



CARTF

Springhill Suites, BOISE

February 6, 2015

## **MINUTES**

**Kirt Naylor** - Child Advocate Attorney (Chairman)

**Bart Adrian, MD** – Pediatrician

**James Baugh**-Children with Disabilities

**Phares Book, PsyD** –Psychologist

**Doug Giddings**-Idaho County Sheriff

**Marcia Hernandez**– Foster Youth

**JoAnn Gemar** – Homeless Education Liaison

**Jill Robertson**– Parent

**Jennifer Tachell**– Educator (Vice-Chairman)

**ABSENT**

Mindy Peper - Administrative Support

GUESTS: none

**Joshua Wickard**- Public Defender

**Miren Unsworth**- DHW, Family & Children Services

**Susan Bradford, MD** – Pediatrician

**Hon. Steve Clark**- Civil Magistrate Judge

**Jennifer Bergin**- Prosecuting Attorney

**Tahna Barton** – CASA

**Hon. Mark Rammell**- Criminal Magistrate Judge

**Nadine McDonald** – Juvenile Justice

**Molly Vaughn**– Victim Services Coordinator

## **WELCOME, MINUTES**

Naylor welcomes everyone. Motion to accept January 2015 minutes made by Giddings, second by McDonald, all in favor and so moved.

## **FINANCIAL UPDATE**

Unsworth reports that we are in phase 14 of our grant. There is a total of \$131,000 and we have spent \$27,108. That does not include all the conference bills. We have about \$60,000 to spend after taking out the yearly salaries and monthly meeting costs.

## **STRATEGIC PLAN**

CARTF reviews updates to strategies from January and Peper makes note of changes. Peper will update the strategies for March meeting and email them to Unsworth. Unsworth suggest that she review the new information memorandum released October 2014 to help with the review of goals 6 and 7. Unsworth summarizes the information memorandum from federal government on preventing sex trafficking and strengthening families act that was issued October 23, 2014. This includes the following expectations:

- Welfare agencies begin to identify, collect, and report on children reported and documented as victims of sex trafficking as well as determine services available to these victims.
- Agencies to document children who run away while under foster care.
- State agencies who oversee welfare to assist foster parents in applying the reasonable and prudent parent standards while allowing children to participate in normal and beneficial activities.
- There are changes to what is acceptable permanency plans. Long-term foster care for children under the age of 16 will not be a federally acceptable permanency plan. The permanency plan must be adoption, reunification, or guardianship. CARTF discusses guardianship. Annually, reports are to be filed with the courts before dissolution of a guardianship and DHW is to be notified so

that the situation can be reassessed. Courts are proactive in making sure these reports are filed.

- This memorandum also looks at older foster youth who are aging out of foster care. Young people have the right to have two other individuals who are not the caseworker or foster parent to help with the family plan. Also documents that must be provided to the foster child over 14 include a credit report and upon the age of 18 his or her birth certificate, social security card, driver's license, health insurance information, and medical records.

Regarding goals in 6 and 7, Unsworth states she will look over these and add some language that will coincide with this new information memorandum release in October.

### **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

Unsworth states she is keeping an eye on legislation coming out but as to date, nothing yet.

Baugh states any new Medicaid expansion that passes will help children under CPS receive treatment.

### **CHILD DEATHS AND RELIGIOUS EXEMPTIONS OF MEDICAL TREATMENT**

Naylor states he received an email from Rita Swan cc'd to Tammy Perkins at the Governor's office. After a phone discussion with Ms. Swan in which Naylor clarified that that CARTF is continuing to look into the matter, but CARTF did not take a position on the 2014 proposed legislation. CARTF agrees it is absolutely a problem and needs to be dealt with intelligently and with some political finesse and diplomacy as well as strategy. This issue will also be addressed in the upcoming Child Fatality Review Team report.

In conjunction with Idaho Child fatality Report, CARTF will look at several issues with child fatality, to include child deaths and religious exemptions of medical treatment.

### **CONFERENCE SUMMARY**

Peper reviews numbers, comments, expenses, etc. Points for next conference: In hotel we need a designated AV person, more room, less confusion about conference food.

Possibilities can include Nampa Civic Center—Peper will check into this. JUMP in the future might be a possibility. Riverside, Boise Convention Center, are possibilities.

Possible topics include training on what the CACs do. Laura's topics will include much more on secondary trauma.

For the 2016 conference could have Dr. Filletti back to continue the discussion on ACES as well as have some break-out groups that focus on ACES in specific disciplines.

If Kathy Downes wants to put together a second day program tagged onto our conference, she will need to put together the details and submit a grant request to CARTF for review. Peper will get hotel proposals for 1 day and date and share that information with Downes.

### **BOISE FACES**

Site visit will be after lunch in April. It is located cross parking lot from Trader Joes and next to Chipotles, on right as going up Capital Blvd toward Capitol Building. Check and see if hotel will shuttle us.

### **CFR TEAM UPDATES**

Annual report on 2012 cases are finished and should be out by April. Randy Howell, EMT representative on the task force is no longer with the team, leaving a vacancy. CARTF discusses possibilities for this position. Adrian and Bergin recommend Dr. Krill. Adrian will speak with him and see if he is interested and/or if he knows someone. If he is interested, please send an interest letter to Naylor and Jerrilea Archer.

### **ACES**

Tachell summarizes email she received from a Northern Idaho group that is in the beginning stages of development focused on ACES education, awareness, etc. They are planning training that brings a Walla Walla group to Idaho to educate agencies on ACES education, best practices, and trauma-informed care. Would this be something that CARTF could fund through a grant? Unsworth said her federal counterpart did not see a tie that would link back to the investigation and prosecution of CPS cases. Possibly could use it to inform investigators, case workers, courts, and so on about ACES. CARTF states that the group up North should submit a grant and the task force will review it. Another possibility is CARTF could produce some type of brochure that is educational that can be given to clients. This may be a way CARTF can support groups throughout the state that are already having discussions about ACES and how they will implement it.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Educational Neglect- Robertson brings up a discussion she had with a police officer who still was under the impression DHW will not go out on a call for educational neglect unless there is another reason. Unsworth says no, there is specific criteria to which they will do a site visit, but it has to be more significant than just they are homeschooling. Unsworth says the criteria is on the DHW website.

Jennifer Tachell, Jennifer Bergin has submitted their CARTF renewal letters. Peper will send them to Anne Beibe.

### **ACTIONS ITEMS:**

#### **Peper-**

- **Update Kirt's name tent**
- **Send strategies to Unsworth**
- **Resend LeBlanc contact information to Naylor**
- **Boise FACES- set up site tour for April and see if shuttle can take us**
- **Contact Anne Beibe with renewal letters and updating dates on vacancies for Joshua Wickard, Tahna Barton, and JoAnn Gemar**

#### **Adrian-**

- **Send Naylor any endorsement or record of vote from IMA/APA regarding the support of pediatricians in Idaho taking action regarding child deaths as result of religious exemptions.**

**Unsworth-**

- **Bring name badges to next meeting**
- **Update strategy 6 and 7 and send to Mindy to print**

**Tachell-**

- **Bring Arizona ACES brochure**
- **Talk to group up north about ACES grant**

**February Agenda-**

- **Deb Alsaker-Burke**
- **Finalize strategies**
- **Financial Update**

**CARTF will meet March 5, 8:00 AM, SpringHill Suites in Boise**