

**GREENE COUNTY FAMILY & CHILDREN FIRST
FULL COUNCIL**

**MINUTES
FEBRUARY 2, 2009**

PRESENT:

NAME	ORGANIZATION
BILL VOSKUHL	PROGRAM DIRECTOR - GC JUVENILE COURT
SUE GIGA	DIRECTOR, GC FCF
DAVE NUSCHER	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR-INTEGRATED YOUTH SERVICES
MASIJA-JAMES PORTERFIELD	OHIO DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH SERVICES
KATHY GORBY*	CORS-XENIA AREA COORDINATOR & SITE SUPERVISOR
JASON ROUSH	CORP COMPLIANCE OFFICER - TCN
BETH RUBIN*	DIRECTOR - GCDJFS
RENEE LAMMERS	INTERSYSTEM COORDINATOR-FCF-FAMILY STABILITY
PAM HAMER	FCF-HMG-REP ECCC
MARK MCDONNELL*	HEALTH COMMISSIONER- GCCHD
GINGER SMITH	FCF-PARENT SUPPORT COORDINATOR
LINDA BUTLER	PRESIDENT -BUTLER CONSULTING
KENT YOUNGMAN*	CEO - GC MHRB
GRETA JONES	PARENT REP
TOM GELHAUSEN	GC MRDD
RHONDA REAGH*	EXE. DIRECTOR – GC CSB
LINDA WAREHIME	FCF – ADMIN SUPPORT TECH
MELANIE HART	OSU EXTENSION
TERRY THOMAS	SUPERINTENDENT-GCESC
MEG GILLIS	DIRECTOR - GC UNITED WAY
PAMELA HARRIS	PARENT REPRESENTATIVE
JOHN MARTIN	COURT ADMINISTRATOR - GC DR COURT
BARB STAMPER	DIRECTOR - GC VISITATION CENTER
K.B. VON DERAU	KINSHIP NAVIGATOR - GC COUNCIL ON AGING
FRAN MILLER	XENIA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
EMILY DEMETER	GC GREENE CATS
BARB STAMPER	GC VISITATION CENTER
ROSELIN RUNNELS	GCMHRB
MOIRA LAUGHLIN	GREENE COUNTY PARENT MENTOR

*** Mandated Members**

The meeting was called to order by Kent Youngman @ 9:05 a.m. and he thanked everyone for coming. Introductions were made. Minutes from the November 2008 Full Council meeting were reviewed. As there were no additions or corrections, a motion was made by Meg Gillis to accept the minutes as presented, Kathy Gorby seconded and was passed without exception.

FEBRUARY 2009 PROGRAM REPORT

Everyone had reviewed the Program Report previously sent in the mailout prior to the meeting. Ms. Giga advised OCTF going well but that CORS reports continued difficulty getting referrals from CSB because of OCTF's restrictions regarding eligibility. CORS staff has met with HMG staff and will begin taking referrals from HMG. The Parenting Taskforce continues to meet monthly and is planning the Spring Bergamo Conference for 5/14/09. Everything is going well at Bellbrook/Sugarcreek and the move last year into another building has been beneficial. Dr. St. Pierre, the superintendent of Sugarcreek School District, has been a tremendous help. The staff at Jamestown Family Resource Center is dealing with some medical issues. Shared Youth Placements are down and FAST expenditures continue as anticipated. Help Me Grow reports that a new Service Coordinator started last Monday, so they are at full staff again. Referrals for NBHV were slightly down for a few months, but are picking up again. Regarding HB289, Ms. Giga advised that she has met with each provider working on Middle School Substance Abuse Indicator to refine process and outcome tracking and to get an update on programming. As there were no additions or corrections, a motion was made by Rhonda Reagh to accept the Program Report as presented, seconded by Mark McDonnell and the motion was passed without exception.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Steering Committee - Under Committee Reports, Ms. Giga reported that the Steering Committee has met on a regular monthly schedule, with the last meeting held on January 5 @ FCF. The focus was on the proposed Federally Qualified Health Center (a presentation will be made today by Mr. McDonnell).

Audit/Finance Committee - Ms. Rubin advised that the Audit/Finance Committee had met earlier today to review the GCFCFC CY2009 Preliminary Budget (contingent on additional final information), the October-December 2008 Admin Allocation & Expenses, and the January-December CY2008 Fiscal Report. The committee will recommend approval by the Steering Committee.

A BETTER CHILDHOOD-ECCC (MS. ROSE HOERSTING):

Ms. Hamer advised that the ECCC met in January but attendance was low (due to the bad weather). There was a presentation from OSU Extension on Nutrition and Cooking on a Budget. The next meeting will be the 2nd Tuesday of March and there will be a presentation on Obesity.

