

MEETING OF THE WCHSA EXECUTIVE BOARD

Thursday, August 5, 2021

(Zoom Only)

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by President Diane Cable at 9:30 a.m.

Zoom Attendance:

Katie Davis, Patricia Lancour, Renee Krueger, Diane Cable, Jen Steber, Doreen Lang, Geri Vanevenhoven, John Rathman, Kathy Welke, Bob Rohret, Kathy Markeland (WAFCA), Pamella Kernan, Molli Eckelberg, Jill Bender, Ray Przybelski, Matt Strittmater, Nina Taylor, Liza Drake, Paul Grahovac, Vicki Tylka, Jason Jerome, Jenny Hoffman, Dan McWilliams, Paula Winter, Dawn Buchholz, Deb Suchla, Patricia Dodge, Tom Slaney, Terry Barningham, Jeff Lockhart, Sue Voigt, Julie Anstett (DHS), Sarah Reese-Socha, Jim LeDuc, Sarah Diedrick-Kasdorf (WCA), John Tuohy (DCF), Kathi Cauley, Doreen Wehmas, Shawn Tessmann, Bill Topel, Tonya Eichelt, Greg Erickson, Sara Benedict, Dave Longsdorf, Todd Campbell, Ron Hamilton, Dan Williams, Cally Bucknell, Mandy Stanley, Liza Daleiden, Chris Hovell, Liz Aldred, Beth Roberts, Joe Krebsbach, Dave Rynders, Kate Luster, Dava Varana (DHS), Becky Granger (DHS)

Approval of July 1, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes:

A **MOTION** to approve was made by Liza Drake with a second by [REDACTED]. **MOTION** carries.

President's Report – Diane Cable provided a verbal report.

Treasurer's Report – Deb Suchla provided an overview of the written report submitted.

Executive Director's Report – Katie Davis noted that DSPS is attending September board meeting to discuss credentialing delays. Bi-weekly COVID calls to resume.

Regional Updates

Northern – Ray Przybelski

- No Meeting & no updates.

Northeastern – Jason Jerome

- Discussed ARPA funds, telework, new CLTS staff across region, RCC utilization/provider availability, CFA allocation proposal.

Western – Tonya Eichelt

- Discussed level 5 foster homes and licensing and staffing barriers – lack of resources available; ARPA funds; CFA allocation; child advocacy centers

Southeastern – Liza Drake

- Discussed 988 lifeline, presentation from Wisconsin Community Services re: facilities; DOC memo re: daily rate.

Southern – Dan McWilliams

- Discussed CFA allocation, kinship care.

Partner Agency Reports

Department of Health Services – Julie Anstett provided a written report and highlighted CLTS continuous enrollment, available CIT training

Department of Children and Families – John Tuohy provided a written report

Department of Corrections – No updates

WCWPDS – No updates

Office of Children’s Mental Health – Linda Hall provided a brief update about recent youth listening sessions, clinicians from diverse cultures.

WCA – Sarah Diedrick-Kasdorf provided an update on subsidized guardianship legislation; limited legislative activity right now; heads up on using ARPA funds for childcare/discussion with WECA, will be further discussion virtually, look for email in next couple weeks.

Policy Advisory Committee Action Items/Reports

Behavioral Health – Todd Campbell

- Next meeting is August 27.

Children, Youth, and Families – Vicki Tylka

- Next meeting is August 13.

Economic Support – John Rathman

- Claribel Camacho retiring at end of August; thank you for serving as tri-chair!
- Welcome Kathy Welke from Eau Claire County – new tri-chair
- DHS submitted plan to FNS for ARPA IM funding – more information to come.
- Katie provided IM and childcare contract updates – in progress
- Next meeting is August 19.

Long Term Support – Deb Suchla

- No July meeting.
- Update on B-3 reviews; reviews will resume with new report format that focuses on the narrative and excludes cumulative scores. Counties who have received report, retract the scoring portion and focus on the narrative. BCS will issue memo summarizing the changes. PAC believes this issue has been appropriately addressed.
- Update on CLTS continuous enrollment – Deb Rathermel discussed statewide budgeting and enrollment for CLTS, effective August 1. Removes monthly batching, counties able to initiate enrollment continuously rather than monthly. Standards for compliance remain the same.
- Next meeting is August 6.

Association Business and Action Items:

- **ACTION:** Strategic planning facilitator
 - Katie shared draft request for information document for strategic planning consultant
 - **MOTION** by Vicki Tylka, second by Kate Luster to approve RFI for strategic planning and move forward with hiring a facilitator. **MOTION** carried.
- **DISCUSSION:** Children with complex care needs
 - Katie provided an update on WCHSA efforts with DCF, DHS, WAFCA to address service gaps for kids with complex care needs: joint meetings with DCF/DHS, WCHSA provided list of potential action items and DHS/DCF will review. Discussed with WAFCA

a potential summit. There is a need to coordinate the multiple efforts focused on this topic.

- **DISCUSSION: CFA methodology**
 - Discussion of initial regional feedback on CFA methodology proposal. Concern about redistributing funds without additional funding. Further discussion at September board meeting.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 pm.

Next WCHSA Executive Board Meeting

Thursday, September 2, 2021

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