# BOONE COUNTY CHILDREN'S SERVICES BOARD MEETING

# COMMISSION CHAMBERS – BOONE COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER 801 E. WALNUT ST., COLUMBIA, MO.

# Thursday, July10, 2014 at 4:30 p.m.

#### **MINUTES**

**Board Members Present:** Les Wagner, Dewey Riehn, Nancy McKerrow, Bruce Horwitz, Jennifer Walker, Michele Kennett, and Harry Williams.

**Others Present:** Kelly Wallis- Director of Boone County Community Services, Joanne Nelson- Program Manager Community Services, and CJ Dykhouse- Boone County Counselor.

**Board Members Absent:** Kathy Thornburg and Greg Groupe.

**Guests:** Jacqueline Schumacher and Christian Arment, Institute of Public Policy in the Truman School of Public Affairs

#### 1. Open Meeting

Les Wagner, Chair, opened the meeting at 4:30.

#### 2. <u>Director's Report –</u>

Kelly shares with the Board that the RFP's and Pilot Program's proposals were due today and were read by the Commissioners at 1:30p.m. There was not a definite count available at this time however it is approximated that 60 proposals were submitted.

#### 3. Approval of Minutes

June 26, 2014 – Les called for the approval of these minutes. Michele made the motion and Dewey seconded, the motion carried.

#### 4. Family Access Center Presentation

Kelly Wallis, Joanne Nelson, Kathy Lloyd, Wendy Reinke, Seth Bauman, Cindy Garret, and Lou Ann Tanner-Jones all participated in a Denver, Colorado site visit from June 18-21, 2014. The purpose of this visit was to look at several Juvenile

Access Centers in the area: Jefferson County Juvenile Assessment Center, Arapahoe County Juvenile Assessment Center, Adams county Juvenile Assessment Center, and the Youth and Family Connections Center. These counties were selected because they shared similar demographics with Columbia, MO. The trip provided valuable insight towards the vision of a Family Access Center here in Boone County, Missouri.

There is a great opportunity in Boone County from the Children's Services Fund. There can be a difference made in our community; not only do we have the opportunity to connect children and families with the appropriate services, but we also have the opportunity to build the service capacity in Boone County so that people can access services in a timely manner.

#### 5. Discuss Truman School Final Report

The final draft has been received and will be sent to all Board members for review. Any suggestions or questions from the Board will be addressed in the next two weeks. At this time we hope to have the final report set for approval at the next BCCSB Meeting on July 24.

#### 6. Discuss Recommendations of Contingency Fund Application Subcommittee

This subcommittee included: Greg Groupe, Bruce Horwitz, and Jennifer Walker. The subcommittee strongly supports Rainbow House's mission and believes it has met all the organizational requirements to apply for contingency funding. After careful consideration, the subcommittee recommended that services be denied based on the following reasons:

- A) The circumstances leading to the request were not exigent by the committee's interpretation.
- B) The Board had originally thought of contingency funds as being "one time" funding requests that were beyond the control of the organization (example: tornado damage.) The subcommittee saw these as chronic, long term funding issues.
- C) The proposal did not specify how the funding was going to be used.

The recommendation from the committee is NOT to fund the request. The subcommittee goes on to say that they highly encourage Rainbow House to apply for the Purchase of Services RFP (Kelly confirms that two RFP's for Purchases of Service have been received.)

Dewey motions to decline the contingency request from The Rainbow House and Nancy seconds, the motion carries.

(After the motion passes the Board has further discussion regarding contingency funding.)

### 7. <u>Discuss Process for Evaluation of Proposals</u>

Kelly recommends that she and Joanne first review all of the proposals and identify which are statutorily eligible and from there divide the proposals into similar categories. Board members will divide into subcommittees and evaluate the proposals, possibly with assistance from members of outside agencies.

### 8. Public Comment

Jennifer Walker will be leaving the Board in the near future due to relocation; however the exact time of her departure it is still to be determined. Until then, she will continue to serve and participate as an active Board member.

## 9. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned by Les.

**NEXT MEETING: July 24, 2014**