

OPEN MEETING MINUTES

Waukesha County Human Services Center Children and Family Services Advisory Committee (CAFSAC) September 17, 2020

Present CAFSAC Committee: Kristin Agenten, Colleen Allen, Laura Cherone, Darlene Johnson, Rob Jadrnicek, Sarah Matson, Raquel Mehring, Luke Pinion, Renee Ramirez, Mary Adele Revoy, Diane Ripple, Mary Sweeney, Dua Vang-Ramirez

Absent CAFSAC Committee: Sara Barron, Lindsay Just, Maura McMahon, Karen Villarreal

HHS Board Liaison: Bob Menefee

Present HHS Staff Liaisons: Ron Pupp

Guests: Mireya Casarrubias, Amanda Huber, Holly Norkofski (proxy for Maura McMahon), Sara Pfeiffle, Vickie Smith, Chelsey Wasielewski (proxy for Lindsay Just)

1. Call to Order

Chair Revoy called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m.

Chair Revoy did attendance.

2. Approval of Minutes

Motion: Johnson moved, second by Mehring, to approve the CAFSAC minutes of August 27, 2020.
Motion passed without a negative vote.

8:37 a.m. Ramirez joined the meeting

8:40 a.m. Ripple joined the meeting

3. Committee Business

a. Review of membership list

All members were asked by Revoy to review the membership list, to make sure that all the members information is accurate. Any revisions or updates are to be submitted to Casarrubias by end of next week.

b. Status of Consumer Rep member

Revoy informed the committee that she had spoken to Villarreal in regards of recruiting a consumer representative, and the idea was to have 2 families as representatives, all members agreed to have 2 families as members of CAFSAC. Per Revoy, Villarreal is still having employees reach out to families who would be interested in joining CAFSAC, and Smith informed CAFSAC she will be sharing the information to the Special Services Advisory Committee (SSAC) this afternoon for any parent that would be interested.

4. Changes and Challenges to Schools Reopening – All

Pinion reported since school has started, there has been many reports of different grade levels that have been quarantined due to the pandemic. The Waukesha School district releases a dashboard that can be found on the homepage of the Waukesha School district. This dashboard provides information in real time and updated hourly of how many students throughout their system by each school are currently isolated because they are sick and positive with COVID-19 symptoms, or the students are quarantined due to direct contact. There is also data information about the staff of Waukesha School District.

Cherone shared that Family Services has a team of therapists that work in the schools. Cherone reports that the transition has gone smoothly in providing psychotherapy in the schools. However in the administrative area, the challenge that Cherone has found that their staff is worried about being exposed, even though the agency as a whole has been very careful to minimize exposure to the staff. The staff that is employed by Family Services that work in the building do not provide services in person, the services are provided virtually, the concern lies for the staff that works with the students in the schools, where the staff sees the client in person.

5. Family First Prevention Services Act (FFPSA) Readiness – All

Pupp reports that a report was given to the board committee last week of an overview of the three main categories that are targeted in regards of the Family First Act. The main focus is that agencies are aware and getting ready for the evidence based practices that are needed to comply with the act and to build a broader network of community services to help support youth. At this time Family Services, Parent's Place, and WCS have expressed that they are interested or have been making changes to adapt with the FFA.

6. Reports

a. HHS Board Liaison Report

Menefee informed the committee that the HHS Board had met, and the Board is concerned for the children of Waukesha, and is wanting what is best for them and the ways for supporting them. Menefee agrees in having updates in the meeting in regards to how the Waukesha School District is doing with COVID-19.

b. HHS Staff Liaison Report

Pupp reported Lisa Roberts as the new intermittent deputy director, and Vickie Smith is now the new Child and Family Services Division Manager.

A lot of HHS staff has responded in helping Public Health with COVID-19 pandemic in the last 6 months. Working their role at HHS and also working at the Emergency Operations Center. Over 200 new employees were hired to help as contact tracers, this funding was provided by the new Cares Act, which will extend until December 31, 2020.

7. Agency Updates/Announcements

Mehring informed the committee that Kathy Duffek, the community education coordinator, has stepped down from her position at Parents Place, returning to work with families without the administrative role. Karen Becker has been promoted to Director of Programming. Parents Place is now having their classes online.

Ramirez, Family Dental, updated the committee that both of the clinic in Waukesha and Menomonee Falls are now open, and have all of their staff back. So if any agency needs to make a referral, the agencies are welcome to do so.

Allen, ProHealth Care Inc., has one of the I.O.P. program and one PHP program to be open in person. Behavioral Health Therapy and also offering clients some of the classes that are offered online.

Jadrnicek, LifePoint Church, the church has been providing services as of May 31, 2020, and as of this day, and there has been 2 people diagnosed with COVID-19.

Wasielewski, Addiction Resource Council (ARC), reported that ARC is now providing Narcan training online, and their next class is scheduled for next week Tuesday.

8. Discuss Agenda Items for Next Meeting

Diane Ripple from the Women's Center present information for Lethality.

9. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

10. Adjourn

Motion: Johnson moved, second by Jadrnicek, to adjourn the CAFSAC meeting at 9:27 a.m. Motion passed without a negative vote.

11. Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for October 15, 2020 at 8:30 a.m. as a virtual meeting through Microsoft Teams of the Human Services Center, 514 Riverview Avenue.

Respectfully submitted by Mireya Casarrubias.

Minutes Were Approved on 10/15/2020.