



CARTF

Springhill Suites, BOISE

June 5, 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

Kailamai Hansen– Foster Youth

JoAnn Gemar – Homeless Education Liaison

Jill Robertson– Parent

Jennifer Tachell– Educator (Vice-Chairman)

ABSENT

Mindy Peper - Administrative Support

GUESTS: Kathy Downes, INCAC

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

Unsworth welcomes Hansen and task force introduced self to Hansen. Task Force reviews May minutes and McDonald makes motion to approve May minutes, Wickard seconds, all in favor and so moved.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Unsworth reports CARTF is coming in pretty close to spending entire cycle of money and won't be carrying over. CARTF has given out almost \$36,000 in grants.

CFR TEAM ANNUAL REPORT UPDATE

Final copies have been distributed. Peper will put it on the website. There has been discussion amongst Unsworth, Naylor, and the CFR Team about the recommendations from the past two years. CARTF will invite the CFR Team in September to give clarification on supporting the recommendations and how to carry out those recommendations. Bergin asks if we should get some guidance from the Governor's office and invite Tammy Perkins to the meeting in September. Wickard feels it would be helpful to have Governor's office here to help set some parameters and permissions. CFR Team meets again in August. Baugh states that the lines are fairly clear—an individual from the review team can say the review team found “such and such” and “I personally think”... and so on. It's important that the individual differentiates when he or she is speaking for the task force or self. Baugh suggests it might be helpful to put this in writing for guidance.

Naylor invite Tammy Perkins to the September meeting. Peper will invite CFR Team to the September meeting to include Archer, Hahn, McPherson, and so on.

MDT GRANT REQUEST- NFJC

CARTF reviews grant from NFJC. Adrian makes a motion to deny the request based on that it doesn't support MDT training, Bradford seconds, all in favor and so moved.

INCAC, Kathy Downes

CARTF introduces self to Kathy Downes.

Downes took over as chapter director of INCAC in September. INCAC is under the umbrella of Bright Tomorrows which is the 501c3 that makes it possible for Idaho to have a state chapter. Their purpose is to help CACs start up and keep going as well as support MDTs.

In 2014, INCAC, with input from CARTF, successfully passed legislation that recognizes CACs as a partner in MDTs.

This year INCAC is looking at what they are funding and asking "is it making a difference?" For example, surveys are being given at the end of sessions to parents who use CACs. With the help of National Children's Alliance surveys are being filled out by parents at the end of interviews as well as 2 months after services. Three CACs-- NFJC, Boise CARES, and Bright Tomorrows Boise, are participating in this. It can also be used in the developing centers as well. Information is being gathered nationally that helps improve and grow CACs.

In January Help Inc. shut down in Idaho Falls. They closed their doors due to finances. It was a huge impact on that city and surrounding areas. Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Center stepped in and quickly opened an interview room as well as hired Brianna Jones to carry out interviews.

INCAC trained 15 new forensic interviewers in January in Idaho using CARTF funds. They use the NICHD model which is based on significant research. In May INCAC held a second training in Rexburg and trained 15 more interviewers.

Downes just returned from Washington DC from the National CAC conference. She met with leadership representing Idaho as well as looked at the funds that help our state. VOCA funding has been increased. CJA funds as well as funds from new funding source on trafficking of children will also help our state CACs.

Downes covers 2014 stats of CAC (per stat sheet passed out at meeting). Downes explains the difference between the accredited and developing CACs. Blackfoot, Rexburg, and Salmon are currently interested in the possibility of developing a CAC in their area. Downes states it makes sense to see them in

Blackfoot and Rexburg. Unsworth asks if the tribes in the Pocatello area access the CACs. Downes says yes, Fort Hall uses the CACs. There is a possibility of a tribal CAC in Lewiston area as there is a funding stream. McDonald feels that Moscow would be a better fit for CAC rather than Lewiston. There would be the benefit of two universities, a long-term prosecutor, and the involvement of Gritman Hospital in the community, as well as the proximity of Moscow to Pullman, WA. Bradford suggests that John Rusche would be an excellent contact and advocate.

Downes covers two separate proposals for teaming up with our October conference:

On October 15 and 16 the Medical Provider Child Abuse Conference will be held in Boise. There is typically 15 attendees. This will be overseen by Dr. Paul McPherson. Approximate conference total would be \$4090.64 for 15 participants.

The Child Forensic Interviewer and Peer Review would be held in Boise the evening before CARTF conference. There would approximately 65 newly trained interviewers that could attend. The proposal would include bringing the out of town attendees the night before our conference so only one night hotel would be needed. Downes would like to have the Peer Review included on our registration. CARTF talks about how piggy-backing on CARTF October conference makes sense. Downes talked with The Riverside about the night before and there is availability for 6 break-out rooms. Unsworth states we would have to explore how DHW as the fiscal department would see this regarding the \$10,000 cap per vendor. She will need to do some research on this topic. Downes ultimately needs 5 or 6 break-out rooms with AV, speaker fees of about \$2700, and possibly snack or dinner the evening of the training. Unsworth tells Downes that she can submit a grant and get it over to Peper as soon as possible.

PROSECUTOR'S AWARD

CARTF reviews and discusses nominations for Prosecutor's Award. A nomination is chosen and will be awarded at the IPAA conference.

EMAIL FROM JOHN ADAMS

Unsworth covers email request from John Adams to support someone from his office to attend the Parent Attorney Conference in July in Washington, DC. Wickard feels this will a very good opportunity. Peper will forward Wickard John Adams contact information so he can share his grant application with Adams. Peper will also contact Adams and let him know the plan. This grant will be submitted to the task force via email and will have to be voted upon via email.

FUTURE MEETINGS/TOPICS

September 11- CFR Team; conference planning
October 19- dinner

October 20- Conference

??- Det. Ryan Pacheco with Ada Co Sheriff; 1 youth 1 officer model and human trafficking

??- Casey Family Services

??- Patty Heller, Idaho Office of Refugees

LETTER TO GOVERNOR REGARDING FAITH HEALINGS

Need to find out from Naylor regarding status of letter to the Governor. CARTF has requested he resend that letter to CARTF and CFR Team.

NEW BUSINESS

Wickard discusses the model being used in Colorado where 1 officer follows an at-risk youth for their childhood. Ada Co Sheriff is now starting that model. Unsworth states this would be a good guest to have in a future meeting.

Wickard discusses the cultural issues that he deals with in cases and feels that it is an issue CARTF can discuss about how to help refugees work through some of these issues. Unsworth feels Patty Heller from Idaho Office of Refugees would be a good speaker for a future meeting to look at how we could partner.

ACTION ITEMS:

PEPER-

- Invite CFR Team to September meeting at 10
- Contact John Adams regarding the grant for Parent Attorney Conference
- Send Wickard Adams contact info
- Let NFJC know about the grant denial
- Finish LOI for conference speaker
- Prepare registration for conference
- Ask Naylor about draft of the faith healings letter and if he could resend to CARTF and if it has been sent to CFR Team
- Plan for August IPPA conference- connect with Sandee Meyer
- Add CFR Team Annual report to website

NAYLOR-

- Invite Perkins to the September meeting at 10
- Write letter to go with CFR Team Annual report
- Prepare Prosecutor's Award for August IPAA Conference

WICKARD-

- Connect with John Adams regarding grant for Parent Attorney Conference
- Summarize nomination for Galen Carlson and send to Naylor

CARTF will meet September 11, 9:00 AM, SpringHill Suites in Boise