



**Washington Association
for Children & Families**

**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, January 7, 2020 10:00am – 12:00pm
2100 Bldg. – 2100 24th Ave S, Seattle, WA 98144 - 3rd floor Art Room**

Members Present: Jill May, Jeff Clare, Brian Carroll, Charlotte Booth, Karen Brady, Nikki Brown, Ray Deck III, Susan Brook, Cindy Steele	Members Absent:
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Agenda Item	Discussion	Decisions
1. Approve minutes of the December meeting		The motion to approve the minutes carried.
2. Financial Report	Ray reported that the bank balance is \$401,691.	
3. Executive Director items for discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sunrise Outreach is no longer a member. They had never paid their dues. • Jill had a conversation with Steve Grilli last week. She had initially asked Steve and Frank to meet with her but Frank was not available. She shared her concerns about Frank and Jenny being the only ones that are able to make decisions. Decisions are being made in isolation. She also shared a list of concerns with both BRS and CPA, and the IL contract. She asked for a statewide BRS providers meeting but they want to do one on the east side and one on the west side. Jill discussed the CPA contract but it seemed that Steve was not part of the CPA contract discussion. Holly Luna taking over the CPA contract 1/1/20. • The Family Connections Program pilot that a small group, including Laurie Lippold, a foster parent, Parents for Parents has been working on ended up in the Governor's budget. • Jill went to the first WA State Supreme Court Commission on Children in Foster Care (Joint Commission) meeting. There were influential people in the room and it will be a good opportunity for WACF. Jill will try to do more 	

	<p>formalized notes after every meeting in the future.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jill submitted a request to Ballmer (3yrs, approx. \$700K for operating costs) on 1/6/20. She still needs to pull together a grant application for Perigee. • FPSS meetings are going well and Jill has a monthly meeting scheduled with Taku. 	
4. 501c3	<p>Today the group was tasked with choosing a name for the 501c3 and an established statement of exempt purpose.</p>	<p>Name selected: WACF Institute of Practice Improvement.</p> <p>The statement of exempt purpose will be: Practice improvement component of WACF and designed to improve service of children and families.</p> <p>Officers will stay the same plus one member from the east side and will meet quarterly.</p>
5. Member Types	<p>The board reviewed the new definitions of Member Types that Jill distributed.</p>	<p>The motion to approve the Member Types carried.</p>
6. Dues Models	<p>There was continued discussion on how to determine the new dues structure.</p>	<p>It was decided that for the first year, dues will be self-reported, based on child welfare expenses and there will be a maximum of \$10K in year 3. Jill will send the board the percentages that will be used to calculate dues for year 1, 2 and 3.</p>
7. WACF Bylaws	<p>The board reviewed the summary of proposed changes to the Bylaws.</p>	<p>It was decided to add an Eastern WA Vice President to the Bylaws.</p> <p>Jill will send out the proposed Bylaws on Friday 1/10/20 and they will be voted on at the 1/21/20 membership meeting.</p>
8. Legislative Agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jill's thoughts on WACF having a position on the BRS rate in the Governor's budget is that we would support it if it comes up but not testify. Brian suggested that WACF acknowledge that it was not our request but it is clearly a need. It's also a competing need and the bigger crisis is the CPA rate. The BRS rate was a DP that DCYF put forward. • The in-home travel rate would increase the existing amount by \$2M • The CPA rate is a fiscal note for \$7M 	
9. Member Meeting Jan 21st Agenda		<p>We were not able to cover this agenda item.</p>