 **Regional Service Council Minutes**

**Region # 15**

**Meeting Date**: October 16, 2019

2019

**Meeting Location**: Ripley County DCS, Versailles 47042

**Council Members Present**:

Michelle Russell, Region 15 RM

Sandy Ante, Dearborn/Ohio Local Office Director

Denise Burton, Decatur Local Office Director

Gary Keith, Jefferson Local Office Director

Michelle Smith, Ripley Local Office Director

Teresa Patrick, Switzerland Local Office Director

Jon MacMurdo, Dearborn DCS Supervisor

Alyssa Shelton, Jefferson DCS Supervisor

Emily Jackson, FCM/Ripley County FCM

K-Lynn Minor, Jefferson FCM

Stacey Beauchamp, Advocates for Children

Morgan Thomas, Ripley County Probation

**Council Members Present by proxy:**

**Council Members Absent**:

Vacant, Proxy for Jefferson County Prosecutor

Shannon Schmaltz / Proxy for Ripley County Judge

Jennifer Sturges / Proxy for Judge Day, Decatur Circuit

Adam Rauch / Proxy for Judge Humphrey, Dearborn Circuit

Jackie Murray, Foster Parent

Kerri Fox, Foster Parent

**Others in Attendance**:

Erica Roberts, Community Partner/IHBS eroberts@ihbs.us

Nick Miller, Community Partner/IHBS nmiller@ihbs.us

Liz Stauth, Anthem liz.stauth@anthem.com

Barb Jacobs, Villages bjacobs@villages.org

Gabriela Quinones, Youth Villages Gabriela.Quinones-Cuellar@youthvillages.org

Megan Stafford, Youth Villages Megan.Stafford@youthvillages.org

Kathy Seymour, Abbott/Redwood [kseymour@redwoodtoxicology.com](mailto:kseymour@redwoodtoxicology.com)

Teresa Nobbe, DCS Clerical

**Meeting Minutes**

**Meeting Called to Order at**: 1:33 pm

1. Welcome/Roll Call – Introductions completed
2. Approval of Minutes:
3. ***Sandy Ante made a motion to approve minutes from July 17, 2019 meeting; Michelle Smith seconded; all in favor***
4. PROGRAMS/COMMITTEE REPORTS:
5. Community Partners / Erica Roberts & Nick Miller
6. Handouts: Quarterly, Referral, Budget & Flex fund reports

* Erica summarized report data
* Shared success stories
* Majority of flex funds utilized for utility and housing expense
* Currently under budget



1. Regional Finance Manager - Michelle Russell for Belinda Foreman
2. Handout for council members: Region 15 Budget stats; Overall the region came in slightly under budget at (-1%)
3. Regional Services Coordinator - Michelle Russell for Austin Hollabaugh
4. Services Coordinator position for Region 15 is still vacant
5. Biennial Plan Goal: Provider Presentations
6. None for October meeting
7. Council suggested Methadone Clinic, Unity House and CARE Program (Brenda Konradi) for future meetings
8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
9. NEW BUSINESS
10. Meeting time
11. Michelle Russell asked for approval to move the RSC meeting time to 2:00 pm. ***Gary Keith made a motion to approve; Alyssa Shelton seconded; all in favor.***
12. November Adoption Event: November 20, 2019 / 4:30 – 6:30 pm

* Location: Ripley DCS Training Room
* Invites will be sent Friday; rsvp to Cristi Brant at 812-663-6768 or cristi.brant@dcs.in.gov
* Activities for kids / food & drinks

1. Biennial Strategic Plan Public Hearing will be held on 12/16/19 at 10:00 am in the Ripley DCS Training Room.
2. Biennial Strategic Plan Workgroup will meet December 16th at 1:00 pm in the Ripley DCS Training Room.
3. PUBLIC BUSINESS
4. Medicaid Anthem: Liz Stauth brought more pamphlets with programs available including Tutoring
5. Ireland, CMHC, CHOICES & Dearborn DCS partnered to participate in the Navy Bean Festival. They passed out pin wheels, coloring books and lots of literature. Their float came in second!
6. Youth Villages is available to meet with local office staff to discuss services.
7. Kathy Seymour is back – please send inquiries to her at email above.
8. Nick Miller shared with the council if there was a need for a broader scope of services beyond what they currently provide to please contact him for further discussion.

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

January 15, 2019 / Ripley DCS Training Room / 2:00 pm.

**Meeting Adjourned at**: 2:00 pm

***Sandy Ante made a motion to adjourn; Michelle Smith seconded; all in favor***