wayne county family and children first council

MEETING

**June 3, 2019**

# Present:

Esther Hawkins, Council Director

Jaime Parsons, Viola Startzman Clinic

Nicholas Cascarelli, Wayne Co. Health Dept.

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

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

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

Sheryl Villegas, Catholic Charities

Deanna Stika-Nichols, Wayne County Children’s Services Board

Jennifer Crum, Wooster City Schools

Sandy Stebly, Tri County Educational Service Center

Christine Nolletti, Family Representative

**Guests**  Hayley Tracy-Burskey, Wayne Co. Public Library

Beth Falb, Anazao Community Partners

Kristina Hoskins, OneEighty, Inc.

Melinda Hill, OSU Extension

Sara Reith, O’Huddle

Sara Meeks, OSU Extension

Emily Hartzler, Wayne Co. Schools Career Center-Aspire

Chuck Balder, The Village Network

Susan Roberts, Wayne Co. Public Library

Misty Hanson, Wayne County Juvenile Court

Jessica Stevens, Mental Health and Recovery Board of Wayne-Holmes Cos.

Dave Kiefer, Community Representative

Barb Meador, Community Action Wayne-Medina

Katie Koglman, United Way of Wayne and Holmes Counties

Loretta Raff, Aultman Orrville Hospital

Katie Stull, OSU Extension

Carla Bidlack, ICARE (SCESC) DLS

Deb Bates SST-9

Bev Thiel, Community Representative

# Call to Order

The meeting was held at the Wayne County Public Library located at 220 W. Liberty St., Wooster, Ohio. Jaime Parsons, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:39 a.m.

Introductions were made.

# Shared Mission/Vision

Katie Koglman from United Way of Wayne and Holmes Counties provided the program on WHIRE (Wayne-Holmes Information and Referral Exchange).

# Council Business

**Exceptions to Consent Agenda** – **Owens made the motion, seconded by Cascarelli that the consent agenda be approved as submitted.** Motion approved unanimously.

**Financial Reports** – Wood reviewed the financial statements as of April 30, 2019.Owens then made the following motion, seconded by Cascarelli:

**That the Financial Statements as of April 30, 2019, be approved as presented.** Motion approved unanimously.

# Reduce Number of Kids and Time in Out of Home Placement

**Children’s Trust Fund –** Stika reported at their last meeting the providers who were awarded grants for prevention services in our communities provided presentations on the programs. The group is also working on developing a common voice across Ohio on child abuse prevention.

Villegas reported on the new program they implemented in February working with Kinship Families. They will be providing a Café Model and Triple PPP programs in Ashland, Wayne and Holmes. In Wayne County they have served 5 caregivers with the Café Model. They continue to get both programs up and running.

**Diversion Team** – Hawkins reported that kinship numbers are up, which is a good thing. Unfortunately overall out of home placements are back up to 154. Treatment Foster Care numbers remain steady, but residential placements are up from 28 in January to 33 in May.

**FCSS** – Hawkins reported Spotts could not attend today so she doesn’t have the exact numbers, but she is providing services to about the same number of families and children. She has added Apple Creek to the list of schools she is working in.

**Home Transition Coordination**—Falb reported that they have two clients they are working with that are keeping them very busy, but they have remained in their home setting.

**Strong Families WRAP** – Villegas reported they are currently serving 27 children and their families with three more getting ready to be opened in June, and currently there is no waiting list. Wood noted that the regional collaborative for this grant is in the process of reapplying for another two years of funding.

**Community Connections** – Berry reported they have one vacancy in the apartments. These apartments serve transitional age adults with a severe mental health diagnosis. The goal is to help them transition into community living.

**Beyond the Numbers** – Stika continues reported the group continues to meet but there nothing new to report at this time.

**MST (Multi-Systemic/Home Based Treatment)** – Hanson reported the program served a record number of youth in 2018. In FY19 the program was transitioned to a new provider and this has gone well. Mental Health Board staff are currently working on the new application for another two years of funding. The program serves both Court youth and CSB youth.

Balder reported that the Therapeutic Treatment Stabilization unit is working well. Some things still need to be worked out, but overall the program is going well. Wood reported the MH&R Board received $100,000 from the regional collaborative to provide services for the Heartland Region for services at the unit.

# Increase Youth Assets

**Early Intervention (EI) –** Hawkins reported that EI staff is in the process of implementing the new paperwork and rule changes, but overall the program should not have major changes once all of these are implemented.

**Home Visiting**— Nothing new to report.

**Head Start** – Meador report that their part year pre-school program has wound down for the summer.

**Pre-school** – Stebly reported that the pre-schools are going very well. In Wayne County due to the increased number of children they have added one classroom. Some of the classrooms are full but some classrooms do have room for typically developing children.

**Family Engagement** – Nolletti reported that the committee is providing a graduation party for three kiddos at children services tomorrow. Hawkins reported that the group is also working on developing another community education program to offer in the fall. They are looking at providing a program on alternatives of sitting on the computer, and the affects to the children who play on a computer extensively versus out moving and playing.

**Trauma & Resiliency Network** – Wood reported that all the committees are active. The group was able to provide a training the end of April following the CSB luncheon and were able to distribute books to all the schools and agencies on trauma and resiliency.

