

Regional Service Council Minutes Region # 15

Meeting Date: January 6, 2016

Meeting Location: Ripley County DCS, Versailles 47042

Council Members Present:

Barbara Bowling, Regional Manager; Sandra Ante, Director; Sandy Thurston, Director; Gary Keith, Director; Michelle Smith, Director/Supervisor; Steven Cruse, FCM; Amy Phillips, Foster/Adopt Parent/YES Home

Council Members Present by proxy:

Dena Steiner, Proxy for Dearborn County Judge

Council Members Absent:

Chad Lewis, Prosecutor

Others In Attendance:

Bob Daugherty, Regional Finance Manager; Erica Roberts, CP/IHBS; Nick Miller, CP/IHBS; Teresa Nobbe, Clerical; Megan Lammert, Services Coordinator (covering for Micci Frye)

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Called to Order at: 9:05 am

- I. Welcome/Roll Call Barbara Bowling called meeting to order; introductions completed.
- II. Approval of November 18, 2015 RSC Minutes
 - A. Sandy Ante made a Motion to approve; Michelle Smith second; all in favor.

III. PROGRAMS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Community Partners: Erica Roberts/Nick Miller
 - 1. Handouts: Monthly Summary; Closed Case Summary; Referrals Received; Budget Report. Talked briefly about each report.

- 2. Erica shared a success story.
- 3. Due to a large percentage of DCS referrals, Nick offered to attend local office staffings to update (new) workers on services available. Nick will contact LODs to set up date/time.



- B. Regional Finance Manager: Bob Daugherty
 - 1. Handout: YTD Comparison / Cumulative for 12/2015 Budget increase of approx 40% overall (costs are up & serving more families).



- C. Regional Services Coordinator: Megan Lammert for Micci Frye
 - 1. Discussion and approval of 2016 Biennial Action Plan See: **New Business**.
- D. Biennial Plan Update
 - 1. No further updates on 2015 Action Plan. See: New Business

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Amy Phillips made a Motion to approve 2016 RSC schedule; Steve Cruse second; all in favor.

2016 RSC Schedule is as follows:

January 6:	9 am	Ripley County DCS
April 20:	1:30 pm	Ripley County DCS
July 20:	1:30 pm	Ripley County DCS
Sept 21:	1:30 pm	Ripley County DCS
Nov 16:	1:30 pm	Ripley County DCS

V. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Region 15 / Approval of 2016 Biennial Action Plan
 - 1. Voting members received a copy of the proposed plan. Megan Lammert read plan and asked if anyone wished to amend.

- Amy Phillips asked to add One Community One Family as a responsible party under (Goal): Increase community members' awareness and understanding of preventative efforts & (Action Step): Promote community's understanding of protective factors.
- Amy Phillips asked to add Local Coordinating Councils (LCC) as a responsible party under (Goal): Enhance the community's knowledge of available and effective substance use disorder treatment programs. (Action Step): Enhance communication and information sharing between DCS and providers to ensure valuable assessments and effective treatment plans that will impact positive child welfare outcomes.
- B. Sandy Ante made a Motion to approve amended 2016 Biennial Plan; Gary Keith second; all in favor. Voting members signed approval sheet, which will be included in Biennial Plan.





Plan

Protocols:

C. MISCELLANEOUS:

1. Discussion about lack of providers in Dearborn County – (statewide problem). Providers at meeting (Ireland & Youth Villages) stated they are aware and working diligently to find solutions. YV stated Tier 3 would allow them to hire Bachelor's level HB workers – both providers acknowledged it's hard to find Master level workers for rural areas. Discussed possible solutions (Job Fairs, contacting local colleges, advertising in local papers, etc.)

Next Meeting Date, Location and Time:

April 20, 2016 / Versailles DCS Training Room / 1:30 pm

Meeting Adjourned at: 10:00 am

Amy Phillips made a motion to adjourn; Michelle Smith seconded; all in favor.