

Interagency Child Abuse Prevention Task Force

Office of Child Abuse Prevention
Oklahoma State Department of Health
1000 N.E. 10th Street, Room 806
Oklahoma City OK

Meeting Minutes

June 26, 2013

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jimmy Arias, Felica Denton (for Cynthia Valenzuela), Elicia Berryhill, Gayla Westbrook (for Char Carter), Maggi Hutchason, Beth Martin, Denise Howard (for Robyn Sears), Debra Andersen, Don Batson, Jennifer Dell

MEMBERS ABSENT: Deb Shropshire, Larry Langley, Barbara Smith, Tamatha Mosier

STAFF PRESENT: Brittany Berry, Chris Fiesel, Persephone Starks, Sherie Trice, Chelsie Melkvik, Jaretta Murphy, Annette Jacobi

I. Call to Order – Maggi Hutchason

The meeting was called to order. Roll call was taken and quorum was established. Everyone present introduced themselves.

II. Approval of Minutes – Maggi Hutchason

Jennifer Dell made a motion to accept the May 3rd, 2013 minutes as written. Elicia Berryhill seconded. Motion approved.

NAME	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Deb Andersen	X		
Jimmy Arias	X		
Don Batson (not present during voting)			
Felica Denton for Cynthia Valenzuela	X		
Elicia Berryhill	X		
Gayla Westbrook for Char Carter	X		
Jennifer Dell	X		
Maggi Hutchason			X
Beth Martin	X		
Denise Howard for Robyn Sears	X		

**Don Batson arrived at approximately 1:35pm*

III. Public Comment

No Comment was made

IV. Update and possible action on “The Oklahoma State Plan for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect” - Annette Jacobi

Maggi announced that OCCY approved the State Plan on June 14, 2013.

Annette spoke to the group about the future of ITF and how it could look after HB 1467 went into effect. She suggested something similar to the Preparing for a Lifetime structure where there is a leadership group and subcommittees to work on topics such as the ones listed below - to accomplish prevention goals. The goals and objectives should align with the State Plan.

Some of the ideas for subcommittee groups could be:

- Sexual Abuse Prevention (including sex trafficking)
- Parent Leadership
- Community Development
- Awareness and Education
- Home Visiting (HVLAC)
- Domestic Violence
- Substance Abuse and Mental Health
- Faith-based Connections
- Business Connections/partnerships
- Child Welfare.

Discussion included pinpointing individual member's passion for which workgroup would be a best fit, the possibility of adding new members, and continuing to meet every other month (volunteer) leadership group and on off months subcommittees could meet.

Debra – feels it would be beneficial for the Partnership For School Readiness to identify some commonalities and join forces. Identify things beyond their scope to reach out to and broaden their perspective. Reduce duplication of efforts while closing in the gaps.

Bring awareness of the ACE study to legislatures, professionals, etc.

The group feels the need for an inclusive, positive name that speaks to the work the group will be promoting (ideas were suggested around “flourish”, “Champions for children”, as well as others).

Annette reiterated that the State Plan is still a requirement every five years regardless of the new legislation. It was suggested that updates or smaller reports/data should be addressed more frequently than 5 years.

Travel would still be reimbursed.

V. Discussion, Contract Review and possible action on a Start Right Contract – FSPS Staff

This contract was initially not considered for renewal which is why they were not brought before the group at the previous meeting. OCAP/Start Right Staff have

consulted with legal and senior leadership along the way. The director met with the Start Right staff to address the issues that caused the denial for renewal. The director made some favorable commitments in order to meet requirements for renewal.

Members voted to renew the contract with the following contingencies:

1. All staff have to be replaced (2 Family Support Workers, 1 Family Assessment Worker/Supervisor, and Administrator)
2. At least quarterly site visits rather than an annual site visit
3. The 30 day cancellation clause in the contract is upheld at the first sign of issues
4. Compliance with all other requirements of the contract

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Elicia Berryhill	X		
Gayla Westbrook for Char Carter	X		
Jennifer Dell	X		
Maggi Hutchason			X
Beth Martin	X		
Denise Howard for Robyn Sears	X		

VI. New Business

No new business

VII. Announcements

No announcements were made.

VIII. Meeting adjourned at 2:05pm.