

# Greene County Family and Children First Full Council Meeting Minutes August 1, 2016

THOSE PRESENT:

MELISSA BAUGHN	GC – FCF FAMILY STABILITY
KATHLEEN DIEGELMAN	FAMILY SOLUTIONS CENTER
MARLENE ELLIOTT	PASS IT ON
ROBYN FOSNAUGH FOR MELISSA BRANUM	GC PUBLIC HEALTH
WENDY CRIDLEBAUGH FOR KATHY GORBY	COUNCIL ON RURAL SERVICES
TERRY GRAVES-STRIETER	GC EDUCATIONAL SERVICES CENTER
BRANDON HUDDLESON	GC ADMINISTRATOR
BRENT LEWIS	GC FAMILY & CHILDREN 1ST
CURTIS WINGARD FOR JOHN MARTIN	GC DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT
DEBORAH MATHESON	FVPC
DR. GRETA MAYER	MHRB
TOM OTTO	TCN
LIBBY POWERS	GC FCF – FAMILY VISITATION CENTER
BETH RUBIN	GC DJFS
BILL VOSKUHL	GC JC
CHUCK WYSS	OHIO DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH SERVICES
RACHEL MILLER	COUNCIL ON RURAL SERVICES
ELIZABETH SMITH	COUNCIL ON RURAL SERVICES
EMY FUNDERBURG	PARENT ADVOCACY CONNECTION
ERIN FAWLEY	OSU EXTENSION SNAP-Ed
JANE DOCKERY	WRIGHT STATE UNIVERSITY
KIM CERNEY	GC FCF
DEB CORDELL	GC FCF

MS. MATHESON CALLED THIS MEETING TO ORDER AT 9:00 a.m.

## REVIEW/APPROVAL OF THE MAY 2016 MEETING MINUTES – MS. MATHESON

THE MAY MINUTES WERE REVIEWED. AS THERE WERE NO ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS FROM THE GROUP A MOTION TO APPROVE WAS MADE BY MS. RUBIN AND SECONDED BY MS ELLIOTT. THE MOTION CARRIED.

## REVIEW/APPROVAL OF AUGUST 2016 PROGRAM REPORT – MS. MATHESON

THE AUGUST 2016 PROGRAM REPORT WAS REVIEWED. MR. LEWIS WANTED TO ADD TO THE FAMILY STABILITY PROGRAM AND HIGH FIDELITY WRAP AROUND STATING THAT FOR THE FIRST TIME THERE IS A WAITING LIST. SHARED YOUTH PLACEMENT HAS 4 CHILDREN IN PLACEMENT AND THEY ARE REVIEWING 13 CHILDREN IN COLLABORATION WITH DJFS.

MS. MATHESON ASKED FOR A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE REPORT AS PRESENTED. A MOTION TO APPROVE WAS MADE BY DR. MAYER AND SECONDED BY MR. HUDDLESON. THE MOTION CARRIED.

## COMMITTEE AND TASK FORCE REPORTS

### ➤ STEERING COMMITTEE – Ms. Matheson

IT WAS REPORTED THAT THE JUNE MEETING WAS BUSINESS AS USUAL WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE ANNUAL NOMINATIONS FOR VICE CHAIR. MS. STRIETER AGREED TO BE NOMINATED FOR THIS POSITION. SHE THEN ASKED FOR ANY OTHER NOMIINATIONS FROM THE FLOOR.

THERE WERE NO NEW NOMINATIONS FROM THE FLOOR SO MS. MATHESON ASKED FOR A MOTION TO ACCEPT MS. STRIETER FOR THE POSITION OF VICE CHAIR FOR THE 2017/2018 TERM. MOTION TO APPROVE WAS MADE MY MS. RUBIN AND SECONDED BY MR. VOSKUHL. THE MOTION CARRIED.

### ➤ FAMILY ADVISORY COMMITTEE – Mr. Lewis

MR. LEWIS ADVISED THAT WITH HIS NEW POSITION AS DIRECTOR, THIS COMMITTEE IS AN AREA OF FOCUS FOR HIM AS WE DON'T HAVE INVOLVEMENT FROM THE FAMILIES THAT WE ARE SERVING AT THIS TIME. HE IS WORKING WITH MELISSA BAUGHN TO IDENTIFY A MINIMUM OF THREE FAMILIES THAT WOULD BE WILLING TO PARTICIPATE. THIS COMMITTEE IS A STATE EXPECTATION AND WE WERE GIVEN A ONE-TIME WAIVER LAST YEAR SO IT IS CRUCIAL THAT WE ENGAGE FAMILIES THIS YEAR.

