

**Washington County DCFS Child Welfare
Quality Improvement Committee
Meeting Minutes
08 Sept. 2014
12:00 1:00 p.m.**

Mission Statement:

The Washington County Quality Improvement Committee (QIC), working in partnership with the Division of Child and Family Services (DCFS), advocate for the client well-being by identifying areas of Improvement and promoting changes within the child welfare system

Attending: Craig Bunnell (Chair), Martha Beacco, Joyce Pace, Kelly Stapley, Vicki Schouten, Creta Chessman, Kyle Garrett, Gordon Gunn, Ben Ashcraft, Jana Timmons, Lindsey Boyer, Lori Short, Karen Goff,

Excused: Shirley Owen, Gloria Garcia-Schow, Judy Bills

Visitors:

Introductions/News/Announcements: QIC Members Introduced

Martha will contact Judy and Gloria to see how things are going.

Review and Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: Kelly approve

Committee Member Reports:

- A. CJC:
- B. C.A.S.A.: Introducing
- C. Utah Foster Care:
- D. DJJS:
- E. School District:
- F. Community Members:
- G. DCFS:

AGENDA:

1. Discuss "Closet" donation project: initiate organizational aspects, goal and objectives.
Clothing Closet for DCFS Clients
 - Craig will talk to Tami from the Shelter about the "Closet"
 - Who would like to be on the sub-committee? **Martha will send out an e-mail**
2. **School Counselors**
 - School Counselors accessing DCFS information. Being invited to CFTM. Cedar City not letting them know about meetings. Also, outside area's not notifying School Counselors.
 - Should a school Counselor come to a CFTM over the Teacher?
 - Protocol w the Division about how much info. can be shared.
 - Depending on if it's a CPS case or a Foster care case on info. that can be shared.
 - Mike Carr is getting a list together with School Counselors, Creta will send the list to Craig and Martha
 - AAG- Communicate with school Counselors

3. CASA's

- Director of the GAL Office is looking at a CASA State wide Meeting. CASA's will have an ANNUAL meeting in their own areas.
- Next Month follow up on these items.

4. Kinship Supports

- Kinship Supports where case has been Supported but the family got a Protective order there are no support options for Non-Court Family's.
- What about Peer Parent to Ast.
- Possible Cluster Groups
- Specified Relative grant
 - Craig will meet with Gordon

5. Mult Agency Collaboration

- Collaborative meeting with Juvenile probation to initiate mechanism for multi-agency planning meetings for dual adjudicated youth.
 - Joyce will talk to Brandon (Kelly, Craig, Tami (?), Joyce) The committee would like to add someone from Mental Health. There may be something already in process.
 - Joyce will contact Tami at the Shelter and talk with her.
 - 1st Oct - Collaborative meetings with DCFS, GAL, and CASA re-working relations between CASA's and CW's.
2. Discuss other committee goals for 2014-15.
 3. Discuss next month's agenda (Presentation on "Home Works" roll out).
 - Kinship process (Gordon) Oct.
 - "Home Works" (Destry M.) Nov.
 - Foster Care Foundation (Ben) Dec.

Other Items:

- Joyce will be gone next month
- Martha Check on Gloria and Judy

DISMISS: 1:10 p.m.

Next Meeting: 6 Oct. 2014

Public Comments (brief mention of items that may be included on future agenda's)

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