



CARTF

January 4, 2024

Virtual

Joshua Wickard- Public Defender (Chairman)
Andie Blackwood- DHW, Family & Children Services
Lena Biondolillo- Children with Disabilities
Sheila Sturgeon Freitas, PhD- Mental Health
Curtis Carper- Law Enforcement
(A) Maddi Aimes- Foster Youth
(A) James Curb – Homeless Education Liaison
Jill Robertson- Parent
(A) Susan Nalley- Victim Services Coordinator

Jennifer Tachell- Educator (Vice-Chairman)
Susan Bradford, MD – Pediatrician
OPEN- Child Advocate Attorney
Hon. Steve Clark- Civil Magistrate Judge
(A) Kyle Bringham- Prosecuting Attorney
Tahna Barton – CASA
Hon. Mark Rammell- Criminal Magistrate Judge
Nadine McDonald – Juvenile Justice
Teresa Vance- Administrator of the Courts

Mindy Peper – Task Force Support

Indicates **Absent (A)** **Virtual (V)**

Meeting Purpose:

Monthly meeting of the Governor's Task Force on Children at Risk (CARTF) to discuss subcommittee updates, strategic planning, and other business.

Key Takeaways:

- Discussed subcommittee autonomy and financial decision-making authority. Decided subcommittees should bring financial decisions to CARTF as action items. Final decision tabled to February meeting.
- Reviewed and updated strategies under the 4 main goals for the next 3-year CJA report.
- Discussed logistics for upcoming in-person meetings in Salmon and San Diego conference.

Topics:

Welcome

- **Action Item: Approve November 2023 minutes**
 - Moved by Rammell, second by Vance
 - All in favor, so moved

Subcommittee Autonomy and Financial Decisions

- Issue came up with conference subcommittee wanting to sign a contract but needing CARTF approval.

- Discussed balancing subcommittee efficiency with proper oversight and compliance with open meeting laws.
- Decided financial decisions should come to CARTF as action items, even if approval is expected. Provides transparency and protection and meets the needs of open meeting laws.

Strategic Planning for 3-Year CJA Report

- Reviewed current goals and strategies in working document. Suggested updates to strategies under each goal.
- Discussed how subcommittees and CARTF have met goals over past 3 years to include in report.
- Proposed structuring future agendas under goal areas to easily track progress.

May Meeting Logistics

- Judge Clark provided information on potential venues and lodging in Salmon, ID.
- Discussed inviting local MDT members and identifying any other relevant stakeholders to present.

New Business

- Canceling October conference and so will move meeting planned for night before conference to October 4, hybrid to be held at SpringHill Suites in Boise (Parkcenter Blvd location).

Regular meeting adjourned at 12:48 PM MST and continued with small group discussion regarding San Diego conference planning.

San Diego Conference Preparation

- Discussed coordinating sessions to attend and sharing agenda via group text.
- Noted Sunday evening before conference would be good for an in-person meeting to finalize conference plans.

Next Steps:

- Add financial decision items from subcommittees as action items on CARTF agendas moving forward.
- Finalize updated strategies under 4 goals for 3-year CJA report by February meeting.
- Continue planning for May meeting in Salmon, ID regional meeting and June San Diego conference.

Upcoming Meetings:

- ~~January 5, 2024- virtual~~
- February 2, 2024- virtual
- March 1, 2024- hybrid Boise SpringHill Suites Parkcenter
- April 5, 2024- hybrid Boise SpringHill Suites Parkcenter
- May 3, 2024- regional, Salmon, ID
- June 24, 2024- evening, pre-conference, Boise, Riverside Hotel
- July 19, 2024- virtual, if needed
- October 16, 2024- evening, pre-conference, Boise, Riverside Hotel
- November 1, 2024- virtual