



Washington Association  
for Children & Families

**10:00 a.m. – Noon, Tuesday August 16, 2016**  
**Meeting summary, Association Meeting**  
**Lutheran Community Services**  
**4040 South 188<sup>th</sup> Street, SeaTac WA 98188, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor**

**Members Present:** Tom Rebiesa, Chuck Cole, Paulette Caswell, Brian Carroll, Nikki Brown, Susan Maney, Carol Almero, Rod Johnson, Joanne Stimson, Jeff Clare, Jessie DiPardo, Kerry Ann Shaughnessy, Charlotte Booth, Kris Sanborn, Karen Brady

**Members on phone:** Linda Thomas, Kim Zacher, April Cathcart, Mary Johnson

<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Decisions</b>
<b>1. Call to order – Check in</b>		
<b>2. Review of minutes of the July meeting</b>		Motion to approve carried.
<b>3. Financial Report</b>	Copy of draft budget was submitted by Jessie. Projected dues \$25,000 - \$27,000. Moved budget to actuals. Consultation for filing taxes is included.	Motion to approve carried.
<b>4. Budget Approval</b>		Motion to approve carried.
<b>5. Deadline for annual dues</b>	September 9 is the deadline for members except those we billed late.	

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<b>6. Public Policy Committee structure</b>	Brian presented a comprehensive DRAFT for committee structure. Timeline to finalize the agenda will be August. There is no national agenda included. We will have a legislative arm and an administrative arm to focus meetings with CA on topics such as licensing timelines. Each division will be included. All committee members must be ready to respond quickly to legislative issues. All member agencies are requested to be clear when meeting with legislative partners and keep committee informed.	Let Brian and division chairs know if you are interested in serving on the committee. Please send draft feedback.
<b>7. Div. Legislative / Administrative priorities</b>	The Public Policy Agenda was discussed within the working format presented. The CPA and FPSS divisions both have Parent Child Visitation reimbursement on their agenda, with different requests from each division.	CPA and FPSS divisions will come to an agreement on how they address PCV.
<b>8. Division Reports</b>	<p>CPA Division plans to work with Oliver, work on post adoption support, placement stability and transportation rates.</p> <p>FPSS Division is working closely with CA. State is going to implement a unified contract, which will create changes in reporting for some services, including adding use of the CANS. CA has announced a training for all CANS users, which will include how to use the tool in a culturally responsive manner.</p> <p>BRS Division: Nikki Brown has agreed to Vice Chair. Discussed Coordinated Care taking over all behavioral health care in 2018. Families First passed the House and is likely to pass the Senate. Requests funding from states for prevention and makes group care a medical necessity. States will have to pay 100% rather than 50% of costs. Rep. Kagi and the Casey Foundation are supportive. 24/7 nursing staff will be required.</p>	
<b>9. Division Names</b>	Committees are discussing names to be more inclusive of all services provided under child welfare and also to better describe what they do.	
<b>10. CA-WACF September Meeting</b>	Agenda discussed.	
<b>11. Coordinated Care presentation</b>		Tom will invite the Coordinated Care reps to our next WACF meeting.
<b>12. Adjournment</b>		

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