## WASHINGTON ASSOCIATION FOR CHILDREN & FAMILIES

## **MINUTES**

FPSS Division September 3, 2015 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM

## **Conference Call**

Members Present: Charlotte Booth, Christi Lyson, Dave Kucklick, Ifeanyi	Members Absent: Andrew Hill, Anna Thompson, Anne Snook , Diana
Chukwu, , Kerry Ann Shaughnessy, Kim Zacher, Melissa Gorgone, and	Crawford, Diane Shepard, Gary Romjue, Jessie DiPardo, Jodie Smetak, Kris
Shannon Bane	Sanborn, Marie Preftes-Arenz, Scott Hanauer , and Tom Rembeisa,

Agenda Item	Discussion	Decisions
Call to order and check-in for topics members would like to add to the agenda.	There were no new items added to the agenda	The meeting came to order at 3:05 PM
2. Review of minutes of the July meeting.	The minutes were reviewed and no changes suggested.	

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<ul> <li>3. FPSS Division Legislative Agenda for this year</li> <li>Full payment for travel time?</li> <li>Funding for EBP training and QA?</li> <li>Background checks?</li> <li>FAR?</li> <li>Rate Restoration across divisions</li> </ul>	Some of these possible items are not necessarily legislative issues. We may be able to resolve some through administrative advocacy with the CA, and should start with that. There are meetings going on with CA and others about background check issues and problems in FAR After those meetings we will have a better idea whether legislative intervention is needed.  Full payment for travel time is a holdover from last year.  It has become very clear that the reason the CA has pulled back on EBP training, and is moving to requiring providers to cost-share, it because the training and QA is being paid for with direct service dollars. The legislature did not provide additional funding when they passed the EBP legislation.  One focus of the background checks workgroup is requiring use of readily available technology, being used in other states, that provides almost instant fingerprint check reports.  FAR is serving high risk abuse cases, and should not. There are no data being provided about what services families are actually receiving in the community.  The BRS and FPSS Divisions got part of the rate restoration requested last legislative session, and the CPA Division got nothing. This has raised the issue of whether WACF should prioritize the CPA request this year rather than present a platform with requests from all divisions. We agreed it is vital all divisions hang together. In the end, like last year, we will run with whatever parts of our platform find a legislative champion.	Definite advocacy agenda items will be:  1.Full payment for travel time  2. Funding for EBP training and QA  3.Require use of modern technology in fingerprint checks.
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4. Agenda items for October quarterly meeting with CA, and decision about who will attend.	Charlotte will attend. No other volunteers came forth for the October meeting with the CA.	Members who would like to attend the CA meeting will let Charlotte know.
<ul> <li>Other business</li> <li>Is the first         <ul> <li>Thursday of the             month at 3:00 the             best time for our             meetings?</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Many options were explored, with the second Wednesday of the month at 1:30 or the first Thursday at 3:00 emerging as the only times that worked for all.  Because many members were not present, Charlotte agreed to contact them before we determine a final meeting day and time.	Note: subsequent to the meeting, after contact with absent members, it was determined that the first Thursday at 3:00 remains the best option for our meetings, and will continue to be the meeting time.

6. Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 PM.	

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