

***Regional Services Council***

***Region 4 Meeting***

**Date:** October 15, 2018

**Time:** 12:00 p.m.

**Location of Meeting:** Allen County DCS – 201 E. Rudisill Blvd., Fort Wayne, IN 46806

**Meeting Chair:** Jeff Bedree, Local Office Director

**Meeting Secretary:** Helen Garmon

**Call to order**

**Start time:** 12:00 p.m.

**Roll call**

**Members Present:**

Jeffrey Bedree  
Wesley Husselman  
Kelley Moorman

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**Members Absent:**

James Pippin  
Judge Heuer  
Judge Pratt  
Amy Richison  
Angela Vachon  
Alexys Vosmeier

**Non-Members Present:**

Paige Hamilton	Julie Ensinger
Andy Ogle	Kerri Baker
Kim Hollabaugh	Debbie Branfield
Dee Szyndrowski	Trish Fox
Kelsey Middaugh	Jeff Waibel
Navoria James	Melisa Monterrus

Deane' Holderman	Tess Ottenweller
Kate Stephenson	Dion Smith
Brittney Collins	Rachael Glase
Maureen Prebyski	Angel Metro
Bill Stephan	Elena De La Cruz

**Approval of minutes from last meeting**

As read   X        As corrected       

Recommended Correction:

**Program/Committee Reports**

**Unfinished Business**

None

**New business**

### Network for Safe Families:

Paige Hamilton distributed and reviewed the following handouts:

- Network for Safe Families - Services August 2018 Financial Report
- August 2018 Program Statistics
- Local Prevention Fund August 2018 Financial Report
- 1st Quarter Program Outputs and Outcomes
- Local Prevention Dollars: Number of Adults Served for Fourth Quarter

### Dion Smith

- The BSW qualification part of the Home Based Casework Service Standard currently still stands. They are looking to revise it very soon so there will be a little leeway in the qualifications
- There will be an RFP opening soon for Community Partners. Contracts will stay the same during the Region 4 realignment until June 30, 2019. At that time the new contracts will display the new alignment.
- An All State RFP will be coming open. **All providers will have to reapply when the RFP opens if they want to keep their contract with DCS**
- We opened a small limited RFP a month or so ago. We granted a contract to the YWCA of North Central Indiana for Substance Use and Assessment. Their contract went live on October 1, 2018

### Regional Updates – Jeff Bedree

- Effective November 5, 2018; Region 4 will be 3 counties smaller. Adams and Wells County will be realigned and absorbed into Region 7 (Regional Manager, Kelly Broyles) and Huntington County will be realigned and absorbed into Region 6 (Regional Manager, Elizabeth Learned)
- There will be no revisions or reallocation of funds under our current contract. The new contract may look different
- Mary Holliday (Regional Finance Manager) is on vacation

### County Updates

**Adams – Jeff Bedree for Melissa Hayden, Director** – They are looking to expand their offices and are hiring 2 FCM's. Melissa has done a phenomenal job as Interim Regional Manager for Region 4!

**Allen - (Jeff Bedree for Alexys Vosmeier, Director)** – Allen County is also in need of space.

**DeKalb – (Wesley Husselman, Director)** – All of our positions are full. Intake caseloads dropped a little throughout the Summer but started to pick up about a month ago. We still have our desk phones!

**Huntington – (Kerri Baker, Director)** – We had Terry Hall Presentations last week. We have 11 FCM's in the office, 1 FCM in Cohort and 1 vacancy

**LaGrange**- (Kathryn Stephenson, Director) – We currently have 8 FCM's. Our numbers are staying roughly the same. We are looking for a new location.

**Noble County** (Kathryn Stephenson, Interim Director) – Hopefully a new LOD will be starting in Noble by the end of the month. They are hiring a 3<sup>rd</sup> Supervisor. They currently have 16 FCM's with 1 starting on the 22<sup>nd</sup>

**Steuben** – (Jeff Bedree for Ron Lahmeyer, Director) – They're ok space wise. They are down 1 FCM

**Wells** – (Deane Holderman, Director) – We have 15 FCM's, 1 is in Cohort

**Whitley County** (Jeff Bedree, Director) – We are in the final discussions of our building remodel. We have 11 FCM's, 2 Supervisors and 1 Admin. Assistant

**Next Meeting** – January 14, 2019 Allen County DCS Office @ 12:00 p.m.

**Adjournment**

With no other business meeting was adjourned.

**Signatures:**

Secretary Helen Harmon

Chair [Signature]

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Approved: hg (secretary's initials) Date: 1-14-19