

CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT PREVENTION BOARD MEETING MINUTES – approved 2/12/25 November 13, 2024 9 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Board Members Present: Jonette Arms, Sen. Joan Ballweg, Rep. Jill Billings, Paula Breese, Allison Budzinski, Sara Christensen, Lynn Cook, Alice Egan, Lance Horozewski, Julie Incitti, Molly Jasmer, Sen. LaTonya Johnson, Dr. Jennifer Kleven, Stephanie Lozano, Michael McHorney, William Olivier, Mary Anne Snyder, Rep. Pat Snyder, Vicky Tylka

Board Members Absent: Erika Traver

Guests Present: Kate Dickinson, Ashlee Franzen, Rebecca Gonnering, Sam Hope, Marissa Howe, Eric Koch, Jeff Langlieb, Joshua Mersky, Angela Moutry, Sarah O'Donnell, Jacob Taylor

Prevention Board Staff Present: Claire Ackerman, Evan Golden, Merrissa Johnson, Becky Mather, Kris Moelter, Rebecca Murray

Call to Order and Public Comment

Kleven called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. There were no public comments.

Introduction of New Board Member and Recognition of Sen. Ballweg

Kleven introduced Lance Horozewski, the new representative for the Department of Corrections. Kleven and Murray thanked Ballweg for her service on the Board.

Approval of August 14, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Breese moved to approve the minutes from the August 14, 2024 meeting and Cook seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Financial Summary

Keller reviewed the financial summary for July 1, 2024 – September 30, 2024. No concerns were raised.

SFY26 Contracts

Murray presented the results of the Parent Education Grant for SFY26. Olivier moved to award letters of intent to the following, and Arms seconded the motion. Breese recused. Motion carried.

- Family Resource Center St. Croix Valley
- Bay View Community Center
- The Parenting Place
- Family and Childcare Resources of NEW
- Northwest Connection Family Resources
- Treehouse Child and Family Center, Inc.
- Parents Place
- Western Dairyland
- Community Coordinated Childcare



Updated SFY25 Community Investment Plan/SFY26 Community Investment Plan

Murray presented the updated SFY25 Community Investment Plan and the SFY26 Community Investment Plan. The updates include the addition of a grant from the Roots and Wings Foundation for research on Parenting Inside Out in county jails and other parent education. Christensen moved to approve the plans and Ballweg seconded the motion. Egan recused. Motion carried.

Hello Baby, Racine County

Jeff Langlieb, Racine County Health Officer; Ashlee Franzen, Racine County Community Health Manager; Kate Dickinson, Racine County Public Health Community Health Supervisor; and Joshua Mersky, Co-Director, Institute for Child and Family Well-being at UW-Milwaukee presented on Racine County's Hello Baby program.

Public Policy Committee Report

Billings thanked Ballweg for her leadership on the Children's Caucus and children and family issues. The Public Policy Committee and Children's Caucus will start meeting again in January and meeting with new legislative members.

Performance Improvement Committee Report

Ackerman and Merrissa Johnson presented the SFY24 Community Investment Plan Report.

Celebrate Children Foundation Report

McHorney reported that the Foundation will be awarding reading/concrete support grants. It also is considering changing the Foundation investment firm to one with fewer fees and more nonprofit experience. The audit and 990 will also be reviewed.

Board Member Update

Cook updated the Board on the reduction in VOCA funding at the Department of Justice, thus reducing grants DOJ can award. Murray reported that DHS released a new Adverse Childhood Prevention report and released an RFA for an injury and violence prevention consultant. DHS has also hired a public health navigator for tribal communities.

Staff Report/Updates

Murray reported on the SFY24 and SFY25 agency goals.

Adjournment

Christensen moved to adjourn the meeting and Olivier seconded the motion. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 11:16 a.m.