

OPEN MEETING MINUTES

Waukesha County Human Services Center Children and Family Services Advisory Committee (CAFSAC) July 16, 2020

Present CAFSAC Committee: Kristin Agenten, Colleen Allen, Laura Cherone, Lindsay Just, Sarah Matson, Raquel Mehring, Renee Ramirez, Mary Adele Revoy, Diane Ripple, Dua Vang-Ramirez, Karen Villarreal, Mary Sweeney

Absent CAFSAC Committee: Sara Barron, Pam Groh, Rob Jadrnicek, Darlene Johnson, Maura McMahan, Luke Pinion

HHS Board Liaison: Bob Menefee

Present HHS Staff Liaisons: Kathy Mullooly, Ron Pupp

Guests: Mireya Casarrubias, Eric Calvino, Jamie Dobner (proxy for Luke Pinion), Amanda Huber, Michelle Lim, Holly Norkofski (proxy for McMahan)

1. Call to Order

Chair Just called the meeting to order at 8:34 a.m. Secretary Casarrubias did roll call amongst the committee members and guests.

Agenten joined at 8:38 a.m.

2. Approval of Minutes

Motion: Revoy moved, second by Ripple, to approve the CAFSAC minutes of July 16, 2020. Motion passed without a negative vote.

Cherone joined at 8:39 a.m.

3. Committee Business

Revoy and Just informed the committee members that it is time to vote again for who will be chair and vice Chair for the next term. Just explained to the committee how being chair for the committee was an educational and supportive experience. Just and Revoy explained what the positions entail, Revoy and Just requested the committee members to think about it, so that there could be a decision after the County Board Budget presentation from Menefee.

4. County Budget Presentation – Bob Menefee

Menefee shared some highlights of the budget.

- The HHS BOD appreciated and valued the CAFSAC presentation acknowledging the ongoing impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic.
- The HHS BOD reviewed key needs with County Executive Paul Farrow.
- Antwayne Robertson, HHS Executive Director, specifically noted the positive impact the Community Based Organizations have on the health of Waukesha County residents.
- It is unknown if any COVID-19 support will be made available from State or Federal sources in 2021.
- The HHS BOD approved the 2021 HHS Budget on July 9, 2020.
- The HHS BOD will present budget to County Executive on August 13, 2020.

5. Foster parents and families – Kathleen Mullooly and Michelle Lim

Lim is the Foster Care and Support Services Supervisor at Health and Human Services. Lim informed the committee members there are not enough foster homes and are always needing more homes to be

licensed. In 2019, the foster care program licensed 19 new foster homes. This year of 2020, the goal is to license 20 new foster homes, while retaining the current foster homes licensed, this goal was determined in knowing if they would be able to support them. There has been an increase in inquiries about becoming a foster parent by 50%. The program is on track of getting homes licensed. The program has 8 new general licensed foster homes, and 6 homes that have done all the paperwork.

HHS foster home staff have created a social media group specifically for foster parents surrounding COVID-19, where the foster parents can share ideas to keep the children busy such as art projects, virtual school tips

6. CAFSAC Official vote

Motion: Ripple moved, second by Villarreal to nominate Revoy as the new chair for the next term. Motion passed without a negative vote.

Motion: Mehring moved, second by Ripple to nominate Villarreal as the new vice-chair for the next term. Motion passed without a negative vote.

The new term for these positions will begin September of 2020.

7. Reports

a. HHS Board Liaison Report

No report.

b. HHS Staff Liaison Report

i. Agency readiness for the Family First Prevention Act, FFPA – Eric Calvino

Calvino provided a handout, please see attachment.

c. Coordinated Services Team Initiative (CST) – Amanda Huber

Huber reported that the CST committee had their first meeting in June since COVID-19 started. The CST committee will be focusing on adding some educational segments at the upcoming meetings.

8. Agency Updates/Announcements

Ripple announced that the advocates that work with the non-residential clients at the Women's Center are now back on site for limited appointments. The staff has separated the appointments and the offices in where each one works to accommodate the social distancing. The Women's Center was able to provide face masks, disposable gloves, and wipes for all staff and clients.

Revoy reported that Elevate is wanting to do Narcan trainings again, the agency is looking to have these trainings be informal and how the situation of COVID-19 and wearing masks would affect the way a person in helping someone who needs Narcan administered.

9. Discuss Agenda Items for Next Meeting

The committee would like to discuss at the next meeting, again the reason why this committee gets together, how to move forward with CAFSAC, and re-election of 1/3 of the committee members.

10. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

11. Adjourn

Motion: Villarreal moved, second by Ripple, to adjourn the CAFSAC meeting at 10:06 a.m. Motion passed without a negative vote.

12. Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for August 20, 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 8/20/2020.