



Clay County Collaborative
Successful Partnerships building Successful Families
Governance Board
Thursday, September 5, 2019
Meeting Minutes

Members in attendance: Mike McCarthy, Lakeland Mental Health; Lanette Krinsky, Parent; Jim Haney, Clay County Board of Commissioners; Janelle Cheney, MN Department of Corrections; Marla Field, Barnesville Public School; Louise Dardis, The Village Family Service Center; Adair Boening, Churches United; Jane Neubauer, LCTS Coordinator; Carolyn Strnad, Collaborative Coordinator; A quorum was met.

Lanette welcomed everyone to the meeting. Motion to approve the agenda as written was approved. (Marla/Janelle) Motion to approve the September 5, 2019 minutes as written was approved. (Mike/Jim)

Collaborative funding policy

The Administrative group of the Collaborative has recommended that the current funding policy be modified to include a time period for submitting final invoices for programs/services. This decision was made due to waiting on several invoices in order to close out FY19 budget and report. Motion to approve the modified funding policy with a correction to the time period January 1st – June 30th and July 1st – December 31st and changing language to semi-annual instead of bi-annual was approved. (Mike/Adair)

Motion to approve Lanette Krinsky as parent representative to the Governance Board.

(Jim/Janelle) This action is required on an annual basis according to direction from the MN Department of Human Services.

The FY20 budget as of November was reviewed. Carolyn will correct error on the budget line for the Truancy Intervention Program. Pete Larson, Arc Board member is working with Carolyn to set up an easier budget to use.

LCTS Coordinator update:

- Quarter 3 payment of \$45,787 was significantly lower than the same quarter last year. We saw a similar trend in FY15 and FY16. Jane will check to see that the IVE rating was during that process. A brief discussion on the Family First Preservation Act which may or may not affect our funding levels. The Act will address keeping kids at home, reducing out

of home placement and has specific criteria for the Title IVE candidate list. Funding from the federal government flows to the state who will be looking at grant funding to counties to address the change in funding.

- Jane recommended that the Title IVE agreements be updated. This would require all partners participating in the time study would need to sign an updated agreement. Janelle shared that Rhonda Porter at Social Services collects signatures every year. Jane will check with her for the needed signatures.

Coordinator Update

- Restorative Justice program coordinator has resigned her position. The program was notified in October that the Office of Justice Program funding source for the program would be awarding renewal funds. To address these changes the county attorney's office will not be hiring a new coordinator. Michelle Olsonoski, county attorney office, will serve as coordinator. Two additional part time facilitators will be added to the staff for a total of three part time facilitators working 8 hours per week.
- Circle of Parents program facilitator has moved out of the area. Because of that change, the program has shut down. Remaining program funds will go back into the general fund.
- Truancy Intervention Program is down a staff person due to a family advocate leaving the program. Her work load will be divided up as best they can until another family advocate is hired. There was discussion on the effectiveness of the program. There is a struggle on what to do with students that are truant. The struggle is at the school, county and judicial system level. There is a monthly meeting with SROs, Social Service and Probation to address the ongoing challenge. Is it possible to use our funds for targeting the younger students? This would align with the early intervention of LCTS requirements. Mike asked that Carolyn talk with Rhonda Porter and Moorhead schools to gather additional feedback.
- The completed FY19 program data report was provided for review.
- Consensus was that Carolyn can sign the office lease agreement.

Next meeting: March 5, 2020 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm