

Richland County Youth and Family Council
April 8, 2021
Zoom Meeting and JFS Conference Room

The following Board members were

Present: Joe Trolan, Sharlene Neumann, Joe Devany, Hannah Crouch, Kevin Kimmel, Nikki Harless, Cindy Wroblewski, Tony Vero, Michele Giess, Sarah Humphrey, Mark Abrams, Dan Varn, Lisa Benson

Absent: Tiffany Ellenberger, Elizabeth Warner, Stan Jefferson, Kim Washington

Guests: Anne Vermillion, Julie Litt, Carmen Torrence, Lori Ramey, Nancy Hartman, Holly Christie, Renee Blashak for Mike Gardner

Teresa Alt, Executive Director was also in attendance.

1. Call to Order & Introductions:

President Joe Trolan called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m.

2. Approval of March 4th, 2021 meeting minutes:

Michele moved, and Joe Devaney seconded a motion to approve the March 4th minutes. The motion passed by a voice vote.

3. Treasurer's Report:

Carmen provided the February report. February monthly receipts were \$214,591.89, and expenditures were \$90,834.49 for a cash balance of \$1,980,590.80.

Sarah made a motion to approve the February report to file for audit as presented. Kevin seconded the motion. The motion passed by a voice vote.

4. Early Intervention Report

Julie provided the Early Intervention Report. There are 226 (+38) duplicated Early Intervention referrals. The EI team is looking to engage the families with three-year old's who are exiting throughout the summer until they can begin preschool.

5. Finance Committee Report:

Teresa Alt reported that the Finance Committee attended a Zoom training on Capacity and Infra-Structure for Wraparound Development. This is an effort to put the Council in position to respond quickly to OhioRISE and other modernization efforts for Family Children Councils. The Finance Committee will participate in these sessions for the next two months along with technical assistance calls.

6. Communities of Support Grant

Teresa shared the award letter with the Council. Although the letter is vague, it is good news that the application was reviewed and accepted. The Council requested \$10,000 for building capacity and \$40,000 for plans of safe care and residential after care services.

7. OhioRISE Update

Governor DeWine announced that Aetna Better Health of Ohio has been selected as the specialized managed care organization for OhioRISE (Ohio Resilience through Integrated Systems and Excellence). The OhioRISE program will address gaps in Ohio's health care system that currently result in 140 Ohio kids living out of state on any given day to access the behavioral health services they need. The OhioRISE managed care plan will fill in these gaps by developing a network of care management entities and by working with Ohio's behavioral health providers to offer new intensive coordination service for children and families statewide.

8. TANF Summer Youth Employment Program

The Council in collaboration with Job and Family Services will support up to 150 youth and 15 supervisors in providing meaningful work experience to low income youth. Catalyst also has a TANF contract for summer employment. The Council will work closely with them to ensure that both summer employment programs can reach youth and employers and provide meaningful work experiences.

Mark Abrams reported that the City of Mansfield will be participating in the summer feeding program at North Lake Park and Johns Park.

Nikki reported that April is Child Abuse Awareness Month. Wear Blue to work day is April 14th. Please take photos and send them to Brigitte Coles.

Adjournment:

Michele made a motion to adjourn. Sharlene seconded the motion. The motion passed by a voice vote.

President Joe Trolan adjourned the meeting.

Approved by the action of the Council on May 6th, 2021 and approval attest by:

Joseph Trolan, President

Teresa Alt, Executive Director