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Public Meeting
Regional Service Council
Region 10
August 15, 2014

Council Members in Attendance

P. Surbey, Chair, Region 10 Director; Melinda Schwer, DCS Legal; M. Locotosh, Foster Parent; A. Johnson, DCS Deputy Director; C. Ball, MCPO; Carolee Couch, DCS Reg Serv Coordinator; M. Schadler, DCS Supervisor; K. Stephenson, DCS Supervisor; K. Reid, DCS Division Manager; A. Foxworthy, DCS Supervisor; B. Ping, Juvenile Ct; G. Ellis, Child Advocates; P. Haughn, MCPO; M. McGeney, DCS Division Manager

Visitors

H.Hunter, Youth Outlook, Inc; M. Jessup, Ascent 121; K.Holmes, Capitol City; S. Hawks, Youth Villages; N. Orange, Fam & Comm Partners; E. Davis, Connections, Inc; T Garcia, SECS; Angel, Damar; J. McManus, Damar; K. Tillman, Choices; S. Frank, Resource; E. Chapline, Resource; B. Gatling, Resource; E. Sanchez, Pathway International; K. Edgemon, The Villages; L. Williams, Whites Residential & Family Services; Am Ames, Stopover, Inc; C. Modisette, Stopover, Inc; J. Kline, Children's Bureau; M. Sneed & H. Champoux, Lifeline Youth and Family Serv; D. Moore & N. Carroll, The Master's Touch; D. King, NYAP; K. Stevenson, Alliance for Life; C.Hines, Inner Beauty/New B.O.Y

Introduction of Members/Housekeeping

A quorum of members introduced themselves. June 20, 2014 minutes were reviewed and approved. Minutes will be sent to be posted on the website within 10 days. Inner Beauty/New BOY allocation for 60,000 that was tabled at the June meeting had been reviewed and followed up on and was brought up for a vote. The motion was carried and passed. Another tabled allocation from the June meeting was the Safe Sleep program.

A couple of meetings were held regarding the issue and at this time the Department of Health is unable to take on this initiative at this time but they are working on it. During a meeting with Dr. Hibbard, she was willing to continue the program for another 90 days and reevaluate in September. Due to the concern that there would a lag time and the program possible not be offered, P. Surbey approved the continuation of the pack and plays/education and salary of worker for 90 days. Members were asked for approval of the 90 day continuation in the amount of \$20,625. Motion was carried and passed.

All the MOU's were sent out and returned in a timely manner. J. Klein hosted a meeting for the providers at The Family Support Center. All providers attended except 2.



Protecting our children, families and future

P.Surbey updated the council on a small amount of money that was allocated for her to use on something that looked like a good program initiative. She is working with J. Brandon at MCCOY to bring in Christian Moore to do some work with providers in our community. S. Martin stated Christian is due to be in town on September 11 and they negotiated a reduced cost of the training material and training.

Prevention Proposal: Review/Vote

S. Frank gave a presentation on Transitional Living Unit for Females. The building they are looking at is on the grounds of Resource and would be a step down from Resource. This would be a 10 bed facility for ages 12-20 years with 24 hour supervision and still receive group and supportive service while at the same time get back into school, job with the added support. The average length of stay is estimated to be 3-12 months. A motion was made to agree that there is a need in the community for such facility and to move forward to the state for licensing. Motion was carried and passed.

RFP Update

C. Couch spoke about requests for proposals for the Fatherhood Engagement Program. There were 6 that were submitted and scored. 3 of them stood out but it was decided as a group that they could only take 2. The 3 that were on the top were Master's Touch Counseling, Families First and Family and Community Partners. P. Surbey suggested all three of the agency be included due to the great need in the community. After much discussion a motion was made to accept all 3 to be able to negotiate with CO for a contract. The motion was carried and passed.
Monitor DCS website for information on RFP's.

Committee Updates

P. Surbey recognized one of the council members, Mike Locotosh, who was voted Foster Parent of the Year and was recently recognized a recent Fever Game.

Other Updates

J. Kline wanted to recognize Greg Ellis had been given the Roberta West Nicholson award through the Children's Bureau recently.

Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. Motion was carried and passed.