



10:00 a.m. – Noon, Tuesday May 17, 2016
Meeting summary, Association Meeting
Lutheran Community Services
4040 South 188th Street, SeaTac WA 98188, 3rd Floor

Members Present: Tom Rembiesa, Linda Thomas, Chuck Cole, Julianne Peterson, Nikki Brown, Greg Dootson, Rod Johnson, Kris Sanborn, Paulette Caswell, Jeff Judy, Joanne Stimson, Brian Carroll, Rose Quinby, Karen Brady

Members on Teleconference: Mary Johnson, Carol Almero, Charlotte Booth, Jim Theofelis, Laurie Lippold, Gwen O'Neill, Mike Canfield

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1. Call to order – Check in (5 min.)		The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m.
2. Review of minutes of the April meeting (5 min.)		There was a motion to approve the minutes as written. The motion carried.
3. Financial Report (5 min.)	Jessie DiPardo was not able to attend but reported that the bank balance is approximately \$18,600.	
4. May 20th Stakeholders Meeting w/ Jenny Heddin – Children's Administration (20 min.)	21 people have registered to attend. Sandwiches, salad, drinks and desserts will be provided.	Each division will bring copies of their division's one-pager to distribute to everyone.
5. Division Reports (20 min.)	<p>CPA – Joanne reported on the May 5th CPA Meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some new people from Kingdom Kidz joined their meeting. Kingdom Kidz is a King County agency that's just getting started and are looking at the interim assessment contract from Region 2. • Nominations for the new CPA Chair were requested. • There was a lot of discussion around the structure of CPA's and funding. 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Streamlining of licensing will be a major priority for the May 20th meeting as well as continued legislative discussions. • There was a meeting in Region 3 regarding crisis placements facility: State wants to know why no agencies responded to RFP. Providers responded that it can't be done for the monies purposed. • Agencies needing to work on consistent refusal language. <p>FPSS – Charlotte reported that at their last FPSS Division meeting their major topics were:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Continuing lack of transparency in the CA's decision making process for deciding what providers get selected for slots in evidence based practice training. Tim Kelly will work with his regional people to follow the guidelines that were decided on. 2. There will be an upcoming desk audit of all the Family Preservation Service providers. The state will be looking at timeliness of reports and how agencies implemented culturally responsive practices. <p>Nominations for the new FPSS Chair were also requested.</p> <p>BRS –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rose reopened the process to send Jenny Heddin BRS annual costs. Two agencies have responded so far and two others that she knows of, are currently working on getting Jenny costs. • Rose and Brian have been working on the BRS one-pager (to fully fund BRS services) for the May 20th Stakeholder's meeting. • Nominations for the new BRS Chair were requested. • Brian asked for input on the BRS one-pager. He asked if members think it's okay to ask to fully fund BRS services with a higher rate for facility-based programs. Rose added: "Establish a rate structure consistent with placement intensity, including a higher rate for the highest needs youth in BRS therapeutic foster care..." • Brian distributed the Placement Stability Proviso. WACF will take the lead on following up with the work group. We'd like to show our enthusiasm about the proviso and participating in the work group and follow through with the legislative intent of the proviso. 	<p>Please provide specific feedback on top 3 issues w/potential solutions/outcomes to Brian Carroll by Tuesday May 24th. Linda will scan and post the Placement Stability Proviso to the WACF website under the Membership Resource Page.</p>
<p>6. Department of Children & Family Services - Children's Alliance Position (15 min.)</p>	<p>Tom was going to share some operating principles that the Children's Alliance had put together that they were going to pass along to the Governor for the Blue Ribbon Commission. It hasn't been published yet so Tom will share it at a later date.</p>	

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7. Oliver Foster Care Presentation discussion and opportunities for agencies (30 min.)	<p>POC finalized their proposal around Oliver being utilized as a foster care licensing portal for agencies and foster parents. The portal is designed to streamline the licensing process and make it so that everything can be done online. The foster care portal has a price tag of \$750,000. POC will invest \$300,000, private agencies were initially asked to come up with \$100,000. Philanthropy funding will be \$350,000. The Giddens Foundation has offered to match private agency's donations up to \$50,000. So far, five agencies have committed \$20,000 each. Brian has been asked to come up with \$50,000 more from private agencies and The Giddens Foundation would match the other \$50,000.</p> <p>Jim Theofelis added that the 3 main things Oliver is looking at currently are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supervised visitation in Spokane • Runaway and Homeless Youth Service array • Foster care licensing process 	<p>Let Brian know if your agency would like to donate.</p>
8. Last call for nominations (5 min.)	<p>Tom asked for a last call for nominations. There was discussion on how the elections would happen.</p>	<p>Any nominees that were nominated for a position with more than one nominee will send Linda Conchi one paragraph describing their qualifications and their role at WACF by May 24th. Linda will send out the Survey Monkey ballot to be voted on by May 31st.</p>
9. Ad Hoc Training Committee (10 min.)	<p>The second WACF training is today, (May 17th). It is a CEU training called NEAR Training (Neuro Sciences epigenetics, adverse childhood experiences, and resilience research). It is for in-home providers working with birth parents. The third training will be in partnership with Coordinated Care and will be Trauma Training at Muckleshoot in September. After the first three trainings, WACF will apply for our own CEU's.</p> <p>The Ad Hoc Training Committee would like to do an Ethics training; 6 hr. trainings on ethics applicable to in-home providers, foster care, BRS and adoption. They are looking for people to do lead these trainings.</p>	<p>Please let Paulette Caswell or Mike Canfield know if you'd be willing to lead one of the ethics trainings.</p>
10. Adjournment – Check out (5 min.)		<p>The meeting was adjourned at 1:08 p.m.</p>

Prepared by Linda Conchi