AS A SIDE NOTE, WE HAVE ASKED FOR AN EXTENSION ON OUR OCBF/SHARED PLAN APPLICATION SO IT WILL GIVE US A LITTLE MORE TIME TO SECURE THE FAMILY REQUIREMENT THAT IS NEEDED.

➤ AUDIT FINANCE COMMITTEE – Ms. Matheson

MS. MATHESON ADVISED THAT THIS COMMITTEE MET PRIOR TO THIS FULL COUNCIL MEETING. THEY WENT OVER THE FISCAL REPORT TO DATE AND THE GRANT SPEND OUTS. BUSINESS IS RUNNING SMOOTHLY AT FAMILY & CHILDREN FIRST AND SHE THANKED THE STAFF FOR THEIR REPORTS.

➤ E3C – Ms. Gorby/Ms. Hamer

IN MS. GORBY'S ABSENCE MS. CRIDLEBAUGH REPORTED THAT AT THEIR LAST MEETING THEY VOTED MS. PAM HAMER WITH HELP ME GROW AS THEIR NEW PRESIDENT.

➤ EmP3 YOUTH TASK FORCE – Mr. Lewis/Ms. Pollock

MR. LEWIS REPORTED THAT THIS GROUP WILL BE TRANSITIONING FROM EmP3 TO THE YOUTH MOVE PROGRAM. WE HAD SOMEONE FROM THE STATE COME IN AND DO A 2 DAY LEADERSHIP TRAINING WHERE WE HAD 8 YOUTH PARTICIPATE. OF THOSE 8 WE HAVE HAD 5 THAT HAVE REALLY ENGAGED IN THIS NEW PROGRAM. THEY ARE CURRENTLY WORKING ON SERVICE PROJECTS THAT FOCUS ON ANTI-BULLYING AND SUICIDE PREVENTION. AND THEY WOULD LIKE TO SEE ABOUT PARTICIPATING IN FIRST FRIDAYS IN XENIA TO RAISE AWARENESS OF THE YOUTH MOVE PROGRAM TO GET MORE KIDS FROM OTHER SCHOOL DISTRICTS INVOLVED. MR. LEWIS FINDS THIS PROGRAM VERY PROMISING AS THE KIDS ARE VERY EXCITED ABOUT IT. THERE HAS ALSO BEEN A LOT OF POSITIVE FEEDBACK FROM THE STATE AND FEDERAL LEVELS. ONCE THIS GROUP HAS ELECTED OFFICERS HE WOULD LIKE THEM TO PARTICIPATE AT THE FULL COUNCIL MEETINGS WHEN THEY OCCUR. DISCUSSION INVOLVED THE KINDS OF KIDS THAT THIS GROUP WOULD LIKE TO SEE INVOLVED.

PRESENTATION

Jane Dockery - Applied Policy Research Institute – Wright State University

In relation to Western Ohio Regional Prevention Council, Comprehensive Needs Assessment and Prevention Plan Workgroup.

OCTF i.e. OHIO CHILDREN'S TRUST FUND, HAS MOVED TO A REGIONAL APPROACH TO CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT PREVENTION. THERE ARE EIGHT REGIONS WITHIN THE STATE OF OHIO. GREENE COUNTY IS LOCATED IN THE WESTERN OHIO REGION. MS. DOCKERY WAS PRESENTING TO THIS GROUP TODAY BY WAY OF POWER POINT, THE STATISTICAL VARIABLES AND CAUSES OF ABUSE AND NEGLECT AND GET FEEDBACK FROM THE DIFFERENT ORGANIZATIONS THAT SERVE CHILDREN IN THE FULL COUNCIL GROUP. FEEDBACK WAS GIVEN AND MS. DOCKERY WAS APPRECIATIVE.

## OTHER ITEMS AT THE DISCRETION OF CHAIR/DIRECTOR

MR. LEWIS UPDATED THE GROUP AS TO THE CHANGES WITHIN THE FAMILY & CHILDREN FIRST PROGRAMMING AS REGARDS THE FAMILY RESOURCE CENTERS. IN JAMESTOWN WE HAVE CLOSED THE PHYSICAL LOCATION BUT WE WILL CONTINUE KID'S CLUB WHEN SCHOOL RESUMES WITH THE HELP OF THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AS THEY HAVE GIVEN US SPACE IN THEIR BUILDING. IN BELLBROOK, WE HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH THE LOCAL MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION TO SHIFT THE BASIC NEEDS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM TO THE VOLUNTEERS. WHILE WE ARE STILL PROVIDING ASSISTANCE, THEY ARE RUNNING THE PROGRAM ON THEIR OWN. WE DO CONTINUE TO DO KID'S CLUB EVERY TUESDAY FROM 4:00 TO 5:30 DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR.

