



AGENDA

**October 10, 2013
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.**

Call to Order

Tracy Little, Chair

Attendance: Tracy Little, Christopher Goncalo, Heather Howlett, Joe Coleman, Gina Burns, Audra, Tom Shipley, Wendy Brown-Bergtold, Ginny Yauchzy, Kevin Carraro, Michelle Scott, Paula Ferrell, Connie Dobrin

ELC Updates: Kevin Carraro

Implications of HB 7165 on Early Learning Coalition. HB 7165 is a new law affecting ELC. Adopted kids were brought into eligibility preciously. Adopted children are no longer eligible as a result of HB 7165. This can be a standing item for updates. VPK is in full swing. More than 4000 kids have been enrolled. Up to 5000 can be enrolled. The wait list is through January 2014. There are about 1400 kids on the wait list. Not all of those kids will be eligible for day care benefits. Heather commented that this could be an obstacle to the DCF 5 year plan to support adoptive families.

1. Officer's Report
 - Approval of September Minutes, motion to approve Heather Howlett & Ginny Yauchzy.
2. Treasurers Report – none
3. DCF Report. DCF continues to train PI's on system of care transformation. They are being trained on making safety decisions based on safety vs. risk. Two more SOC Transformation workshops will be held in the next few weeks. Next Wednesday evening and the following Thursday. DCF is hoping for a December 2013 start date to roll out transformation tools and model implementation.
4. TIP Report, as a result of DJJ law suit, Brevard Detention Center may have to close. Kids would then be bused to Orange County. This may cause problems similar to unintended consequences when the same thing happened with Seminole County. This may affect parent's ability to pick up their kids from detention as some parents may not have transportation to go to Orange County to pick up their kids. DCF may then be called on those parents for abandonment allegations.
5. BFP/CARES Report CARES is hiring one new judicial care coordinator, program manager for CW non judicial cases and post adoption. They are accepting applications until the October 16th. The post adoption support position has been filled. CARES has partnered with Impower to service the families and ensure the adoptive parents do not feel alone when they have struggles with their adopted kids.
6. Membership Dues. Now that Yellow Umbrella will be the fiscal agent for CAPTF Chris will update the invoice with yellow umbrella information and send out to CAPTF mail list. We can now accept dues.

7. Board elections. Postponed to allow for paid voting members..
8. Survey has been finalized and will be sent out ASAP for feedback on what we do and possible improvements.
9. Speaker for 2014 Awards ceremony. Kevin suggested a speaker he heard from the ELC Colusia Flagler. Speaker from Healing Neen. Tom suggested Tracy Little. That he is knowledgeable, entertaining. Banquet sub committee will start to meet right after this meeting next month.
10. Social Media updates. This month will be updates on potty training. One way to prevent child abuse is to make sure people have accurate information on developmental milestones.
11. Agency Announcements. CAPTF/School Board – Parenting workshop was a big success. 350 parents, 35 info tables. It was the best yet. CAPTF gave out a lot of relevant information on developmental milestones and family development and parent support. More and more fathers and parents of teens attend each year. Devereux received 3 new foster parent referrals from this event. The food was again provided by Cocoa High School's Culinary Program. They did a great job with the food. 21 kids volunteered. Many teen parents attended. Break out for Hispanic families for the first time. Sign language was available. Paula will send Chris the date for the debrief meeting.

Paid dues: Joe Coleman – Odessa Training and Wendy Brown Begtold Coastal Behavioral

You may conference in at: 888-670-3525, PIN 1135488752

Next Meeting: November 14, 2013

9:00 am-10:00 am

Location: CARES

4085 S. US Hwy. 1

Rockledge, FL 32955

(approximately 1/8 mile south of Barnes Blvd. on the east side of US 1)