



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

Members Present: Tom Rembiesa, Charlotte Booth, Ifeanyi Chukwu, Jessie DiPardo, Greg Dootson, Joanne Stimson, Chuck Cole, Erin Larson, Jeff Clare, Brian Carroll, Rose Quinby, Linda Thomas, Mark Fullington, Linda Conchi	Teleconference: Calvin Simpson, Julianne Peterson
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1. Call to order – Check-in (5 Min.)		The meeting was called to order at 10:10 a.m.
2. Minutes of previous meeting		There was a motion to approve the minutes as written. The motion carried.
3. National / State Legislative Updates (30 Min.)	<p>The Keeping Kids in Families initiative is in the Senate Fiscal Committee.</p> <p>Brian presented a WACF Legislative Update and Call for Action.</p> <p><u>CPA</u> – The CPA Rate Restoration continues to look strong, especially in the House.</p> <p><u>FPSS</u> – Charlotte reported that they have had tremendous success and have strong support from several legislators on the Payment of Full Rate for Traveling to Client Homes.</p> <p><u>BRS</u> – The Forecasting as a standalone item is not going to happen this session. WACF is not advocating BRS Forecasting anymore, at this time. There is some behind the scenes work being done on forecasting.</p>	<p>Brian will forward the next e-mail update he receives.</p> <p><u>CPA</u> - Asking members to contact their legislators and ask them to contact the heads of their budget committees: Rep. Hans Dunshee, House Appropriations Committee and Sen. Andy Hill, Senate Ways & Means Committee. Please ask them to include the CPA Rate Restoration in their budget. It is important to include the <u>inflationary increase</u> in their request.</p> <p><u>FPSS</u> – Contact your legislators and ask them to contact the heads of the budget committees (above) and ask them to include the full</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>SB 6229</u> - didn't get out of committee. The language remains problematic. WACF will work with CA in the off session on this bill. • <u>SB 5915</u> – Fiscal notes – This bill states that if you have fiscal notes you have to have two, what the bill will cost, and also the cost if the bill is not enacted. This is associated with various child welfare proposals. • <u>SB 6494</u> – This bill will create a large committee for overseeing mental health services in children and youth. • Host Home Legislation passed. <p>The session wraps up March 10.</p>	<p>reimbursement for travel in the supplemental budget.</p> <p><u>BRS</u> – For now let your legislators know about BRS Services and the funding needs that need to be addressed in the 2017-2019 budget if not this year.</p> <p>E-mail Sen. Joe Fain on <u>SB 5915</u> and <u>SB 6494</u> and ask that they get passed out of the Senate to the House.</p>
4. Financial Report	Jessie reported that the bank balance is approximately \$25,100, and \$4,500 of that is allocated to Georgia State University.	
5. BRS No Decline Contracts (30 Min.)	There was discussion on the RFI on No Decline. The RFI asked for information on homes with 6-8 beds. It was agreed that there needs to be new language and a new concept that better represents the co-responsibility between providers and Children's Administration in such contracts.	
6. Ad-hoc Continuing Education Committee Update (15 Min.)	Paulette Caswell and Mike Canfield were unable to attend the meeting but they are doing a great job on the Continuing Education Committee. They are still hoping to add a third member. Their first training has been scheduled for April 5 th – Move is a Four Letter Word: Transitioning Children and will be held at Amara in Seattle. Details are on the WACF website Events page.	
7. CA/WACF Meeting Agenda – Legislative / Administrative Issues (20 Min.)	There were many topics discussed for possible agenda items.	It was decided that we would like to ask Jennifer (CA) what they would like from the next meeting.
8. Divisions Reports (15 Min.)	<u>FPSS</u> - Charlotte reported that the FPSS Division had a meeting with Tim Kelly last week. With all the things going on with privatization in Spokane, two issues have arisen. One is the cloud-based storage and the other is the need for data	

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	<p>sharing agreements that aren't currently in place. POC is working on data for the Spokane privatization and got some special dispensation from DSHS to do cloud storage. Tim has decided to take on these two issues and Charlotte is confident it will get cleaned up. Also, Tim made an announcement that we are cost sharing so there's no need to pay for training anymore. There's a series of meetings that Tim has agreed to and he will re-evaluate the EBP's.</p> <p><u>CPA</u> - Joanne reported that the CPA Division worked on the WACF/CA agenda. They want to thank the CA for partnering with them around the CPA Rate Restoration. They would like to partner with DLR to work on licensing and timeframes. Another possible topic might be a minimum income requirement.</p> <p><u>BRS</u> – The BRS Division met with Jenny Heddin. Her main reason for meeting was to look at costs of BRS services. They looked at the 2009 rate study. Jenny also talked about a robust continuum of care. Rose said it was a good meeting and well attended. The second part of the meeting was the BRS Division meeting and they worked on their agenda for the upcoming CA meeting. Some of the items discussed were; going from WAC violations to CPS investigations, best practices, out-of-state kids, and licensing.</p> <p>On a side note, Rose mentioned that the Metrocenter YMCA has rebranded itself as Accelerator YMCA that includes all of the Child Welfare and Mental Health Services.</p>	
<p>9. Adjournment – Check Out (5 Min.)</p>		<p>The meeting was adjourned at 11:58 a.m.</p>