



**Champaign County Children's Advocacy Center
Governing Board
Regular Meeting
Thursday, June 28, 2012
201 W. Kenyon Road, Suite 1
Champaign, Illinois**

Minutes

Members Present: Dr. Kathleen Buetow, Secretary/Treasurer, Carle Clinic
(In Person) Sgt. Marcus Beach, Rantoul Police Department
Sgt. Tom Geis, University of Illinois Police Department
Ms. Tara Gilman, Child Protection Supervisor, Illinois Department of
Children & Family Services
Mr. Joseph Gordon, Director, Champaign County Probation & Court
Services Department
Lt. Ed Ogle, Champaign County Sheriff's Office
Lt. Bryant Seraphin, Urbana Police Department
Dr. Deborah Townsend, Champaign County Mental Health Board

Members Absent: Champaign County State's Attorney's Office
Champaign Police Department
Community Elements
Illinois State Police
Mahomet Police Department
Regional Office of Education

Others Attending: Michael Williams, Executive Director, CAC

NOTE: In the absence of State's Attorney Julia Rietz, Dr. Buetow served as Acting Chair.

Call to Order

Dr. Buetow, Acting Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:12 a.m.



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Public Participation

There was no public participation.

Approval of Minutes

Sgt. Beach made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 24, 2012 Regular Meeting of the Governing Board. The motion was seconded by Sgt. Beach. There was no further discussion and the motion was approved.

Review and Approval of Application for FY2012 Mini-Grant from the Midwest Regional CAC in the Amount of \$4,278

Mr. Williams reported that he had applied for a mini-grant from the Midwest Regional CAC in the amount of \$4,278, which would have paid the costs of sending five members of the Multidisciplinary Team to *Finding Words Illinois* in October. A copy of our completed application was provided to Board members. The applications were released on June 6th and the application deadline was June 18th. Unfortunately, we were not selected to receive one of these limited grants. The MRCAC received more than 50 applications for 20 available grants. No further action by the Board was required.

Budget Report

Mr. Williams provided Board members with a copy of the Budget Report for the month ended May 31, 2012. Mr. Williams stated that there were no unusual expenditures to report for the period. Mr. Williams added that the CAC had a positive cash balance of \$29,753.86 as of May 31, 2012.

Mr. Williams reported that he is in the process of preparing the CAC budget for County FY2013, which begins December 1, 2012. Budget materials are due to County Administrator Deb Busey by July 13, 2012 and Mr. Williams will review the CAC budget with Ms. Busey on July 18, 2012. Mr. Williams stated that he would present the budget to the CAC Governing Board for approval at its next meeting.

Director's Report

Mr. Williams reported that the *Champions for Children 2012 Bike Run* was held on Saturday, June 9th. This was the second year of the event, which was sponsored by Shooters Bar & Grill in Rantoul. Almost 50 bikers along with their friends and families participated in the Bike Run. As the designated beneficiary of this event, the Children's Advocacy Center received \$1,310.

Mr. Williams stated that peer review for forensic interviewers was held at the State's Attorney's Office on June 20th. Eight investigators/detectives representing the Illinois State Police, the Mahomet Police Department, the University of Illinois Police Department, and the Urbana Police Department attended. Three Assistant State's Attorneys were also present to provide input and feedback. Lt. Seraphin stated that he

received positive feedback about the peer review session from Inv. Tim McNaught, who emphasized the value of having Assistant State's Attorneys participate in the process.

Yesterday, a training for Multidisciplinary Team members was held at ILEAS in Urbana. The featured speaker was Chief Dan Langloss of the Dixon Police Department. The title of Chief Langloss' presentation was "*Breaking the Barriers: From Rapport to Confession.*" The Champaign County CAC collaborated with the Children's Advocacy Centers of Illinois, the East Central Illinois CAC (Charleston) and the Macon County CAC to offer this training session, which was free for Multidisciplinary Team members. A total of 97 individuals attended the training, 28 of whom were from Champaign County. Each of the sponsoring CACs contributed \$500 towards the costs of the training. The remaining costs were paid by the Children's Advocacy Centers of Illinois.

Mr. Williams announced that our site visit for re-accreditation by the National Children's Alliance has been scheduled for Thursday, September 26, 2013. Two site reviewers will be here that day and will want to meet with several Board members. They will also observe a Multidisciplinary Team Case Review Meeting. Although Case Review Meetings are typically held on the first Friday of each month, the meeting for September 2013 will be rescheduled to accommodate the site visits. The re-accreditation application is due March 26, 2013 and the application fee is \$3,000.

Each of the Board members was provided with a Summary of CAC Activity for the month of May. During May, 20 children were interviewed at the CAC, which included 15 children who were accepted for case management services, and 5 non-victim siblings/witnesses.

Thus far during the month of June, 15 children have been interviewed at the CAC, which includes 12 children accepted for case management services, 2 children for whom the CAC did not provide follow-up services, and 1 non-victim sibling. An additional two children are scheduled for interviews later this week.

Communications

Mr. Williams stated that he had not received any other communications on behalf of the Board.

Old Business

None.

New Business

None.

Announcements

After discussion, the Board decided to cancel its meeting scheduled for July 26, 2012. The next meeting of the CAC Governing Board will be held at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, August 23, 2012.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael B. Williams
Executive Director