**Family & Children First Council of Huron County**

**Meeting Agenda**

**Wednesday, January 19, 2022**

**Location: Huron County Board of Developmental Disabilities**

**306 South Norwalk Rd. Norwalk, OH**

* Call to Order

**Voting Members**:

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|  | Lenora Minor, HCDJFS |  | Kristen Cardone, HC Mental  Health and Addiction Services |  | Brad Cooley, Norwalk  City Schools |
|  | Dave Daniels, City of  Norwalk Police  Department |  | Mary Helton, Fisher-Titus  Medical Center |  | Tim Hollinger, Huron  County Public Health |
|  | Lindsey Kimball,  Parent Representative |  | Steve Burggraf, Family Life Counseling |  | Julie Westcott, Parent  Representative |
|  | Jeff Ritz, Willard City  Schools |  | Carol Robinson, Early  Intervention |  | Jennifer Tuttle, Parent  Representative |
|  | Kari Smith, HC Board of DD |  | Janice Warner, CAC  EHR/Head Start |  | Harry Brady, Huron  County Commissioner |

**Non-Voting Members**:

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|  | John/Bethany Chime,  Clear Minds - absent |  | Janet Cok, Willard  Community Connectors - absent | x | **Jamie Gfell**/Bethany Lewis, Nord Center |
| X | Mary Valentine, Huron County CPS |  | Lonny Rivera - absent |  | Angie Roth, Help Me  Grow - absent |
| X | Sarah Simmons, ROY | X | Mary Valentine,  HCDJFS | x | Chris Mushett, Huron  County Juvenile Court  (Designee) |
| X | Lauren Robinson, Firelands Counseling  and Recovery | X | Beverly Turczyk  Department of  Youth Services |  |  |

**Staff:**

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|  | Yahoska Acosta, PRC  Coordinator - absent | X | Niki Cross, FCFC  Director | X | Hailey Schnellinger,  Prevention Specialist |
| X | Erin Whipple, Wraparound Facilitator |  |  |  |  |

* Public Comment & Introductions
  1. Erin Whipple-Wraparound Facilitator
     + 20 years experience in working with children. Just starting 6th week in role.
* **Approval of Minutes: September 15, 2021; September 27, 2021; November 1, 2021 (Motion #1)**

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| Motion 1 | To approve the September 15, 2021; September 27th, 2021; November 1st, 2021 Council Meeting Minutes. | | |
| Motion Made By: | Jeff Ritz | Seconded: | Brad Cooley |

**Motion approved.**

* Committee Updates
  1. Service Coordination Management Team
     + Discussed a couple of cases. One family was approved for car repairs and the cost is just over $1,000; vehicle is only means of transportation for family.
     + Disengagement Policy – If unable to get family to engage after 3 attempts, FCFC will then reach out to referring agency and other agencies involved to try to contact. FCFC will then make 3 more attempts. If family does not engage, FCFC will send disengagement letter and then within 10 days of that letter being sent, family will be moved to inactive.
     + Committee discussed if FCFC needs to wait 10 days to move from active to inactive. Determined as a committee they will continue with disengagement policy as is.
     + Funding caps for families: Sent email to other FCFCs to determine if they have funding caps for each family. Discussion will continue once more information is gathered.
  2. Parent Advisory Committee-Julie Westcott
     + Met in October.
     + Assets: FYRE program through DJFS is huge asset in community. Teen Leadership is good program that is offered.
     + Concerns: lack of comprehensive programs for youth with developmental disabilities in community, primarily in schools. Lack of positive activities for youth after schools.
     + Meeting will be held quarterly.
     + Foster, kinship and adoptive parents support group offered at IVY the third Thursday of the month at 6pm. Julie requested that FCFC consider assisting with paying for food for support groups. Executive Committee will discuss this request and report back to group.
  3. Executive Committee Report
     + **Financial Report Approval: September-October, 2021 (SFY22) (Motion #2)**
       - Central Coordination, under Early Intervention, shows as $3,000 and it is actually $6,000.

