

**Board of Directors Meeting**  
Thursday, August 26, 2010  
Kids Central Boardroom, Ocala, FL

**Present** – Cynthia Schuler, John Aitken, Rev. Jim Bullock, Gail Burry, Philip Courter, Toni James, Mike Jordan, Dyer Michell, Kevin O’Connell, Russell Rasco, Brad Thorpe, Stephen Spivey

**Absent** – Rebecca Schatt, Joanne Billingsley, Bobby James, John Lege, Gene McGee, Steve Yates

- I. Welcome and Call to Order Steve Yates  

S. Yates (vice chair) called the meeting to order at 1:42 p.m.
- II. Review of Board Minutes from June Steve Yates  

Motion to accept the minutes was made by Gail Burry and seconded by Dyer Michell. All in favor and unanimously approved.
- III. Chairman’s Remarks Steve Yates  

S. Yates reported on the CBC CEO Board Chair meeting with Secretary Sheldon. He reported that a new council was established to include CBC CEO’s and Board Chairs that will gather to consolidate ideas and be sure that everyone is on the same page.
- IV. Community Assessment  

Jean Elder presented the results of the Community Assessment survey. S. Yates asked everyone to take the package home and review the assessment and send any items to Barbara Myshrall.
- V. President’s Report Cynthia Schuler
  - a. Prevention Success Stories  

C. Schuler asked everyone to read the prevention stories.
  - b. Prevention Report  

C. Schuler reported that we served over 12,000 children in prevention.
  - c. Performance Measures  

C. Schuler presented the performance measures. She said that we will continue to struggle with 2 placements in 2 months.
  - d. ITN Update  

C. Schuler reported that there were 2 amendments and one that extends the contract 4 months. Motion to sign the amendments made by Steve Spivey and seconded by Dyer Michell, show of hands indicate all in favor and unanimously approved.

Steve Spivey explained the situation with the insurance language and the reason for the delays in moving forward.

J. Pridham indicated we will probably need another negotiation because there will probably be another change within the next four months.

e. Breakthrough Series Collaborative

We received a national award on *Trauma Informed Practice* that was only awarded to 9 agencies in the country. This is going to put us at the cutting edge and forefront of child welfare practices.

f. HPRP Update

C. Schuler reported that we are about to spend all the money which will bring an end to the program. The case managers will begin working on the diversion/prevention effort.

g. Kinship Update

C. Schuler reported on the kinship numbers.

She reminded the board about the Kinship Conference taking place on September 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>.

h. COA

C. Schuler reported that we are up for our re-accreditation. She read the email from the COA representative that remarked on the thoroughness of our plans.

i. FCC Annual Conference

C. Schuler reported that the annual conference will be held on Oct. 18 & 19 in Jacksonville. Anyone who would like to attend should please let Barbara Myshrall know.

V. Operations Report

Cynthia Schuler

a. Family Finders Success Stories

C. Schuler requested the board members read the family finding stories.

b. Data graphs and charts

C. Schuler reviewed the data and charts and reported on trends and highlights.

S. Yates remarked on the impact of having the equipment that will allow case workers to capture photographs and upload them right from their location.

VI. Financial Report

Dyer Michell

S. Yates reported on the previous meeting of the Finance Committee.

J. Aitken reported on the financial statements. S. Spivey reported that this should be the last time we have a 7-figure carry forward.

Motion to approve the financial reports was made by D. Michell and seconded by S.

VII. Committees

Reports and updates were given by the Committee Chairs:

Executive Committee

C. Schuler

Best Practices Committee

P. Courter

Committee meetings are very exciting. There is such a spirit of innovation and he has never seen a group of people so committed to making things better

Board Development Committee

G. Burry

Legislative Committee

G. McGee

Community Development Committee

K. O'Connell

D. Damato talked about golf tournament activities.

Community Assessment

S. Yates

S. Yates updated the board on the progress of the Community Assessment.

Business Development

S. Spivey

VIII. Unfinished Business / New Business

C. Schuler reported that Toni James is out after knee replacement surgery.

IX. Next Meeting – October 28, 2010, 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm, Kids Central All Purpose Room

X. Adjournment