PARENT INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE (MS JONES):

Ms. Jones reported that the committee last met in November and have expressed support for the Bergamo Conference which will be held on May 14th and the theme

will be “Pathway to Self Sufficiency: The Impact of Parenting Exceptional Children.”

PRESENTATION: CURRENT EFFORTS TO ESTABLISH A FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTER IN GREENE COUNTY (MR. MCDONNELL, GCCHD):

Mr. McDonnell gave a powerpoint presentation of the proposed Federally Qualified Health Center in Greene County. Mr. McDonnell has visited several of these facilities in other cities which have been very successful. There was a general discussion and several questions were answered. Hopefully the facility will open in August of 2009 (best case scenario), no later than March 2010.

OTHER ITEMS AT DISCRETION OF CHAIR AND DIRECTOR:

Melanie Hart of the OSU Extension reminded everyone of the programs being offered on Money Management.

Linda Butler distributed a flyer on Grant Training being offered on February 20. You must register and the cost is \$99.00.

Kathy Gorby advised that there are still openings at the Kids Learning Center.

Ginger Smith reminded everyone that she teaches Parent Support classes and they are open to the public. She recently had a class in Fairborn with 22 participants. Most of her referrals are from CSB.

K. B. VonDerau of Council on Aging advised everyone of a five-week course being presented by OSU Extension and GC Council on Aging called “It’s My Money, My Stuff, and My Life! Estate Planning for the Future.”

Emily Demeter of Greene CATS advised that they will be increasing fares.

Fran Miller from Xenia Schools advised that the snow is creating problems for the schools with make-up days and the lunch program. Hopefully we will have no more “big” snows. The Board will decide on placing another Levy on the ballot in May, for renovations on school buildings (which are in dire need of repair).

The Suicide Prevention Coalition is sponsoring billboards using money received from a Grant. Kent Youngman advised everyone that if you would like for someone from the MHRB to speak about mental health issues, contact Roselin Runnels.

Dave Nuscher of I.Y.S. advised that the snow had created some problems for them. Hopefully we’ll have no more big snows. I.Y.S. is sponsoring a 5K Run on May 30th @ 9:00 a.m. with proceeds going to Youth Mental Health. Everyone is invited to attend.

Tom Gelhausen from MRDD advised that John LaRock is doing great after his surgery and rehab, and hopes to be back to work by the end of February.

Meg Gillis from United Way advised that they are very busy, trying to recoup losses from lay-offs and plant closings. There will be a training on Thursday, February 5, on the 40 Assets if anyone is interested.

Terry Thomas of the ESC advised that Donna Shoup is Director of the Professional Development Program. Please visit the ESC website as it contains some new information. Mr. Thomas also advised that Joe Parrish is the new Superintendent of Greeneview Schools.

Rhonda Reagh thanked everyone for their participation in the Spelling Bee. It was a lot of fun and attendance was good. Family & Children First won the spelling bee. Rhonda also thanked everyone who participated in the Public Perception of the "Alternative Response Pilot Program." Greene County was the top county. Rhonda also advised that there will be a "Child Abuse" Community Breakfast on April 24 and that the month of May is Foster Parent Month.

Beth Rubin of DJFS advised that all cash paper forms will be converted to Card by fall and there will be no more cash paper forms. Ms. Rubin also advised that Medicaid eligibility for Child & Family has increased, but Medicaid eligibility for childcare has decreased. TANF is a big problem and she doesn't know the county cut for next year. Ms. Rubin also advised that the BVR (One-Stop) workforce has pulled out of the Xenia office, but are still functioning out of Springfield. Ms. Rubin advised that her workforce has been decreased and requests for assistance are increasing.

Mark McDonnell advised the GCCHD is working on its Strategic Plan. Please participate. By March a draft will be available for review. The GCCHD has received a Grant from Ohio for an Obesity Program. Funds for a 10-county Tobacco Grant have been awarded and enabled calling back staff. There will be 25% cuts from ODH if things don't change.

Ms Giga advised that she has a new grandson born on January 24th. Ms. Giga distributed two e-mails, one regarding Earned Income Tax Credit Outreach Program and the Angel Food Ministries. If anyone wants a copy of either of these e-mails, let Linda know.

Terry Thomas advised that Dennis Embry from the PAX Institute was in town last week to conduct a training on the "Good Behavior Game." Unfortunately, the weather was very bad and only 14 of the 60 people signed up to attend, attended. It was a good group. Fairborn is using the "Good Behavior Game." It is a low cost program and teaches tools to improve mental health in classrooms. There is a new component on Middle School (not released yet). The training was taped. Mrs.

Strickland was scheduled to be there but could not attend due to the weather; however, she still does want to attend the training in the future.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

**Linda L. Warehime
Administrative Support Technician
Family & Children First**

Date