

Region7
Regional Services Council Minutes
Friday, September 8, 2023
1:00 p.m.

Greetings/Introduction

- Members: Kelly Broyles, Deane Holderman, Nicole Mock, Kelly Kirby, Kristen Beer, Danielle Reed, Ryan Jacobs, Andrea Wilson, Justin Littman

- Absent Members: Josh Crist, Judge Dana Kenworthy and Proxy Melissa Stephenson, Judge Kimberly Dowling and Proxy Amanda Yonally, Judge Jay Toney and Proxy Beth Krieg, Eric Hoffman, Morgan Crutcher Smith, Nicky Bosken and Proxy Miles Hill, Stacy Britton

- Others in Attendance: Ashley Gutierrez, Lisa Antrim, Jill Atteberry Kelly, Kourtney Gallegos, Gina Raines, Christine Hennessy

Minutes of the June 9, 2023, meeting reviewed today. Nicole Mock motions to approve. Deane Holderman seconds that motion. Minutes of June 9, 2023, meeting approved by unanimous vote.

Firefly Children & Family Alliances

- Provider Fair
 - 108 Staff, 54 Providers attended, and 46 tables set up
 - Location for next year is still being determined.
- Safe Sleep & Car seat Safety
 - Hospital do not have Pak n plays or car seats
 - 175 summer safety bags were distributed throughout to the region.
 - Difficulty with Housing and Childcare across the State

- Subcontractor
 - Urban Light has returned the allocated \$26,256.
- Motion
 - Deanne Holderman motions to approve \$26,256 back to Firefly Children & Family Alliances to be used for safety items, car seats, Pak n Plays and Material Relief. Kelly Kirby seconds that motion

- Region 7 Referrals-June, July, August 2023: 402
 - Number of Referrals:
 - Adams: 18
 - Blackford: 7
 - Delaware: 259
 - Grant: 43
 - Jay: 29
 - Randolph: 23
 - Wells: 22
 - Concrete Support to families:
 - Adams: \$1,821
 - Blackford: \$726
 - Delaware: \$11,054
 - Grant: \$3,774
 - Jay: \$1,888
 - Randolph: \$3,170
 - Wells: \$500

Provider Update

- Hope fest in Portland, Indiana September 16, 2023 at the Jay Community from 11:00 am -3:00pm
- Indiana Family to Family
 - Working on notebook and online platform website
 - Annual Conference will be virtual and is free

Coordinator Update

- Region 7 there were 1,409 served by Family Preservation Services and 1,103 of those had 90 days of service or more
- Repeat treatment - 10.36% / Removal- 9.9%
- RFP has gone out

Regional Finance Manager

- Budget - \$24.6M; YTD Spend - \$4.2M/17.04% Target 16.67%
- Prior Year Spend - \$3.6M; Spend is up 16% over last year.
 - Family Preservation Costs up \$225K over last year.
 - Residential Costs up \$232K over last year
- In Home \$1.1M or 27% / Out of Home \$3M or 73% (State Average 16%/84%)
- Total Caseload 844 - Caseload down 2 from this time last year.
 - Decreases: Relative (12), non-Relative (49), and Residential (4)
 - Increases: IA's (55), In home (9), and Other (2)

Questions/Concerns from Membership

Meeting Dates for 2024

- March 8, 2024
- June 14, 2024
- September 13, 2024
- December 13, 2024

Motion:

Deanne Holderman motion to adjourn meeting. Kelly Kirby seconds the motion. All members are in favor of motion.