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February 23, 2022 - Meeting Minutes

Members present: Meghan McGrane, Mike Mackey, Tricia Bassing, Greta Rosenzweig, Cindy Agbayani, Terry Werner

Staff/Others present: Sharon Minter, PJ Gingery, Richard Orah, Carla Oliver, Jamala Williams, Diana Shupack

Meeting called to order at 2:04pm by T. Bassing with virtual meeting policy announcement read. Quorum present.

1. Welcome and Introductions

2. Executive (Closed) Session

- Motion made by M. Mackey, second by M. McGrane for ACPMT to enter closed session at 2:06pm. No additional discussion. Motion passed.
- Motion made by M. McGrane, second by M. Mackey to re-convene ACPMT meeting at 2:24pm. Motion passed.
- Via roll call, all ACPMT members present certified that "only matters that are excluded from public business were discussed during the closed session."

3. Public Comments: No requests to make public comments received.

4. Minutes of the January 26, 2022 meeting were reviewed. Motion to accept minutes made by M. Mackey, second by M. McGrane. No additional discussion. Motion passed.

5. Fiscal Reporting & Program Review

- **Finance Reports** – Presented by R. Orah. CSA FY22 allocation is \$9.7M. YTD expenditures are \$3.4M with 35% of allocation currently spent. YTD local match for expenditures is \$1.7M. YTD Refunds to CSA are \$25K. YTD expenditures billed to Medicaid are \$117K. The YTD local match for Medicaid billings, updated through November, is \$59K. YTD expenditures billed to IV-E are \$352K with no local match required.
- **CSA Reports** – Presented by J. Chapman and PJ Gingery. FY22 IEP Wrap allocation is \$78,838 with \$63K encumbered to date. There is approximately \$16K remaining. J. Chapman will continue to monitor usage to determine if supplemental funding is needed. FY22 Protected funds allocation is \$201,836 with \$76K encumbered thus far.
 - FAPT continued to hear cases every week utilizing the MS Teams virtual platform. Any technical issues encountered are managed. During the month of January, the FAPT team reviewed 26 cases as follows: 20- Foster Care, 1-Foster Care Prevention, 3-Parental Agreement, 1-IEP and 1-Protected Funding.
 - The current number of congregate care placements is 3: 1-Child Welfare and 2-Parental Agreements.
 - Question raised as to the extent to which family involvement and/or engagement, in the FAPT process, has been impacted over the course of the Pandemic? PJ Gingery responded that family involvement and engagement with the FAPT process has definitely been strengthened and increased during the last two years with the use of technology to hold virtual FAPT meetings. Families and other parties of interest find it more convenient to attend the FAPT meetings from wherever they may be without the added burdens of traffic and need to take time away from work. The FAPT Team asks families for their preference in

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meeting format and the majority express the desire to be able to continue attending these meetings virtually.

6. Discussion Items

1. Office of Children's Services (OCS) CPMT Conference Survey

- S. Minter will send an informal mini survey to CPMT members asking for input regarding upcoming statewide CSA conference that is planned for fall of 2022.

2. NOVA CSA Symposium

- This annual event, normally held in early March, is postponed in hopes of being able to have an in-person event at a later time.
- The planning committee wants to hold the event in a format that allows for a more personal environment and greater Provider interaction with case workers.
- Some tentative discussion held around potentially scheduling the event for this June. Will need to monitor status of COVID restrictions and determine availability of Presenters and the facility.

3. Status Updates

- Children & Youth Community Plan (CYCP)
 - Sub-committees are providing progress reports on aligned strategies.
 - T. Bassing reported on CSB work done to date with ACPS around increasing access to behavioral health support services with the school setting.
 - The sub-committee tasked with identifying, exploring access to and gaps in behavioral health services for school-aged children is awaiting the name of the final ACPS staff to serve on the committee.
 - S. Minter met with members of the Children, Youth and Families Collaborative Commission (CYFCC) to provide an update on status of sub-committee and to acquaint members with CSA.
- Crossover Youth Practice Model (CYPM)
 - M. Mackey informed that the supplemental request for a CYPM Coordinator position was not put forward in the budget for next fiscal year. Some discussion held about looking at ways to seek that type of support later this year.
 - Progress being made on developing a resource guide for youth leaving detention.
 - Collaboration with Georgetown will continue, at no-cost extension, through April 2022.
 - Legislation on information sharing is moving forward unanimously.
- Family First Initiative
 - The Virginia Department of Social Services in collaboration with the Center for Evidence-Based Partnerships in Virginia is working to implement four additional evidence-based programs. The new programs to be introduced are: Brief Strategic Family Therapy, Motivational Interviewing, Homebuilders and Family Check-Up.
 - Two upcoming open-house sessions, scheduled for March 2 and March 4, will allow interested parties to learn more about all of the evidence-based services, those currently available and the anticipated new services planned for Virginia.
 - Child Welfare is working with HR on finalizing the posting for the Kinship Navigator position.
- Racial & Social Equity Initiatives
 - DCHS Racial Equity survey results are currently being reviewed by Leadership Team and discussions being held around what can be implemented to support staff in this arena.
 - New position funded in the budget for a Race and Social Equity Program Manager within the City Manager's office.
 - Additional funding approved to expand the City's Community Outreach and Engagement initiative.
 - Child Welfare continues its work with the National Adoption Association on advancing racial equity within child welfare. Staff is completing work in focus groups. Next month, Child Welfare staff will participate in a workshop focused on ground-water analysis which looks at system and structural racism. The work coming out of the focus groups and workshop will then drive Child Welfare's strategic planning.
 - CSU is utilizing more intentional questions and screening around race and equity in their interview process.

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4. Policies

- Policy #16 – CSA Parental Agreements and Attachment B: additional edits were identified as being needed.
- Motion made by C. Agbayani, second by M. McGrane to re-approve Policy#16 and its attachment with identified edits. No additional discussion. Motion passed.
- Workgroups were not able to finalize reviews of policies #8, #10 and #17 prior to today's meeting.
- Workgroups will meet and incorporate any new information in policies #8, #10 and #17 in preparation for final review and approval by the ACPMT at the March meeting.
- Any additional policies that are made ready for final review and approval by the March meeting should be sent to S. Minter to be added to the March agenda.

5. Adjournment: With no further items to be discussed, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 3:45pm.

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic emergency, this meeting is being held electronically pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3708.2(A)(3), the Continuity of Government ordinance adopted by the City Council on June 20, 2020, and extended thereafter, or Section 4-0.01(g) in HB29 and HB30, enacted by the 2020 Virginia General Assembly (Virginia Acts of Assembly Ch. 1283 and 1289), to undertake essential business. Members of the Board and staff are participating from remote locations through a Zoom platform.