

OPEN MEETING MINUTES

**Waukesha County Human Services Center
Children and Family Services Advisory Committee (CAFSAC)
May 16, 2019**

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| Present CAFSAC Committee: | Laura Cherone, Pam Groh, Rob Jadrnicek, Lindsay Just, Maura McMahon, Raquel Mehring, Luke Pinion, John Schiraj, Karen Villarreal, Mary Wittwer |
| Absent CAFSAC Committee: | Kristin Agenten, Sara Barron, Darlene Johnson, Sarah Matson, Mary Adele Revoy, Diane Ripple |
| HHS Board Liaison: | Bob Menefee |
| HHS Staff Liaison: | Kathy Mullooly, Lisa Roberts |
| Guests: | Danielle Birdeau, Carly Chicantek, Renee Ramirez, Michelle Schmolesky, Linda Wetzel |

1. Call to Order

Chair Just called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m.

Introductions were exchanged amongst the committee members and guests.

2. Approval of Minutes

Motion: Jadrnicek moved, second by Villarreal to approve the CAFSAC minutes of April 18, 2019.
Motion passed unanimously.

3. Committee business

Just updated the committee that she still has not heard anything new in regards of the bylaws.

Just suggested that in the next meeting, start discussing the critical needs topic selections for next year, 2020. Groh added when an agency is speaking of the positives that are occurring in the agency for the community, the agency should also speak of what they are also lacking to help serve the community members of Waukesha County.

Cherone arrived at 8:40 a.m.

Jadrnicek inquired when will there be an answer to the critical needs topics that were presented in March. Roberts informed the committee that this may occur in October of 2019.

4. Foster Care –Kathy Mullooly

Tabled for a future meeting.

5. Family Services of Waukesha – Laura Cherone

Cherone does an overview through a Power Point, please see handout.

The Child Advocacy Resource and Empowerment (C.A.R.E.) center provides safety for children that have been traumatized any type of way, including witnessing domestic violence. The child is given a forensic interview at the C.A.R.E. center, which later is used if the case goes to trial. McMahon added that a child however, still must be present for cross examination. If the child is not present, the forensic interview from the C.A.R.E. center cannot be used.

Cooperative Parenting Center works with Carroll University to provide a parenting class, for divorcing parents with minor children. The class is mandated and must be taken before the divorce.

6. Truancy Manual Discussion – Luke Pinion

Pinion informed the committee that the truancy task force are statutory mandated to meet every four years. Pinion did an overview of the Truancy Task Force summary report and who were all involved. There were 19 school district staff in Waukesha County, including Waukesha County Social workers. All worked together to collaborate ideas and processes for dealing with truancy issues for the manual. The summary report was released earlier this year. Other school districts have reached out to Pinion in regards of seeing the document so that they can have something similar to work with.

7. Other

Non-profit organization for dental office – Renee Ramirez

Ramirez explains to the committee that the agency is a non-profit dental program that services children living in Waukesha County. The non-profit organization has provided service since May of 2008 and has served over 16,000 children, which are all either on Medicaid or they do not have insurance. The dental organization works with prenatal care coordinators, special needs patients referred by Children’s Hospital, and the Aging and Disability Resource center, providing care for adults over the age of 60 and do not have insurance. Ramirez informed the committee that the dental clinic should be used as a resource for foster children. When a client calls, they should speak to Carly as she is the intake worker in their office. The website is www.wccdentalclinic.org

Pinion leaves at 9:39 a.m.

8. Reports

a. HHS Board Liaison Report

Menefee reported that there is an accessible playground that is being planned to be built on the south side of the Health and Human Services building, and funding has begun for the structure of the playground.

9. Agency Updates / Announcements

Menefee informed the committee that the Lake Country Rotary will be doing an “Awareness to Vaping and Opioids” next Wednesday, May 22, 2019 located in the cafeteria of the Health and Human Services building at 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

Wetzel updated the committee that in October of 2018, Lutheran Social Services (LSS) was awarded the Department of Justice Grant, serving the younger crime victims. Wetzel continued that after 7 months, the budget has been approved. The programming will include an increase in home visitation services to populations of children who have been exposed to substance use disorder through their caregiver or prenatal.

Birdeau informed the committee that Waukesha County Suicide Prevention Initiative will have a one day conference on June 10, 2019 held at WCTC, slots available to youth at no cost. However there is a \$30 registration fee for everyone else. There are plans of having a total of 3 speakers, and will also be showing a screening of "Hoan Alone"

Also a Crisis Intervention training will occur on June 4, 2019 and June 5, 2019 that is youth focused. Location was not given.

Suicide Prevention Initiative will have a one day Question Persuade, and Refer (QPR) train the trainer event. Seeking more trainers in the community. Limited to 20 slots, looking for people throughout the community whom are willing to take the training and afterwards going out and doing the QPR training. A date has not been decided, however tentatively the date is July 18, 2019.

Roberts leaves at 9:58 a.m.

Mehring reported that Parents Place received a grant from the Department of Children and Family to work with the Community Response Program. Schmolesky is the new Community Response specialist, and Schmolesky will be working with families who have been called in for a referral, and whose case is closed or unsubstantiated, so that those families do not re-enter the system.

Addiction Resource Council (ARC) will be having their 50 year anniversary event on August 28, 2019 from 6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. A location was not provided at this time.

Wetzel leaves at 10:00 a.m.

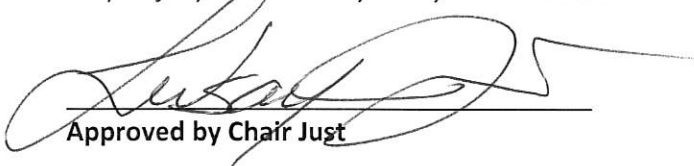
10. Adjourn

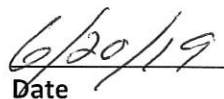
Motion: Villareal moved, second by Groh to adjourn the CAFSAC meeting at 10:01 a.m. Motion passed unanimously.

11. Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for June 20, 2019 at 8:30 a.m. in Room 271 of the Human Services Center, 514 Riverview Avenue.

Respectfully submitted by Mireya Casarrubias


Approved by Chair Just


Date