wayne county family and children first council

MEETING

**December 3, 2018**

# Present:

Esther Hawkins, Council Director

Nicholas Cascarelli, Wayne Co. Health Dept.

Judy Wood, Mental Health and Recovery Board of Wayne-Holmes Cos.

Loretta Raff, Aultman Orrville Hospital

Helen Meyers, Orrville United Way

Deanna Nichols-Stika, Wayne County Children’s Services

Cindy Hampton, Family Representative

Sandy Stebly, Tri County Educational Service Center

Richard Owens, Wayne Co. Dept. of Job and Family Services

Jaime Parsons, Viola Startzman Clinic

Sue Smail, Wayne County Commissioner

Jennifer Crum, Wooster City Schools

Joe Pajak-Stanger, Family Representative

Christine Nolletti, Family Representative

Anne Sturbaum, Family Representative

Dave Ashley, Wayne Co. Board of Developmental Disabilities

**Guests**  Susan Roberts, Wayne Co. Public Library

 Barb Meador, Community Action Wayne-Medina

Mark Woods, Anazao Community Partners

Beth Falb, Anazao Community Partners

 Sheryl Villegas, Catholic Charities

 Kristina Hoskins, OneEighty, Inc.

 Tami Spotts, Service Coordination/Tri County ESC

 Melinda Hill, OSU Extension

 Beverly Thiel, Child Advocate

 Sara Reith, O’Huddle

 Sara Meeks, OSU Extension

 Joanna Edwards, Mental Health & Recovery Board of Wayne-Holmes Cos.

 Karen Berry, The Counseling Center of Wayne-Holmes Cos.

 Major Madeline Dwier, Salvation Army

 Deb Bates, SST-9

 Beth Donaldson, Wayne Co. Public Library

 Emily Hartzler, Wayne Co. Schools Career Center-Aspire

 Judy Delaney, Goodwill Industries

 James McKenzie, Multi County Juvenile Attention System

# Call to Order

The meeting was held at the Wayne County Public Library located at 220 W. Liberty St., Wooster, Ohio. Nicolas Cascarelli, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:38 a.m.

Introductions were made.

Raff reported their weight loss program will begin after the first of the year. This year they will incorporate children, but they will not participate in the weight loss program. The children will focus on reducing screen time and increasing exercise.

Meyers reported she will be retiring sometime in 2019.

Stika reported that next Saturday, December 8th, Shop With A Hero will be taking place at Walmart. 84 children will be paired with a first responder who will help them shop for their parents.

Villegas reported they have received a grant from Ohio Family and Children First to provide parenting education for kinship, adoptive and single mom homes.

Reith reported O’Huddle will be holding their first fundraiser on February 22, 2019.

# Shared Mission/Vision

Major Madeline Dwier provided a presentation on the Salvation Army its history, how the bell ringing campaign began and what the funds are used for in Wayne County.

# Council Business

**Exceptions to Consent Agenda** – There were none.

**Minutes** – Owens made the following motion, seconded by Parsons**:**

**That the Consent Agenda and the Minutes of the October 1, 2018 meeting, be approved as presented.** Motion approved unanimously.

**Financial Reports** – Wood reviewed the financial statements as of October 31, 2018.Parsons then made motion, seconded by Berry that the following resolution be considered by the full Council:

**That the Financial Statements as of October 31, 2018, be approved as presented.** Motion approved unanimously.

**FY2019 Elections**

Cascarelli recognized the following family representatives Amber Opliger, Carrie Buchanan, and Kathy Thut for their years of service on the Council. They will each receive a Certificate of Appreciation.

Parsons presented Cascarelli with a Certificate of Appreciation from the Council for his service as Chair of the Wayne Co Family Council for 2018.

A vote was taken and Smail was unanimously elected as the Vice Chair of the Council for 2019 and will serve as Chair in 2020. (See October 1, 2018 Minutes)

Hawkins announced that Anazao Community Partners, Catholic Charities, The Counseling Center and Viola Startzman Clinic will be the voting non-profits in 2019.

The following persons were elected as the Family Representative for 2019: Ann Sturbaum, Christine Nolletti, Cindy Hampton and Joe Pajak-Stanger

**Children’s Trust Fund –** Hawkins reported that last week she and a representative of the Ohio Children’s Trust Fund visited several day care centers in the area who are participating in the Star program through JFS.

Villegas reported Catholic Charities is ready to move forward with the parent education grant program she reported on earlier in the meeting as soon as the contract is received from OFCF. They will serve Wayne, Holmes and Ashland Counties.

