

PAC MINUTES

Children, Youth and Family PAC
March 12, 2021
Minutes Recorder, Dawn Buchholz

PAC Member Attendance—via Zoom

Vicki Tylka, Chair	Brent Ruehlow, Chair	Liza Daleiden
Dawn Buchholz, Chair	Kelly Oleson	Tracy Puent
Martha Stacker	Carrie Anderson	Sue Sleezer
Alyssa Schultz	Annette Beattie	Scott Shackelford
Coral Kline	Lisa Broll	Diane Cable
Terry Barningham	Eric Calvino	Pat Lancour

I. Call to Order

II. Attendance taken: Others present via Zoom: Rachel Heydlauff, Root Inc.; Darin Smith, PDS; Bridget Chybowski, DMCPs; Katie Davis, WCHSA; Wendy Henderson, DCF; John Elliott, DCF; John Tuohy, DCF; Ron Hermes, DJC; Lance Horozewski, DJC; Linda Hall, Office of Children’s Mental Health; Michelle Rawlings, DCF; Shelby McCulley, DCF; Emily Erickson, DCF; Kristen Anchor, DHS; Sarah Diedrick-Kasdorf, WCA; Jamie Keehn, DCF; Secretary of DCF Emilie Amundson; Secretary of DOC Kevin Carr; Melissa Roberts, DOC; Mary Dorn, Outagamie County; Scott Kornish, Outagamie County; Pamella Kernan, Clark County; Sarah Henery, DCF; Laura Allen, Root Inc.

III. Review and Approval of Minutes: Lisa made a motion to approve, Annette seconded, motion approved.

IV. Updates and Action Items

A. DCF Discussion

1. Biennial Budget overview:

A. Youth Justice Program changes as included in the budget: Secretary Amundson asked that our PAC continue to tell the child welfare and youth justice in our communities. Want to have blended funding model to meet needs of youth and families. Seems we are in-line with philosophy of changes. Budget changes will start the conversation and planning for making changes, although it is unlikely that Republicans will pass these changes. Secretary Carr added that the budget highlights what we really care about (i.e. revamping youth justice in WI). Specifically with a treatment and aftercare focus. Repealing SJO status and transferring those funds to counties (through Youth Aids) is

an important step in that direction, as is establishing SRCCCYs (run by the State or counties). Wendy reiterated that we really need to advocate for these changes with our legislators, including advocacy for the Milwaukee facility in order to keep more WI kids in WI. Shelby shared a time line of SB111. Also, kids could still go to state facilities (Lincoln Hills and Copper Lake will stay open until no longer needed). Ron stated that SJO, Type I, County commitments, Adult commitments are treated the same and are not different...they're all juveniles and receive the same services. Community Supervision will continue until the close of Lincoln Hills/Copper Lake.

2. Family First Prevention Services Act /Strategic Plan

- A. General Update: continue to make progress on plan and worker/stakeholder workgroup. QRTP still waiting on laws passing. Also working on prevention plan. Home Builders has a backlog. Jamie Keehn will lead communication plan.
- B. Phase 2 Change Management – next steps and update on final research: Root gave an overview of our change process. Need to blend the head and the heart to make sustainable change. They will be doing some user testing to make sure the process is working. Hoping to have the film developed by June. Plan is to reach CW teams first and then greater stakeholders (Court, schools, community, etc.).

3. IA Standards Memo feedback – has been submitted to DCF. Overall, feedback was very positive.

4. County Complaint Procedure

- A. Overview and comments – WCHSA is in the 45 day comment period. John did a high level overview for the PAC. Comment that having complaint procedure and form in our lobbies will likely not be helpful.

5. Other Updates:

- A. ICWA/Counties/DCF OE: recommendations and next steps will be discussed at April meeting.
 - 1. WICWA resources: Vicki will send out draft resource list to PAC. Tania to present at May meeting.
- B. Permanency Planning Charter Workgroup – Vision Book is complete, with a lot of great information included. Now looking at what our recommendations would be and will be presenting to the PAC to obtain input and approval.
- C. Rate Regulation: report coming in April.

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- D. Work Load/Case Load Study: dissemination plan at future meeting.
 - E. DSPS licensing issues: contact Sarah directly.
 - F. CFA Methodology Workgroup – will be meeting
 - G. Inter-county Agreement Workgroup – obtaining legal review and feedback
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- V. Professional Development System: continue working on new worker training curriculum.
 - VI. Office of Children’s Mental Health: will bring information learned from parent group at future meeting, as well as from youth group. Assisting DCF in bringing parent voice to strategic planning process. DCF will be hiring **Lived Experience Project Coordinator**
http://wisc.jobs/public/job_view.asp?annoid=104359&jobid=103873&org=437&class=07572&index=true
OCMH has summarized budget issues that affect children’s mental health, which is located on their website.
 - VII. Department of Corrections: looking at bringing back the residential piece of the GROW academy in late April.
 - VIII. DHS: Youth crisis facility—Milwaukee is up and running for kids age 13 -17 (average stay is 15 days, as opposed to 3-5 day average that was anticipated). Looking at adding kids 10- 17 on different floor of the facility. North Central has not yet submitted application. Ashland has submitted application and waiting on approval. North Central youth hospital up and running. Hoping to expand the offer of bed space.
 - IX. Follow-up:
 - A. Future Agenda Items: see above. **CQI Plan Do Study Act – Vicki will follow up with PDS; IL Outcomes report in May.**
 - X. Coral motioned to adjourn and adjournment approved.