

OFFICE OF PLANNING AND COORDINATION STEERING COMMITTEE

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Regular Meeting January 23, 2015 MINUTES

I. **Welcome and Introductions – Commissioner Sid Brown**

Commissioner Sid Brown called the meeting to order at 11:21am. Those in attendance were: Commissioner Sid Brown, Commissioner Ken Couchman, Anthony Kibble, Jack Chapman, Lisa Smith, Commissioner Jason Charles, Jennifer Hardin, Cherra Taylor, Commissioner Wanda Felty, Marques Butler, Dr. Deborah Shropshire, Lindsay Crim, Dr. Elizabeth Maier, and Dr. Rashi Shukla.

II. **Review /Approval of September 19, 2014 Minutes – Commissioner Sid Brown**

The committee briefly reviewed the minutes of the previous meeting.

Commissioner Jason Charles moved to approve the minutes and Commissioner Wanda Felty seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

III. **P&C Program Manager’s Report – Anthony Kibble**

Copies of the Program Manager’s report were handed out to the committee members. Some of the items reported include the establishment of several new Freestanding Multidisciplinary Teams (FSMDTs), the award of the Children’s Justice Act (CJA) grant to help support training of FSMDTs, and the Office of Planning and Coordination’s (P&C) participation in the Saving Our Families Legislative Study as well as establishing the Saving Our Families Coalition into a Community Partnership Board (CPB).

Anthony reported that P&C submitted a grant proposal to the Oklahoma Child Abuse and Neglect Advisory Task Force. The grant will be to support trainings specifically for Juvenile Judges and District Attorneys who handle deprived cases.

IV. **OKDHS/OCCY Collaborative Update – Dr. Deborah Shropshire**

Dr. Shropshire reported that the collaborative in Pottawatomie County is well established, and that a collaborative is currently being established in Lincoln County. The Lincoln County collaborative has divided into two sub-groups to work on health care barriers and economic stability.

Dr. Shropshire also reported that a Collaborative, led by Judge Lisa Davis, is being established in Oklahoma County. Their initial efforts will be to focus on juvenile justice and the crossover with child welfare. The first meeting was held on January 16, 2015 to coordinate membership and what areas of concern need

to be addressed for the county. Commissioner Brown added that there was an attempt to form a Collaborative in Oklahoma County previously using the same model that Tulsa County was using, but found that the model didn't work for Oklahoma County as it did for Tulsa County. He advised Dr. Shropshire to hire a staff person for Oklahoma County who will be the central point for the Collaborative. Dr. Shropshire affirmed that the process of finding a staff person is already in progress. Jack Chapman stated that part of Tulsa County's success is that 60% of their funding came from private sources. He suggested that Oklahoma County should attempt to obtain the majority of funding for the Collaborative from private sources. Dr. Shropshire affirmed that the United Way of Central Oklahoma is assisting in the efforts to establish a Collaborative in Oklahoma County. She also stated that Pottawatomie County is currently working on an outcome studies for the Avedis Foundation grant and is also working on a plan for sustainability.

Lisa Smith stated that Pottawatomie County is planning to establish a Family Justice Center, and that Richard Smothermon, Pottawatomie County's District Attorney, will be presenting about the model for the Center at the Commission meeting in June.

V. Discussion on CAMA Task Force Meeting – P&C Steering Committee

Copies of the minutes from the CAMA meeting were handed out to the committee members. It was reported that, according to the results of the CAMA Task Force Survey taken between November 4 and November 14, 2014, uniformity was a key issue in all areas. Some of the items agreed upon by the Task Force are: having a standardized reporting system that would allow for greater accuracy when reviewing the CAC/FSMDT's core services; exploring the possibilities of baseline funding for FSMDTs; and establishing a uniform and consistent yearly review process for both CACs and FSMDTs.

The Steering Committee members discussed about the legislative bills that would affect how CAMA would fund the FSMDTs and the CACs as well as the pros and cons of upfront funding vs. invoicing for funds. It was also discussed about the issues faced when new teams are added, the number of children actually receiving services, and the issues that the Oklahoma County team has faced that could lead to their disbandment.

The next CAMA Task Force meeting is scheduled for January 30, 2015.

VI. Developmental Disabilities Training – Commissioner Wanda Felty

Commissioner Felty reported that she developed a training model to mirror the Developmental Disabilities training that was given last year, and has scheduled trainings for four locations. Dr. Mary Stockett, forensic interviewer, Andy Hamilton, and Developmental Disability Services liaison, Claricia Hocking will be on the discussion panel for the trainings.

The training will take four hours to complete and the four locations are Comanche County on April 1, Pittsburg County on April 29, Garfield County on May 13, and Mayes County on June 17, 2015. These areas were picked because of the high reporting incidents of child abuse and/or neglect involving children with developmental disabilities. The goals of the trainings are to assist in providing resources to workers in determining what is considered abuse or neglect, and to assist to workers in providing resources to families in order to possibly prevent abuse or neglect from occurring.

VII. Strengthening Custody & Transition Services Advisory Team Update –
Commissioner Jason Charles

Commissioner Charles reported on the pilot projects in Central Oklahoma Juvenile Center (COJC) and Southwestern Oklahoma Juvenile Center (SWOJC) and the Strengthening Custody and Transition Committee will have the first outcomes report on COJC sometime this summer. The pilot projects consist of vocational training and certification for youth to be able to obtain a job after transitioning from the facility. He also reported that obtaining essential documents for the youth in OJA custody is still an issue, but COJC has created a program called University U to assist the youth in creating a portfolio that should have the essential documents needed as well as educational and certification documents for youth to be able to obtain employment.

Anthony added that because of OJA policy with only needing a copy of a birth certificate, there have been barriers with the facilities' abilities to offer independent living programs and the work study programs for the youth in their custody. Some of the progress done is in the transitional living programs. Therefore, the youth can have the option to transition to other communities rather than the original communities they came from as the original community may not be in the best interest of the transitioning youth. He also added that Jackson County has a sustainable community-based program, and that Payne is moving to sustainability. The new community-based projects currently in progress are in Comanche and Creek Counties. The Next Step program in Comanche County recently received 501(c)(3) status and has both DHS and OJA youth participating in the program.

Anthony and Commissioner Charles shared information about the Performance Pilot Partnerships grant which is a federal grant provided by the Department of Labor, the Department of Health and Human Services, and several other federal agencies to encourage the establishment of community-based projects to work with the "disconnected" youth found in the communities. A "disconnected" youth is classified as youth in or were in juvenile justice programs, and youth who are homeless or moving from home to home. The grant is awarded to only ten organizations nationally. Anthony stated that P&C is applying for this grant and will need collaboration and cooperation from P&C's partners for this grant. Anthony stated that he hopes, with the help of some of the partners, that P&C will form a partnership with some of the Native American tribes.

VIII. Next Steps and Meeting Date – Commissioner Sid Brown

The next meeting is scheduled for March 20, 2015, immediately following the Commission meeting.

Anthony and Commissioner Charles will bring a report to the next meeting on the progress of the P3 grant which is due March 4, 2014. Anthony is also to bring a summary report on the MDTs to the next meeting.

IX. Adjourn

With no other announcements, Commissioner Brown adjourned the meeting at 12:33pm.