contacted to see why they had not used their funds and another update would be given at the next RSC meeting.

Biennial Strategic Plan Update

***Committee Formation**

A few meetings were held about a committee formation for Biennial Strategic Plan for the next 2 years. DCS as a whole has goals such as a new Child Support System, Trauma Informed Care, and Staff Retention and Recruitment. Other area to focus on is an action plan that has been divided into 4 work groups-Substance Abuse Treatment-Mentoring Options for Youth-Under Utilized Services (such as tutoring and literacy)-Services Ordered by court but not do have DCS Service Standards-Educational Needs for DCS probation youth. C. Couch gave information about what the goals are for the Biennial Strategic Plan. Plan is to meet on a regular basis such as monthly at first and then quarterly after that to see where each committee stands at that time. The plan, when finished, will be posted on the DCS internet. The motion was approved and passed.

Additional Funding Requests

S. Martin from MCCOY, asked the council to provide funding in the amount of \$1050 for a DCS ad in the Youth Activity Director that MCCOY puts out yearly. The directory's are for after school care and camps. A cover contest is underway to create a cover that will catch the eye of youth. A. Johnson had the idea of having an internal contest at DCS to create the ad page that the council would be funding. Ad would need to be submitted by February 28th. A. Johnson and M. Schadler will be in charge of the DCS ad design and will have their recommendation for the ad ready at the next meeting. The motion was approved and passed.

M. Howe from Social Health Association came to the council to ask for \$20,000 to help fund a program to educate youth about Sexual Education, Bullying, Contraception, and Teen Dating Violence in the schools. The money would go to help fund an existing program and to also get into other schools. After much discussion, M. Howe was asked if he would be available to come to the next meeting. It was decided to be tabled until next month's meeting.

M. Study-Campbell from Reach for Youth came to ask the council to fund a program \$19,300 for a VIP Violence Prevention program that is delivered to students in schools, community centers and also parents. In the past they were awarded \$50,000. That money is almost gone and has many more requests coming in. Council discussed and asked questions but decided to have M. Study-Campbell return and the funding be looked at again at the next RSC meeting.

Other Updates/Business

Quarterly reports were handed out to the council.

Public Announcement/Comments

It was asked how they will know if their proposal was not accepted. P. Surbey explained provider will be contacted and feedback will be given for any provider's proposal that was not accepted. No other announcements or questions from the gallery or the council.

Adjournment

Chair announced the next meeting would be February 21, 2014. A motion was made to end the meeting. The motion was approved and passed.