

**CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES
NOVEMBER 16, 2017**

PRESENT: Sara Barron, Laura Cherone, Kathy Duffek, Pam Groh, Rob Jadrnicek, Darlene Johnson, Luke Pinion, Jen Rohrbaugh, Lindsay Wilson, Mary Wittwer

STAFF PRESENT: Danielle Birdeau, Tammy Kokan, Mireya Casarrubias, Ron Pupp, Linda Wetzel, Linda Wickstrom

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 19, 2017 MEETING

A motion was made by Darlene Johnson, seconded by Sara Barron to approve the minutes of the October 19, 2017 CAFSAC meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 8:40 a.m.

BOARD LIAISON UPDATE

Darlene Johnson reported that the budget passed unanimously, three amendments were completed and the levy did not change.

AGENCY UPDATES

Linda Wetzel, Lutheran Social Services Birth to 3(B-3) Program Supervisor reports that the program is the third largest program in the state of Wisconsin. B-3 will serve approximately 550 children this year, they have received approximately 700 informational calls year. The Developmental Screening Program with budget changes, are working to mold programs together. There are community programs for children with special needs to provide a stepping stone to support families, the YMCA adaptive gymnastics class is an example. Waukesha County Community Foundation Grant was approved to the B-3 program.

Sara Barron, from Broadscope reports that she works with the Children's Long Term Waiver Program. Tax care dollars are put aside for families to provide services and the 2018 State budget was passed. Waukesha County will be removing over 400 families from the waiting list so that they can all receive support services. Broadscope has serviced 325 families in the program utilizing 20,000 hours for Respite. There is a Respite and Recreation night scheduled at the Schutze building approximately 5 to 6 times a year and approximately 30 children are able to attend each month. At this point Broadscope is reaching out to the Hispanic community.

Lindsay Wilson, Safe Babies/Healthy Families reports that their program is a volunteer program. The program is designed to help children from prenatal to the age of 5. They connect them with resources and support for the parents. There are Ages and Stages activities and screening to make sure that the child is on track.

Laura Cherone, Family Services of Waukesha, reports that the agency has changed their name to "Family Services", this lets the community know they serve others along with Waukesha County. There are three locations, two in the city of Waukesha and one in Oconomowoc.

At this time Family Services provide services in 13 schools. There are therapists for 3 districts, 6 in Waukesha 2 in Kettle Moraine. They have programs for domestic violence offenders, and can help perpetrators lessening future victims. There are also services for parents who put their children at risk in at-risk environments. Parent/Child Interaction Training (PCIT), is a program at the Children's Place Clinic, working with parents to help with better child interaction. PCIT also offers adoption competency, participating and training families, parents whose rights have been terminated or voluntarily giving up their rights, and families who didn't raise the child.

Mary Wittwer, Wisconsin Community Services, reports they have adult programs to provide alternatives to incarceration and keeping parents in the community by providing employment, job services, financial and nutrition services these all help the children indirectly. Workers have a cell phone and are available to parents 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Their Youth Enhance program, called the YES program, gives hands on support to the families.

Linda Wickstrom, Public Communications Coordinator, Health and Human Services Department Shared a pamphlet Celebrate Children Foundation.

Luke Pinion, School District of Waukesha, Student Services Director, reports that the District has 18 psychologists, 12 school social workers, and 19 counselors. They have full time psychologists in each school, with the exception of 4 elementary schools, those 4 schools have full time social workers and part time psychologists. The District wrote a grant through United Way, the grant would allow the District the ability to expand schools based mental health services. This specific grant will allow the staff to have more time available to work with the families, alternative education, and problematic children, and also work with the Students for Competency program, pregnant teens, discipline pre-expulsions meetings/hearings, holds off the expulsion to help the kids get back on track. The District currently have 1 teacher at the Juvenile Detention Center.

Kathy Duffek, Parent's Place, passed out a brochure. Duffek reports they are involved with many school regarding Community Education Programs/Classes. They provide parent education and most classes are in Spanish and English. Parent's Place collaborates with the Triple P program, they work a one on one program that is free; they are doing this in the jail and with WCTC. They have a couple open Positive Parenting Program curriculum, this is video based and began in Australia. The program is held for 4 weeks, once a week and meeting primarily in the office. The family has been assessed to find out what services they may need. By the time one program is over they are then connected to other programs. They also have workshops for school districts.

Danielle Birdeau, Crisis Services & Coordinated Services Team Supervisor reports that they are kicking off the coordinated services team committee. A Naloxone training was provided at the last meeting in October. The focus is to provide educational segments in each meeting and plan to continue to develop and regrow.

Ron Pupp, Adolescent and Family Services Manager has reported that the Request for Information (RFI). This program will be offering symposiums, basic verbal RFI, intensive in-home. There may be a group home for a specific age group. Hoping that this would create a better Request for Proposal program (RFP) this will be communicated through emails, word of mouth, and networking.

Darlene Johnson, Mukwonago Village Trustee, reports that on November 8, 2017 a program called Straight Forward was provided. On February 20, 2018, Tuesday, Your Choice will provide a presentation program called "Stairway to Heroin" at 7pm, located at the Brook Life Church. This presentation provides a very strong message, they encourage parents come with their children.

Rob Jadrnicek, Pastor at LifePoint Church, reports that 35% of their constituents are youth. Their focus is to help people, help them connect with God and with others, help grow, to serve their own ministry and others, serving in the community. CARE and RESPONSE of Mukwonago, is a program that assists residents and dependent on a person's specific situation they may provide meals, assist with a family's home needs such as providing a stove, etc. Jadrnicek is also a Chaplin for the police officers and fire department staff in Mukwonago.

DISABILITY RIGHTS (Disability Rights Wisconsin)

A speaker was unavailable to present from Disability Rights of Wisconsin. The Chair will make contact them to reschedule for a future presentation regarding disability rights.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ADJOURNMENT

Darlene Johnson moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Kathy Duffek and Luke Pinion at 9:44 a.m.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for January 18, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. in Room 271 of the Human Services Center, 514 Riverview Avenue.


APPROVED 1/18/18

Respectfully submitted,

Mireya Casarrubias