

**UMATILLA COUNTY COMMISSION ON CHILDREN & FAMILIES**  
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**May 5, 2010**

Members present: Larry Hanson, Crystal Long, Kim Noisey, Arron Swenson, Anne Doherty, Val Gawf & Theresa Elisoff.

Members absent: Regina Marks, Nora Kramer & Sheri Maze (all excused)

Staff present: Shelley Ena & Melvalee Carter

Guests: Sherra Alford, Misty Haynie, Cheryl Davis, Connie Caplinger, Chris Cooper & Jamie Niord

Meeting minutes: The minutes of the March 31, 2010 were approved with a motion being made by Crystal and seconded by Kim. Motion was approved.

**Presentation:**

- Sherra, Misty and Cheryl presented information on the recent conferences they attended through the funding of the community project application. They explained how the sexuality conference information learned will be used within the health dept. and the clients they see. Misty explained new technologies that the health dept. is looking at. They now have a Face book website and are looking at other options such as texting appointment reminders to clients. Misty talked about how the health dept. is looking at a way to work with developmentally delayed students on sexual health issues. All three women were very thankful for the opportunity to attend these conferences.
- Chris Cooper spoke on behalf of the CASA program. He updated everyone on what the program does and how recruiting is coming along. He gave everyone a folder with information on the program along with applications to pass out.

**Reports:**

- Shelley gave an update on the recent meetings and activities she's attended. A copy of the upcoming calendar was shared with all. The State is having a leadership meeting in Boardman in July for that group. Shelley is a part of the group and will be attending. Kim asked for more detail on the blue ribbon committee. Kim wondered if it is possible to just "bullet" or summarize the areas that need to be looked at. She really doesn't need to read everything else unless she wants to. Possibly a summary page. Shelley explained that they are looking at the possibility of having the CASA funding go either to another State agency or possibly a non-profit agency. Committee also wonders why we need both a JCPAC and a JJAC group when there appears to be duplication. Shelley explained there is discussion of restructure and regionalization of some of the services of local commissions.
- Larry reported that he helped with the follow up JCP meeting in Milton Freewater.

**Comprehensive community, planning & implementation: (leading strategically):**

- Member recruitment committee: Crystal asked for clarification on the youth CCF volunteer position.

**Policy Development (shaping policy & law):**

- RFP committee: Asked about the collaborative funding process. Deschutes and Yamhill County was contacted and staff was told that the only type of this funding they have been involved with was the child care dollars and the homeless, runaway funding. Both counties did this several years ago and it worked ok. The problem was getting community partners to come up with the money. Crook County and Clackamas County have been contacted but have not got back with staff about this question. Arron is going to contact Commissioner Doherty about setting up an appointment to discuss with him exactly what he wants to see happen with the remaining funding that is available to CCF during the next year.
- Shelley informed the group that an anonymous donor wants to give a small amount of money to a worthy cause that helps children/families. She asked the group for ideas as to where they feel this money would be best used. Connie suggested that the wraparound program through ESD.

- Kim told the group about her ideas on how to use the JCP client specific money. She would like to see these dollars also used for group specific programs, requests and ideas. This idea is going to be presented to the JCP group meeting on May 17, 2010. Anne feels that this type of program should be presented to the BOCC for their approval / disapproval.

**System Development (bringing services together):**

- Emerging issues in early childhood (0-8) and JCP.
- Raising awareness of summer foods programs, CAPECO summer youth employment program and gang prevention.

Information will be sent out and discussion will be on agenda at next meeting.

**Community Mobilization (organizing change):**

- Community project fund application received from DHS/Child Welfare requesting \$1,000. for the foster care parent appreciation dinner. Arron had concern about the actual application not being filled out correctly. The budget doesn't reflect that they have a match for the \$1,000. request. The actual budget states that the project is only costing \$1,000. Motion to fund made by Arron as long as we get a new detailed budget by early a.m. Thursday May 6, 2010. He wants to give the option of the amount given this year to the group. Seconded by Crystal. Motion was approved. **Anne did oppose this motion.**

**Service delivery improvements (ensuring quality & accountability):**

- Program evaluation – progress status of program liaison reports.

Info to be sent and discussion at next meeting.

Next meeting is scheduled for June 2, 2010.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Melvalee Carter