WITH THE PREVENTION PROGRAM WE WILL BE USING THE PAX GOOD BEHAVIOR PROGRAM AND THE KERNELS FOR LIFE. THIS IS A COMMUNITY BASED PROGRAM THAT TIES IN WITH PAX. AT THIS TIME WE ARE IN THE VERY EARLY STAGES AND ANNA CARRERA WILL BE INSTRUMENTAL IN DEVELOPING THIS PROGRAM FOR ALL OF GREENE COUNTY. SHE IS ALREADY INTRODUCING SOME OF THE KERNELS IN HER PARENTING CLASSES.

## PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- Mr. Voskuhl announced that they have a new magistrate Stephanie Stephan that will be replacing Amy Bolen who is retiring.
- Dr. Mayer stated that MHRB co-sponsored along with Greene ESC and the Safe Schools Healthy Students Grant a Foundational Prevention Training. What we are doing in Greene County is building capacity to do prevention work that fits in with what Ms. Dockery was presenting. She invited the group to attend future trainings that include mental health and alcohol and drug prevention.
- Ms. Powers thanked the MHRB for the mini grant they received to help get their mini garden project started in the rear yard of their facility. The families that use the Visitation Center will have the ability to have a garden space of their own. It also facilitates more activities for the family and help them to build a foundation for a healthier lifestyle.
- Mr. Otto updated the group about TCN's work with the high risk men and women who are coming out of jail and on opiates. They currently have about 50 clients who are on vivitrol. This drug keeps them from future highs from opiates which gives them a pathway to recovery. This program is becoming more popular with the County, local PD's and Judges.

- Ms. Diegelman shared Family Solution Centers partnering with Juvenile Court on a new program called New Beginnings. This is a 90-day, intensive, cognitive behavioral therapy program for youth including mental health counseling and parental involvement. Youth referred to this program will be from Judge Tornichio and the magistrates. The goal is for rehabilitation and to keep them out of DYS and higher levels of care.
- Ms. Fawley shared that OSU Extension has begun the Cooking Matters series for adults. This provides cooking and shopping skills much of which has been taken out of the schools. She passed out a flyer announcing the 2<sup>nd</sup> series of six classes which will begin August 25<sup>th</sup>. These classes will be targeting pregnant women or women who have a child under the age of one and who qualify for food assistance. Future classes will target WIC and SNAP recipients.
- Ms. Funderburg from Parent Advocacy Connection passed around their flyer. This group helps parents navigate through the systems of care that their children may be involved with.
- Mr. Huddleson asked for help from the group to get the word out that the Family Resource Centers are transitioning and they did not close. It is very important that people understand that those resources are still there. In Jamestown the basic needs assistance is being met by the Jamestown Ministerial Association as well as in Bellbrook. We will continue to assist these two groups as much as possible.
- Ms. Elliott announced the Greene County Housing Program Inc. is having a Zumbathon in September. Please contact Penny Madry Johnson for the date and flyer. It will be held at Body of Christ Church in Fairborn. This is a fundraiser for the local shelters. She also gave highlights of Pass-It-On ministries and the work they are doing.
- Ms. Strieter announced staff additions and changes and updated the group on the Safe Schools Healthy Students grant.
- Ms. Criddlebaugh from CORS said that both Fairborn and Xenia have openings to start school. She went on to explain what CORS and the Head Start Program are and asked the group to keep them in mind when parents are looking for a pre-school for their children. They have two programs, one for birth to 5 YO and another for 3 to 5 YO children. She also passed around folders and bags of promotional information and items.
- Ms. Fosnaugh of GC Public Health stated that they had finished up the grant requirements with Five Rivers last week. This provides an opportunity for a community health center in Greene County. They will know the outcome in January and if rewarded there will be a 120 day period to get it set up. She also announced the ground breaking ceremony coming up on Thursday, August 4<sup>th</sup> for the new hospital and everyone is invited.
- Mr. Lewis added that there were several in the room today who are on the Greene County Drug Coalition. This group meets once a month. He also discussed the many projects they are addressing.

- Ms. Rubin shared that August is Child Support Awareness month. She shared statistics for the State as well as Greene County. She also noted that Greene County is the most cost effective program in the State.
- Ms. Matheson highlighted that coming up, October is Domestic Violence Awareness month and they will again have a candlelight vigil at Shawnee Park in Xenia. She also made the group aware that she is the Shelter Chair for the Shelter Provider Committee for the shelters that provide assistance in Greene County for families. Those include Interfaith Hospitality and Greene County Housing Program Inc. both providing services to families. Family Violence Prevention serves victims of physical, emotional and sexual assault and human trafficking and stalking. They can provide a place to stay for these victims. The gap currently is providing services for single adults. They are working closely with law enforcement to provide services for all of these folks.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved:

*Kim Cerney*

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