

**BOONE COUNTY CHILDREN'S SERVICES BOARD MEETING**  
**COMMISSION CHAMBERS – BOONE COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER**  
**801 E. WALNUT ST., COLUMBIA, MO.**

*Thursday, February 11, 2016 at 8:00 a.m.*

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**MINUTES**

**Board Members Present:** Nancy McKerrow, Leigh Spence, Dewey Riehn, Harry Williams, Greg Grupe, Michele Kennett, Kathy Thornburg, and Joel Ray.

**Others Present:** Kelly Wallis- Director of Boone County Community Services, and Joanne Nelson- Boone County Community Services Department Program Manager, and Jodie Jackson-Columbia Daily Tribune.

**Board Members Absent:** Les Wagner

**Guests:** NA

**1. Open Meeting**

Greg Grupe, Vice Chair, opened the meeting at 8:00 a.m.

**2. Approval of January 14, 2016 Minutes**

Dewey motioned, Nancy seconded; the motion carried.

**3. Director's Report**

Children's Services Fund financial report is discussed; utilization will be closely monitored over the next several months. The Community Services Department is working on the Annual Report and hopes to have it available at the next Board meeting.

The Board decides to form an Early Childhood Subcommittee which will include: Kathy, Joel, and Harry. The Board discusses early childhood initiatives and an informational session will be scheduled with several early childhood programs explaining what current early childhood initiatives.

**4. CASA Contract Renewal**

The Casa contract renewal is reviewed and Dewey motioned to approve the renewal, Kathy seconded; the motion carried.

**5. Local Tax Match Fund Deposit**

The Board discussed and Kathy motioned to deposit \$100,000 with the Department of Mental Health, Harry seconded; the motion carried.

**6. Discussion Regarding Homeless Youth**

Greg visited Room at the Inn and Turning Point and passed out information and research regarding homeless youth. The Board will continue discussion regarding homeless youth.

**7. Public Comment**

NA

**8. Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned by Greg Grupe.

**NEXT MEETING: March 17, 2016 at 8:00 a.m.**