

FAMILY RESOURCE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES—September 14 , 2015

Present were: Sue Sleezer, DHHS Children & Family Services Unit Manager; Gail Olson, Consumer; Renee Peters, DHHS Health Unit – Family Support/Birth-Three Program; Robin Morris, Parent; Tara Eichstedt, DHHS CST Coordinator; Anita Genrich, Clergy/Consumer Advocate; Kathy Munsey, DHHS Health Unit; Mark Podoll, Green Lake County Sheriff's Department; Shelby Jensen, Economic Support Unit Manager; Dick Trochinski, County Board Supervisor; Brenda Scofield, Parent; Tony Beregszazi, ADVOCAP; Jeri Loewe, DHHS Health Unit; Jordyn Spoolstra, DHHS Student Intern; Stephanie Simon, DHHS Community Response Social Worker; Pam Mork, Theda Care – CHN; Kari Schneider, DHHS Health Unit; Tina Osheim, Consumer/Parent; Desiree Corey, Berlin Community Daycare; Janice Button, Berlin Community Daycare; James Jaeger, Consumer Advocate; Dan Naylor, White Pine Consulting; Hope Prochnow, Parent; Joy Waterbury, County Board Supervisor; Linda Van Ness, DHHS Director

Certification of Open Meeting Law: The requirements of the open meeting law were certified as being met.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 11:44 a.m. by Sleezer.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Appearances/Introductions: Introductions of members were made and appearances were made.

Motion/Second (Trochinski/Beregszazi) to approve the amended agenda to include Community Response Program and Community Grant Application through Berlin Community Day Care. All ayes. Motion carried.

A Future agenda item would be the sub-committee for review of the Mission and Vision Statement for the Family Resource Council.

Minutes: Motion/second (Podoll/Trochinski) to approve the minutes of the December 1, 2014 meeting. All ayes. Motion carried.

Public Comment: None.

Correspondence: None.

DISCUSSION ON PROGRAMS/POLICIES:

Coordinated Services Teams: Eichstedt reported that the Coordinated Services Team program has 13 active teams presently. Eichstedt explained that Coordinated Services Team program is children & family teaming with children that have been identified as needing services. Eichstedt explained that this includes a wraparound program working with school, parents and providers and work as team. A main goal of the program is to keep the individual in the least restrictive setting. This is a voluntary program.

Naylor further explained the Coordinated Services Team and what tools are utilized to measure.

Sleezer reported regarding reports that have been recently submitted. Discussion followed.

Family Support: Peters reported what the Family Support Program is. Peters reported that there are currently 12 children in the Family Support Program in 2015. All the funds for 2015 are expected to be spent in 2015. Peters reported that 6-month updates are being completed to see if any changes are needed in services being provided. Peters reported what services were provided through the program. Peters reported that the Governor's budget that was passed this summer is eliminating the Family Support Program, however the funds are being merged into Children's COP (which stands for Community Options Program). Peters reported that she will be attending a meeting later this week regarding the program and will update the Committee with more information in the near future.

Peters reported that the Annual 2015 Family Support Program plan was submitted to the State on June 29, 2015. Peters had to review the program and inform of any changes which Peters reported there are none. Peters reported that in 2014 - 12 children were served and it is estimated that 12 children will be served in 2015.

Motion/second (Podoll/Olson) to approve the Annual Family Support Program plan that was submitted June 29, 2015. All ayes. Motion carried.

Discussion followed.

Birth-Three: Peters reported that 39 referrals in 2015 thus far. Peters reported that the number of eligible children and active individualized plans is 19. Discussion followed.

Comprehensive Community Services (CCS) Update: Sleezer reported that the re-certification is due in the near future and staff are at a meeting today. Committee members will be updated.

Naylor gave an updated regarding the 6 Regional update Consortium.

Discussion followed.

Family Find: Sleezer explained what the family find practice is. This helps bring the family to the table to help plan for permanency for the child if the child can not be returned to the parent. Discussion followed.

Health Unit: Maternal Child Health Update: Munsey updated Committee members regarding the Maternal Child Health program which is supported through grant funding.

Munsey reported and explained that Objective 7 – “Wisconsin Healthiest Families” has been what the funding has been focused on in the past. The other choice of objectives to work on was Objective 8 - “Keeping Kids Alive”.

Munsey reported that the State has a new 5 year plan which includes Objectives 1-6. (See attached.) The other two objectives 7 and 8 can still be goals this next year but after that must choose out of one of the Objectives 1-6. (Objective 1 – Breastfeeding; Objective 2 – Safe Sleep; Objective 3 – Developmental Screening; Objective 4 – Smoking; Objective 5 – Adolescent Suicide; Objective 6 – Adolescent Transportation-related injury).

Day Care Grant – Parents Interacting with Children: Loewe reported regarding a day care grant that Green Lake County Health Unit is assisting Community Day Care in writing to have parenting classes. Loewe further explained that in the grant they would like to include that the Family Resource Council will support, promote and help with referrals and support of these classes and to explore further funding opportunities. Discussion followed.

Desiree Christenson was present from Berlin Community Day Care to further explain their role through this grant.

Motion/second (Beregszazi/Olson) to support this Day Care Grant application – Parents Interacting with Children. All ayes. Motion carried.

Community Response Program and Quad Counties: Sleezer explained what the Community Response Program is and explained that Green Lake County is in the 5th year of the grant program. Sleezer explained that there is a website that has information regarding resources/services available.

Sleezer updated Committee members regarding the Quad Counties Committee and failure to get attendance at these meetings. Discussion followed.

Simons reported that they are having parenting groups and all current/past participants are invited to attend.

Committee Discussion: Munsey reported that they would like to review the by-laws and bring to a future meeting. Munsey and Sleezer will review the by-laws. Loewe suggests that the Mission and Vision be reviewed also. The documents will be sent to Committee members for review.

ADVOCAP: Beregszazi announced receiving a grant for Winnebago and Green Lake Counties for domestic abuse sheltered housing. The goal is to serve at least 30 women and their children over a 3-year period in the amount of \$300,000.00. Discussion followed. Beregszazi reported that ADVOCAP will be working in conjunction with Christine Anne Domestic Abuse Center.

Beregszazi reported regarding the Father & Family Stability project targeting dads with one child under the age of 6. Beregszazi reported that there has been funding for this program for four years. Beregszazi reported that they are applying for a new grant period.

Economic Support Unit: Shelby Jensen, Economic Support Unit Manager, reported that the Energy Assistance program is from October 1, 2015 – May 15, 2016. Jensen reported that it is important to apply during this time to be eligible for any other types of programs.

Jensen reported that there are many outreaches being held throughout the county. There are also outreaches at the Green Lake County DHHS every Wednesday starting October 7, 2015 from 8:30 – 11:00.

If an applicant is found eligible for Energy Assistance Program they are then referred to the Weatherization program through ADVOCAP if the need is there. Furnace repair/replacement is also eligible through ADVOCAP.

Discussion followed.

Sheriff's Department: No discussion.

Future Meeting Date: The next meeting is scheduled for December 7, 2015 at 11:30 a.m.

Future Agenda Items for Action/Discussion:

Motion/Second (Osheim/Trochinski) to adjourn the meeting. All ayes. Motion carried.

The discussion adjourned at 1:08 p.m.