

Richland County Youth and Family Council
July 20, 2016
Richland County Children Services

The following Board members were

Present: Joe Devany, Lisa Hall, Patricia Harrelson, Linda T. Keller, Michele Giess, Susan Sheaffer, Karrie Starr, Martin Tremmel, and Kim Washington.

Excused: Sharlene Neumann, Katherine Gerhart, Dee Pendlebury, Joe Trolian, and Tim Wert.

Absent: Brian Garverick, and Daniel Varn.

Guests: Dale Au, Diane Bemiller, Deborah Dubois, Veronica Groff, Beth Hildreth, Sherry Branham, and Carmen Torrence.

Teresa Alt, Executive Director and Debra J. Boyer, Administrative Assistant were also in attendance.

1. Call to Order & Introductions:

President Joe Devany called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m. and observed a quorum. Those present introduced themselves. Council President for FY17, Joe Devany, thanked Past President Martin Tremmel for his service in FY16 and presented him with the traditional gavel.

2. Approval of Minutes June 15, 2016:

Patty Harrelson moved and Martin Tremmel seconded a motion to approve the June 15, 2016 minutes. The motion passed by a voice vote.

3. Treasurer's Report:

Carmen Torrence reviewed the June 2016 finance report.

Patty Harrelson moved and Linda T. Keller seconded a motion to file for audit the June 2016 monthly Treasurer's fiscal report as presented. The motion passed by a voice vote.

Carmen Torrence presented and reviewed for approval the FY17 Richland County Youth and Family Council budget.

Lisa Hall moved and Patty Harrelson seconded a motion to approve the FY17 Richland County Youth and Family Council budget as presented. The motion passed by a voice vote.

4. Finance Committee:

Teresa Alt reviewed the Finance Committee report. The balance available to commit is \$429,866.05. Teresa informed Council that Parent Aide, Catalyst Life Services, and Richland Public Health have been awarded contracts based on their response to the Council RFP. The contracts were presented to the Richland County Commissioners on June 28, 2016 for final approval. Teresa also noted that the Strong Families, Safe Communities grant year which ended June 30, 2016 has been renewed for SFY17.

5. Healthier Buckeye:

Teresa updated Council on the progress being made on the Healthier Buckeye pilot grant. Services cannot be billed to the pilot grant until a purchase order has been approved. HBC is currently waiting on the purchase order, but have currently received seventeen applications for review, mostly from Madison Adult Education. The purchase order should be approved any day now.

6. TANF Back to School Program:

Teresa thanked MidOhio Education Service Center for once again allowing us to use their facility for distribution of book bags and clothing vouchers on August 9, 10, and 11, 2016. Teresa also thanked the Cross Roads volunteers for sorting and stuffing 1,500 book bags, the New Store for their continued support and assistance with this project, and Job and Family Services for funding for this project and for funding for uniforms for Mansfield Senior and Jr. high students, and to all the JFS employee volunteers for their dedication to the project.

7. Help Me Grow Report:

Dale Au presented the June 2016 update to Council regarding Help Me Grow, including the number of children being served, number of referrals by month, and child find activities.

8. Newborn Home Visit Report:

Martin Tremmel presented the report for July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016. The Richland Public Health nursing staff has completed 260 total visits, with 10 of those visits in Shelby City.

9. Multi - system Youth Committee ~ Wraparound:

The Joint Legislative Committee on Multi - system youth provided a report on their recommendations to improve the system so that parents will not have to relinquish custody of their children to access behavioral health services and developmental services. Modernizing the Family Children First Councils was mentioned in the report more than once. High Fidelity Wraparound was mentioned several times also. Discussion was held regarding local efforts at High Fidelity Wraparound. Teresa will continue to follow the work of the committee and any group that is charged with following up on the report and recommendations.

10. Adjournment:

President Joe Devany adjourned the meeting at 2:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Debra J. Boyer, Administrative Assistant to the Richland County Youth and Family Council.

Approved by the action of the Council on September 7, 2016 and approval attest by:

Joseph Devany, President

Teresa Alt, Executive Director