

## OPEN MEETING MINUTES

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Name of Governmental Body: Children Come First Advisory Committee (CCFAC)		Attending: Phyllis Greenberger, Tim Connor, Chris Keenan, Linda Hall, Hugh Davis, Ann Kelley-Kuehmichel, Thai Vue, Robin Raj, Phil Robinson, Sara Hotchkiss, John Bauman, Emily Tofte, Zachary Todd, Adrea Jacobson, William Seymour, Scott Strong, Brian Dean, Kaitlin Tolliver, Kenya Bright, Ron Hauser, Jill Ellinwood, Jason Cram, Teresa Steinmetz
Date: 7/23/2019	Time Started: 10:05 AM	Time Ended: 1:45 PM
Location: Dane County Job Center		Presiding Officer: Phyllis Greenberger & Ron Hauser

### Minutes

1. Introductions
2. Announcements
  - a. Thai Vue is retiring from his position and will be resigning from the CCFAC. He will advise his replacement to contact Jason Cram regarding future meeting attendance
3. Approval of 04/23/2019 Meeting Minutes
  - a. Correction – Mr. Davis stated, “This [children’s’ system of care] is the most important children’s’ mental health initiative in Wisconsin”
  - b. Motion to approve by Ms. Tolliver, second by Mr. Strong, motion carried unanimously
4. Ms. Greenberger and Mr. Hauser provided an update of their meeting with DHS Deputy Secretary Julie Willems Van Dijk
  - a. Ms. Steinmetz, Mr. Hauser, and Ms. Greenberger attended the meeting with Julie Willems Van Dijk to discuss the CCFAC and the Children’s System of Care
  - b. Recommendations and takeaways:
    - i. Suggestion to meet with staff at UW Population Health to develop a briefing paper/legislative briefing in order to inform legislators of our efforts
    - ii. Suggestion for CCFAC members to approach legislators individually in order to promote initiative and identify funding needs
    - iii. Julie was very supportive of the committee’s efforts, asked many questions, and is interested in attending a future meeting
  - c. Discussion:
    - i. Mr. Davis – going to legislators without DHS asking for this to be in the budget is a non-starter
    - ii. Mr. Davis – expressed that bringing in additional state money would help to secure federal grant money for system of care development
    - iii. Ms. Greenberger – provided clarification on the budget situation and spoke about getting this in to the budget at the next opportunity
    - iv. Mr. Robinson – expressed support for meeting with UW Population Health
    - v. Mr. Bauman – asked if anyone was aware of legislators who are potential champions of this initiative and if so, expressed that the committee should be approaching them
    - vi. Mr. Todd – requested clarification on what we would be asking UW Population Health to be doing, would they be making a funding request on behalf of the committee or would they be presenting on what purpose of the CCFAC
    - vii. Tim Connor – clarified the purpose of the legislative briefings is to provide education on a specific topic and often involves 2-3 content expert speakers; the purpose is not to specifically ask for money; UW Population Health, in preparation for the briefing, would conduct research and write a briefing paper
    - viii. Mr. Hauser – asked the CCFAC whether or not this idea should be pursued; there was consensus that this idea should be pursued; Tim Connor indicated he would help facilitate the meeting