**Early Childhood Mental Health (ECMH)** – Berry reported their ECMH specialist has provided consultation to 32 teachers. They work in 13 classrooms and have served 32 infants and toddlers, and 119 pre-school age children.

Villegas reported their ECMH specialist is working in 6 centers and18 classrooms. The have served over 300 children.

**Afterschool Programs** – Reith reported the O’Huddle program has served 351 students, of which 321 of these have one on one mentors. They are looking at expanding their program to the Orrville and Smithville areas this summer. They are also providing trainings for anyone who is interested in becoming a Mentor.

Hill reported that the SnapEd program is working with the Orrville Boys and Girls Club to teach children how to grow and harvest vegetables.

**Trained Youth Mentors** – Villegas reported they have eight community based mentors and are always looking for adults to spend time with youth referred from Juvenile Court.

**Wayne County Library** – With the end of school they are in full swing for summer reading. This is provided through the main library and all branches, as well as an online version. On Wednesdays from 12-1 at the main library they will have a bag lunch for kids who need free lunch.

**Religious Organizations** – Nothing to report.

Owens reported that JFS has had a decline in Type B homes (can provide childcare to 8 or less children) but they are starting to see that rise again.

# Keeping Families Substance Free

**Family Dependency Treatment Court** – Stika reported this is doing well. They have expanded the program and are currently at capacity. This is an intensive interaction with the court for families who have substance addiction. Participants in the program are in court every week to meet with the Judge. In addition they are working with CSB and other service agencies. The goal of this program is to reduce time when children are out of home. They are already starting to see some good outcomes and stabilization for families.

**Opiate Task Force** – Wood reported the task force will meet on June 14th and will be hearing from the Drug Court and Family Dependency Court at that meeting. The task force is beginning to focus on all drugs, not just opioids. In Wayne County we now have 24 hour treatment referral available through OneEighty.

**Project Dawn** – Cascarelli reported the next training is June 25th from 11:30 to 1:00. He also reported we currently have a Hepatitis A outbreak in the State. In response to this the State has provided vaccines and the Health Department is offering free vaccines to those who are at risk (i.e., substance abuse users).

**SPF/PFS (Strategic Prevention Frame Work/Partnership for Success)** – Hoskins reported this is going well, several staff members are attending the Opiate Conference this month. She also noted the new Women’s treatment center is coming along nicely.

Hawkins reported the Youth Asset Survey is paid through this grant.

Hawkins also reported that as part of the youth asset survey that was conducted the three top assets identified were parental monitoring, future aspirations leading toward education, and positive role models. The group will be looking at how in the future we can support these assets.

Villegas stated she was impressed that Wayne County is the only county in the country that is able to survey all the schools in the county.

# Increase Foundational Family Assets

**Food** – Hawkins reported that Potter has updated the list of food banks and along with a map this information is posted on the Family Council website.

Hill reported that the SnapEd Program is offering cooking classes that begins this Thursday. They currently have 11 enrolled, but they can take up to 15.

Hawkins reported this committee will begin working with the Wayne County Food and Nutrition Foundation.

**Shelter** – Noting new to report.

**Health** – Parsons reported that the Viola Startzman Clinic is offering mobile outreach.

**Education** – Crum reported she will be leaving her position at Wooster City Schools and moving to a new position out of county.

Koglman reported United Way is working with the College of Wooster on three research projects. These included affordable housing, re-entry clients and their resumes, and Employers whose employees are moving up in pay at work but still on assistance.

Hartzler reported the new Adult Ed catalog will be coming out soon, a lot of classes will be starting in September and October, Aspire classes will run throughout summer.

**Transportation** – A new loop has been added by Wooster Transit that targets more employers and the behavioral health agencies.

**Old Business** – none

**New Business** – A short community health assessment has been distributed by Hawkins.

# Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held at the Wayne County Public Library on Monday, August 5, 2019 at 9:35 a.m.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 10:49 a.m.

Submitted by,

Jaime Parsons, Chair

**Wayne County Family and Children First**

**Consent Agenda**

June 3, 2019

**The Executive Committee** met on 5/28/19. The following actions were taken and stand approved

1. Cascarelli made the motion, seconded by Smail that the minutes of the March 26, 2019 meetings of the committee be approved as submitted. Motion carried.
2. Cascarelli made the motion, seconded by Smail that the financials as of April 30, 2019 be approved as recommended by Resource and Grants Management. Motion carried.
3. Parsons made a motion, seconded by Cascarelli that, should the FCSS grant not be received from the State in FY20 that funds be moved from the Wayne County Family and Children First Council’s un-restricted reserves to cover the contract with Tri County Educational Service Center for the Service Coordinator position. The amount of funds to be moved will not exceed $37,060.
4. Cascarelli made the motion, seconded by Smail that the Executive Director of the Wayne County Family and Children First Council, be given a 3% salary increase effective July 1, 2019.

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

**Resource and Grants Management w/ Executive –** Met on5/28

**Planning** – Met on 4/30 and will meet on 5/29

**Communications** – Met on 4/22

**Public Policy** – Met on 4/22

**Family Advisory** – Met on 5/30

**Prenatal to Five** –Met on5/8

**The following resolutions are before the Council for action on June 2, 2019:**

**1. Approval of June 2, 2019 Consent Agenda**

**2. Approval of April 1, 2019 full Council minutes**

**3. Approval of April 2019 Financials**