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| Motion 2 | To approve the Financial Report: September-October, 2021 (SFY22) with Central Coordination correction. | | |
| Motion Made By: | Carol Robinson | Seconded: | Julie Westcott |

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|  | Steve Burggraf, Family  Life Counseling - absent | X | Kristen Cardone, HC Mental  Health and Addiction Services | X | Brad Cooley, Norwalk  City Schools |
|  | Dave Daniels, City of  Norwalk Police  Department - absent |  | Mary Helton, Fisher-Titus  Medical Center - absent |  | Tim Hollinger, Huron  County Public Health - absent |
|  | Lindsey Kimball,  Parent Representative - absent |  | Lenora Minor, HCDJFS - absent | X | Julie Westcott, Parent  Representative |
| X | Jeff Ritz, Willard City  Schools | X | Carol Robinson, Early  Intervention |  | Jennifer Tuttle, Parent  Representative - absent |
| X | Kari Smith, HC Board of DD |  | Janice Warner, CAC  EHR/Head Start - absent |  | Harry Brady, Huron  County Commissioner - absent |

**Motion approved.**

* Director’s Report
  1. Service Coordination/Wraparound/Placements
     + Service Coordination: 36 Active Families
     + High Fidelity Wraparound: 15 Referrals
     + Placements: 4 Youth
  2. OHYES! Assessment Results
     + 5 schools participated: Bellevue, Monroeville, New London, Norwalk Catholic, Willard.
     + Schools are doing a great job in offering activities, bullying not as high as anticipated
     + Discussion regarding suicide data, marijuana data, and ACES information.
     + Hailey to follow up with OHYES! to determine what the schools need to do to get their district’s unique data as they have not received yet.
  3. Disengagement Policy- No Changes Made- No Vote Required
     + Disengagement Policy discussed earlier in the meeting.
  4. OhioRISE/FFPSA Updates
     + Involves multiple organizations including DD, FCFC, MHAS, DJFS, etc.
     + FFPSA: focuses on least restrictive level of care and keeping youth at home with families whenever possible
     + OhioRISE (July 2022): increase availability of community based and in home services
       - Multisystem Therapy, Functional Family Therapy, Mobile Response and Stabilization Services, High Fidelity Wraparound
     + CANS Assessments will be required for all youth
       - FCFC may create MOUs with agencies to complete CANS (Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths) assessments for youth as a CANS assessment will be required for all youth in the program.
  5. Handle With Care
     + Introduced possibility of implementing Handle with Care in Huron County; could fall under Trauma Informed Community initiative.
     + Collaborative of law enforcement, schools, other support organizations, community based behavioral health provider.
* Old Business
  1. No old business
* New Business
  1. Agency Updates
     + Reach Our Youth/CASA: 145 applications for giving tree and have one tag left. Salvation Army also doing something similar.
     + Huron County Board of DD will be doing a food drive and will be giving to the Salvation Army.
     + Norwalk City Schools doing food and clothing drives. Just hired a Social Worker, Jackie White, who was previously working at Cornerstone Counseling in Bellevue. Norwalk City Schools will now be contributing for Wraparound.
     + Prevention Coalition has next meeting Monday (11/22) at 2pm. Recently did Red Ribbon Week and Bullying Prevention.
       - New format: will have full meetings for first 30 minutes and then will go into breakout sessions for each Committee.
     + DJFS will have coats available for all kids; no application required. Niki will send info to group.
     + Willard City Schools putting big push into mental wellbeing and culture of staff. Received large grant from state to do culture activities. Will be bringing Jerry Brooks 12/22 at 1pm and 2pm and will have food trucks. Jeff will send information out to everyone.
     + November 30th from 12:30pm – 3pm: OhioRISE mini-forum
* **Adjourn (Motion #3)**

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| Motion 6 | Meeting Adjourn Approval | | |
| Motion Made By: | Mary Valentine | Seconded: | Jeff Ritz |

**Motion Approved.**

**Next FCFC Meeting: January 19th, 2021 @ 9:00 AM**

**Location: Huron County Board of DD**