5. SOC Vision:
  - a. Ms. Greenberger provided a history of the development of the vision
  - b. The version of the vision the SOC Advisory Committee proposed be presented to the CCFAC for consideration is: "Children and families are valued, understood, and supported in their communities."
  - c. Ms. Ellinwood made a motion to approve the vision as presented, Mr. Robinson seconded the motion. During discussion Mr. Vue stated he was happy with the wording of the vision; motion passed unanimously
6. System of Care updates provided by Ms. Teresa Steinmetz
  - a. Effective 7/22/19 Ms. Steinmetz is the new Deputy Bureau Director of the Bureau of Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery
  - b. Update on the progress in achieving the 2019 SOC Priorities
    - i. Recast vision – completed
    - ii. Integrate principles into rule/vision – in progress
    - iii. Set standards for personnel and supervision – can't set standards but can promote best practices and recommendations
  - c. Update on internal and external committees
    - i. SOC Advisory Committee: Mission development - met to discuss theme and structure; a draft was developed which is to go to the Internal SOC Committee
  - d. Mr. Davis expressed his frustration with the state not being able to mandate but rather only promote best practices and recommendations; the following discussion then took place
    - i. Ms. Steinmetz suggested the CCFAC committee further discuss this
    - ii. Ms. Bright spoke about the county home rule concept in WI
    - iii. Ms. Ellinwood spoke about the counties needing to meet minimum standards so they do not fall out of compliance
    - iv. Ms. Ellinwood also expressed that the CCFAC needs to show leadership on this issue
    - v. Ms. Hotchkiss expressed frustration from providers who work with multiple counties each having a different set of standards
    - vi. Mr. Hauser also indicated he is aware of the frustration from provider due to the lack of consistent standards across counties
    - vii. Mr. Hauser expressed that he believes the legislature is a barrier to the process of developing a true and meaningful system of care
    - viii. Mr. Strong suggested that we don't pursue a statewide system of care until we can decide on consistent practice standards
    - ix. Mr. Strong asked Ms. Steinmetz about incorporating practice standards into contracting requirements
    - x. Ms. Steinmetz stated the CST funding is only \$60,000 and this does not go far for a county; typically it pays for a position; the approach DHS takes is to promote wraparound as best practice and to integrate CST and CCS
    - xi. Mr. Robinson asked if there is a way to have fidelity standards that can be verified in some way
    - xii. Mr. Todd suggested there is a balance with a county run system; the counties know what is best for their communities but this does create inconsistencies; however a state-run system can become overly rigid
    - xiii. Mr. Todd suggested incentivizing fidelity
    - xiv. Mr. Davis asked about legislation that was passed in 2018 regarding the interpretation of rules and Ms. Steinmetz replied that this is currently under review by OLC
    - xv. Ms. Bright spoke about DHS providing TA and at times there is a reluctance from counties to accept or ask for TA due to funding, a reluctance to take on something new, it requires a culture shift, lack of capacity, and lack of resources
7. Presentation: CCS and CST 2018 Data
  - a. Report provided by Chris Keenan and Tim Connor of DHS
  - b. Data reports available on DHS website

- c. This report is a precursor to the statewide CCS/CST meeting in September
- 8. Lunch provided
- 9. Office of Children's Mental Health 2018 Annual Report presentation
  - a. Linda Hall, the new OCMH Director presented the 2018 Annual Report
    - i. The charge of the OCMH is to improve services for children and families
    - ii. OCMH coordinates across multiple agencies including DOC, DPO, DHS, and DCF
    - iii. Website for OCMH is [www.children.wisconsin.gov](http://www.children.wisconsin.gov)
    - iv. The completion of an annual report is a requirement
    - v. Ms. Hall presented the Annual Report via a PowerPoint
    - vi. A robust discussion with questions and answers then took place
- 10. Discussion: CCFAC conducting site visits; define purpose and establish format
  - a. Ms. Steinmetz provided a handout from the DHS internal SOC team which summarized the listening sessions the team held with four counties regarding their SOC development
  - b. This handout prompted a lengthy discussion which included:
    - i. Should we have counties and tribes come to the CCFAC
      - 1. If so, perhaps begin with La Crosse
      - 2. We need to be specific in terms of what they should talk about
      - 3. Could co-present with the county specific CCS/CST data
    - ii. Could/should be counties that are struggling
    - iii. Purpose is not to be critical but to learn of the barriers so the CCFAC can develop a plan and formulate statewide recommendations
    - iv. Perhaps have a sub-group of the CCFAC go out to the counties for a site visit
    - v. Begin with requesting one or two counties come to CCFAC and then plan from there
- 11. Public comment – there was no public comment
- 12. Announcements
  - a. Mr. Davis – 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Children Come First Conference on Nov 11-12, 2019 at the Glacier Canyon Lodge in Wisconsin Dells
  - b. Mr. Vue – Thanks us for having the perfect lunch on his final meeting (rice); stated, "This group is the moon. I am proud and blessed to have been a part of it."
  - c. Mr. Hauser – Announced his resignation from the CCFAC; the next meeting (October) will be his final meeting; he has enjoyed his time on the CCFAC but it is time to truly be retired
    - i. Ms. Greenberger agreed to be a co-chair for one more year as part of her two year commitment
    - ii. If anyone is interested in being a co-chair, they should contact Ms. Greenberger
    - iii. An election of the co-chair position will take place at the October CCFAC meeting
- 13. Mr. Hauser motioned to adjourn the meeting with a second from Mr. Bauman; meeting adjourned at 1:45 PM

Prepared by: Jason Cram on 10/1/2019.

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