



MEDINA COUNTY FAMILY FIRST COUNCIL

MINUTES OF February 26, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT

1. Baggs, Mark Wadsworth Salvation Army
2. Bedel, Julianne..... Medina District Library
3. Benza, Amy Cornerstone Psychological
4. Felton, Jeffery Medina County Job and Family Services
5. Fiorella-Batke, Marcy Medina County Early Intervention/YAC
6. Kerr, Kristin (Henderson Suzanne) Head Start/Community Action
7. Kipfstuhl, Michelle Medina County Catholic Charities
8. Koran, William Educational Service Center of Medina County
9. Kubena-Yatsko, Debbie Medina Metro Housing
10. Maleckar, Stacey..... Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities
11. Mattey, Christy Parent Representative
12. Miller, Tony..... Medina County Juvenile Court – Co-Chair
13. Romain, Melissa..... Ohio Guidestone
14. Shema, Timothy Medina County Domestic Relations Court
15. Simon, Betsy Parent Representative/Early Intervention
16. Tahajod, Sharon..... Parent Representative
17. Titterington, Phillip..... Medina County ADAMH Board
18. Wasowski, Krista..... Medina County Health Department
19. Wurgler, Rhonda Children’s Center of Medina County - Chair

GUESTS PRESENT

1. Blaine, Jennifer Family & Community Services
2. Wright, Sandra Family & Community Services/Valor HM
3. Rafferty, Val Family & Community Services
4. Fiore, Lydia..... Ohio State University Extension
5. Zacker, Ed..... Medina County Veterans
6. Schander, Samantha Rape Crisis Center

STAFF PRESENT

1. Barnett, Jane..... Council Coordinator

1. Call to Order, Welcome and Introductions – Rhonda Wurgler, Council Chair

The meeting was called to order at 9:04 a.m.

2. Approve Council minutes from January 22, 2019

Mr. Phillip Titterington made a motion to approve the minutes; Ms. Debbie Kubena-Yatsko seconded. The motion passed. Ms. Michelle Kipfstuhl abstained.

3. Action Item(s)

- a. A motion to consider the recommendation to approve the updated dispute resolution language for Medina County’s Service Coordination Mechanism was made by Mr. Phillip Titterington and seconded by Ms. Sharon Tahajod. The motion passed.

- b. A motion to consider the recommendation to approve the submission of the SFY2020 Operational Capacity Building Fund Application was made by by Mr. Jeff Felton and seconded by Ms. Krista Wasowski. The motion passed.
- c. A motion to consider the recommendation to submit a letter of support on behalf of the Juvenile Drug Court for their Grant application to MCDAC was made by Mr. Jeff Felton and seconded by Mr. Phillip Titterington. The motion passed. Mr. Tony Miller and Mr. Will Koran abstained.

4. **STATE MANDATES**

a) **Early Intervention, Marcy Fiorella-Batke, EI Program Coordinator**

The January report was included with the meeting packet. Ms. Marcy Fiorella-Batke said that a meeting is scheduled for March 1 to review Child Find activities. There is concern because communication is not being evenly distributed throughout Medina County. Information has not been distributed to pediatrician offices and public libraries. The majority of distributions have been provided to Wadsworth and some of Medina. No information has been distributed to Brunswick or Lodi. Laundromats have been the chosen distribution location.

b) **Youth Service Coordination, Jane Barnett, Council Coordinator**

The January report was included with the meeting packet. Ms. Jane Barnett gave examples of services being coordinated including helping coordinate the guardianship application process for a DD youth and helping enroll a youth in a work program.

c) **Shared Plan, Jane Barnett, Council Coordinator,**

The Planning Committee is currently working on creating a new Shared Plan. This plan will be presented to the Administrative Committee once complete.

5. **Cross Cutting Topic – Veteran Services**

There are many services available to homeless veterans in Medina County. Today Ed Zachary from the Medina County Veterans Services and representatives from Family and Community Services shared the various programs available to homeless veterans in Medina County. Contact Mr. Ed Zachary or Debbie Kubena-Yatsko to help identify which program would be most appropriate for a veteran or their family.

6. **LOCAL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

a) **Administrative, Phillip Titterington, Chair**

Financials and the three action items voted on today were reviewed. Items required as a part of the OCBF application were discussed including the decision to continue utilizing the Medina County Commissioner's as the Council's Administrative Agent. Mr. Titterington reminded Council to become involved in a subcommittee.

b) **Adult Advisory Consortium, Debbie Kubena-Yatsko Chair**

Adult Advisory last met January 7. The meetings are held the first Monday of every other Month from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. with Adult ITeam following.

c) **Bylaws, Krista Wasowski, Chair**

N/A

d) **Family Advisory, Sharon Tahajod, Chair**

Ms. Tahajod will be holding a meeting after today's Council meeting.

- e) **Membership, Sharon Tahajod, Chair**
Ms. Tahajod will be recruiting for new members in April for next year including Parent Representatives. If you know of any interested party in Council or Parent Representatives, please have them contact Ms. Tahajod.
- f) **Planning, Rhonda Wurgler, Chair**
Planning is currently working on the Shared Plan and will be meeting March 5. All welcome!
- g) **Public Relations, Debbie Kubena-Yatsko, Chair**
n/a
- h) **Youth Advisory Consortium, Marcy Fiorella-Batke, Chair**
Membership was reviewed and renewed at the February meeting. YAC will also be used as a problem solving place for Youth Service Coordination. Ms. Melissa Hall, from Home Visiting, will attend YAC and spoke at January's meeting. County representatives from Special Education will be invited to attend.
- i) **Trauma Informed Care, Rhonda Wurgler and Krista Wasowski Co-Chairs**
TIC is making headway for services for victims of sexual assault in Medina County. Videos are being worked on that would help families, grandparents, and other kinship caregivers. Meetings are held on the 3rd Monday at the Health department at 9 a.m.

7. **Public Comments**
n/a

8. **Adjournment**
Ms. Krista Wasowski made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:04 a.m. Ms. Rhonda Wurgler seconded the motion.

Meeting minutes submitted by: Jane Barnett