**Diversion Team** – Spotts reported her count is back up with the start of school, she is now up to 53, and is serving in every school district in the County. She continues to work collaboratively with SOSCOP, as well as the other service coordination programs in the county including Transitional Youth through the Counseling Center and the dual diagnosed population (mental health and developmental disabilities) through the Strong Families grant.

Hawkins reported that the Ohio Council State Service Coordination Committee will replace the Juvenile Court Judge as the final arbitrator in the family dispute resolution process if approved by Council. The change was required by the State. Discussion followed.

**Smail then made the motion seconded by Wood that the Dispute Resolution Process be amended to reflect the change from the Juvenile Court Judge acting as the final arbitrator in any family disputes to the Ohio Council State Service Committee.** Motion passed unanimously.

Hawkins reported that the out of home count is back up to 131. She did note that treatment foster care placements are increasing and residential is slowly decreasing.

**Home Transition Coordination** – Wood introduced Beth Falb who will oversee the new Home Transition Coordinator. She has met with key stakeholders, and is working with Stika and John Dillon on getting Home Choice up and running. They already have one case they are working on. This position will serve as a second service coordinator as well as being in charge of drawing down Home Choice funds for those youth who qualify.

**Maternal and Child Health** – Cascarelli will maintain the Cribs for Kids program. He thanked Bev Theil for her work in approaching several programs/churches in Wooster. She was able to raise over $2,000 dollars for this program.

# Council Initiatives

**Family Engagement** – Hawkins reported on the November 1st Community Conversation: Under Construction: Tools for Parenting Adolescents. Dr. Russell gave a presentation on the teen brain and then a café style roundtable was held. Anazao partnered with the committee on this presentation.

**Prenatal-to-Five –** Hawkins reported there are currently 150 children being served in Wayne County in the Early Intervention program, and 35-40 in the Home Visiting program.

Meador reported that Community Action continues to recruit children for their Early Head Start and Head Start programs. Call the agency if you have any referrals.

Wood reported ECMH continues and is going very well.

# School and Community

Ashley reported that Ida Sue School received a substantial donation and will be building an adaptive playground that will also have equipment geared toward autistic children and children with sensory issues. Once completed this playground will be open to the public. The playground will be done completely on donations.

Stebly reported the Tri County pre-schools are going very well. They are filling up quickly. Holmes is full, and Wayne County still has a few openings.

# Community Behavioral Health

Woods reported:

* The Opiate Task Force meeting will take place on December 14, 2018 at 1:30 here at the library.
* Have several grants due for opiate funds over the next 8 weeks.
* OHMHAS is encouraging Boards to work with their local Health departments on the Community Plan.
* There is one vacancy in the young adult transitional apartment unit operated by The Counseling Center. If anyone has any referrals they should contact Diane DeRue.
* Village Network’s crisis stabilization unit opened last Monday.
* The transitional age Recovery House for youth is in process right now.
* The next meetings of the Trauma & Resiliency Network will take place December 5th and February 6th here at the library at 10:15 a.m.

Reith reported O’Huddle is in the process of putting all the resources they have collected over the last year into a website. They are also developing a resource calculator in conjunction with United Way.

# Old Business

None

# New Business

None

# Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held at the Wayne County Public Library on Monday, February 4, 2019 at 9:35 a.m.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 10:44 a.m.

Submitted by,

Nicholas Cascarelli, Chair

**Wayne County Family and Children First**

**Consent Agenda**

August 6, 2018

**The Executive Committee** met on 7/31/18. The following actions were taken and stand approved

1. Owens made the motion, seconded by Parsons that the minutes of the July 31, 2018 meetings of the committee be approved as submitted. Motion carried.
2. Smail made the motion, seconded by Parsons that the financials as of June 30, 2018 be approved as recommended by Resource and Grants Management. Motion carried.
3. Owens made the motion, seconded by Wood that the SFY18-19 Shared Plan be approved as presented and sent forward to Council for their approval. Motion passed unanimously.

**The following committees met in April and May. Minutes pending approval by committees:**

**Resource and Grants Management w/ Executive –** Met on7/31/2018

**Planning** – Met on 6/8/18 and 7/16/2018

**Communications** – Did not meet during this period

**Public Policy** – Did not meet during this period

**Family Advisory** – Did not meet during this period

**Prenatal to Five** -Met on 7/11/2018

**The following resolutions are before the Council for action on August 6, 2018:**

**1. Approval of July 31, 2018 Consent Agenda**

**2. Approval of June 4, 2018 full Council minutes**

**3. Approval of June Financials.**

**4. Approval of the SFY 18-19 Shared Plan.**