



## Regional Service Council Minutes Region # 15

**Meeting Date:** November 16, 2016  
**Meeting Location:** Ripley County DCS, Versailles 47042

### **Council Members Present:**

Barbara Bowling, R15 Manager, Chair  
Sandra Ante, Dearborn DCS Director  
Gary Keith, Jefferson DCS Director  
Michelle Russell, Ripley DCS Director  
Michelle Smith, Ohio DCS Director/Supervisor  
Jessica Witham, FCM/Switzerland County

### **Council Members Present by proxy:**

### **Council Members Absent:**

Sandy Thurston, Decatur DCS Director  
Amy Phillips, Foster/Adopt Parent/YES Home  
Chad Lewis, Jefferson County Prosecutor  
Dena Steiner, Proxy for Dearborn County Judge  
Natalie Williams, Proxy for Ripley County Judge

### **Others In Attendance:**

Bob Daugherty, Regional Finance Manager  
Jason Nelson, Regional Services Coordinator  
Hannah Robinson, New R15 Regional Services Coordinator  
Erica Roberts, Community Partner/IHBS  
Nick Miller, Community Partner/IHBS  
Teresa Nobbe, Secretary  
Stephen Groce, CHOICES  
Kenneth Malapote, Southwest IN Regional Youth Village  
Terri Davis, Youth Villages

<b>Meeting Minutes</b>
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**Meeting Called to Order at:** 1:30 pm

- I. Welcome/Roll Call – Barbara Bowling called meeting to order; introductions completed.
- II. Approval of September 21, 2016 RSC Minutes  
***Michelle Smith made a Motion to approve; Michelle Russell seconded; all in favor.***

### III. PROGRAMS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### A. Community Partners: Erica Roberts/Nick Miller

##### 1. Handout (Reports)

- Referral reports (Regional and Individual County) – referrals remain steady
- Budget Report - numbers look good heading into winter; will be able to assist families, etc.

##### 2. Erica shared success stories.

- Helped single dad connect with community resources including diabetes education



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#### B. Regional Finance Manager: Bob Daugherty

##### 1. Handout – Budget Reports

- DCS budget up 33% overall from this time last year
- Probation up just 1%

#### C. Regional Services Coordinator – Jason Nelson / Hannah Robinson

1. Hannah Robinson introduced as new Services Coordinator for regions 15, 7 & 12
2. Service Provider contracts ending 6/30/17 - counties will have the option to extend. More information coming.

#### D. Biennial Plan Update

##### 1. Direct On Site Education (DOSE) – Michelle Russell

- Michelle Russell, Erica Roberts & Debbie Gloyd: Group providing education to first responders within region 15 to help lower the infant mortality rate. It will include education on Safe Sleeping.

##### 2. SMART Recovery Program

- Terry Coy presented information about this program at the last meeting. Terry stated he would email information once funding was approved, but no one has received anything yet. Teresa emailed Terry for an update.

#### IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

##### A. Region 15 Adoption Event

1. To be held at Tyson Activity Center in Versailles on Friday, November 18 from 5-7 pm.
  - Carnival themed event
  - Open to anyone who has adopted a child.
  - Thanks to Ireland Staff for the financial donation (to help with food/drinks)
  - Thanks to Sandy Ante and staff for coordinating the event and to Heather Arnold for her assistance in getting door prizes.

#### V. NEW BUSINESS

##### A. 2017 RSC Schedule

1. RSC meetings will be held every other month at 1:30 pm in the Ripley DCS Training Room. Those dates are:  
 January 18, 2017  
 March 15  
 May 17  
 July 19  
 September 20  
 November 15.

*Sandy Ante made a motion to approve the 2017 RSC schedule; Hannah Robinson seconded; all in favor.*

#### **Next Meeting Date, Location and Time:**

January 18, 2017 / Versailles DCS Training Room / 1:30 pm

**Meeting Adjourned at:** 1:55 pm *Michelle Smith made a motion to adjourn; Sandy Ante seconded; all in favor.*