

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

**MINUTES
MAY 5, 2008**

PRESENT:

NAME	ORGANIZATION
DENNY MORRISON*	SUPERINTENDENT/BEAVERCREEK CITY SCHOOLS
BILL VOSKUHL	GREENE COUNTY JUVENILE COURT
SUE GIGA	GCFCF DIRECTOR
DAVE NUSCHER	INTEGRATED YOUTH SERVICES
FRED BAXTER*	ODYS
KATHY GORBY*	CORS
JASON ROUSH	TCN
BETH RUBIN*	GCDJFS
RENEE LAMMERS	GCFCF-FAMILY STABILITY
SUSAN STILES	GC METRO HOUSING AUTHORITY
PAM HAMER*	FCF-HMG-REP ECCC
KATHY HOOKS	DIRECTOR OF OUTREACH & PREVENTION, DAYBREAK
MARK MCDONNELL*	GREENE COUNTY COMBINED HEALTH DISTRICT
GINGER SMITH	FCF-PARENT SUPPORT
BARB STAMPER	FCF-VISITATION CENTER
SUSAN LOPEZ	FCF-BELLBROOK SUGARCREEK FRC
LINDA BUTLER	BUTLER CONSULTING
MARCIA DOWDS	GIRL SCOUTS OF WESTERN OHIO, BUCKEYE TRAILS
JOHN MARTIN	GC DR COURT
BRENDA SANDMAN-STOVER	GC OSU EXT – VICE-CHAIR FOR ECCC
DONNA SIZEMORE	GC FVPC
KENT YOUNGMAN*	GC MHRB
GRETA JONES	PARENT REP
JOHN LA ROCK*	MRDD
PENNY MADRY JOHNSON	AMERICAN RED CROSS EMERGENCY HOUSING
JARROD B. MARTIN*	REPRESENTATIVE – CITY OF BEAVERCREEK
RHONDA REAGH*	EXE. DIRECTOR – GC CSB
KAREN WOLFORD	GIRL SCOUTS OF WESTERN OHIO, BUCKEYE TRAILS
SHERNAZ REPORTER	GC COMBINED HEALTH DISTRICT
LINDA WAREHIME	FCF – ADMIN SUPPORT TECH

* Mandated Members

The meeting was called to order by Mark McDonnell @ 9:05 a.m. and he thanked everyone for coming. Everyone introduced themselves. Minutes from the February 2008 Full Council meeting were reviewed. Susan Stiles made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. John Martin seconded and the motion passed without exception.

MAY 2008 PROGRAM REPORT

Everyone had reviewed the Program Report previously sent in the mailout prior to the meeting. As there were no additions or corrections, a motion was made by Rhonda Reagh to accept the Program Report as presented, seconded by Jarrod Martin and the motion was passed without exception.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Steering Committee - Under Committee Reports, Mr. McDonnell advised that the Steering Committee has been meeting monthly and focusing on the HB289 strategy to better understand school districts' efforts to address Middle School Substance Abuse. Staff from various school districts have been attending the Steering Committee meetings. Lisa Cron from Greeneview School District will be attending the meeting in June. Ms. Giga has also been updating the committee on the SFY09 OCTF planning process.

Audit/Finance Committee - Dr. Youngman advised that the Audit/Finance Committee had met earlier in the day to review Admin Allocations, and Admin Recon for January-March 2008. Everything is on track, no particular surprises. The allocation method is changing. Ms. Giga also distributed SFY08 Spend Out Reports though March 2008. Ms. Giga also distributed Help Me Grow SFY09 Budgets. All reports were reviewed and will be recommended to the Steering Committee for approval.

A BETTER CHILDHOOD-ECCC (MS KATHY GORBY):

Kathy Gorby reported on the "Daddy and Me" carnival which took place on Saturday, May 3. The rain put a damper on the event, however, it was successful. There were a total of 157 participants (82 children and the rest were adults). 49 dads showed up (34 dads came by themselves without the moms). Kathy thanked everyone for their donations. A special thanks and poster went to John LaRock, MRDD, for the donated books and book bags. The ECCC will meet next week to elect new officers. School readiness materials are available.

PARENT INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE (MS JONES):

Ms. Jones reported that the committee had last met on March 31. The Bergamo Conference was discussed and a motion was made to make \$250 available for speaker gifts. The next meeting is scheduled for May 19th.

OCTF APPLICATION & PLAN FOR SFY09

Ms. Giga distributed the HB 289 Application for the Ohio Children's Trust Fund for SFY 2009. The amount is \$44,605, the same as SFY08. Ms. Giga explained strategy selection which is to expand the "Parents as Teachers" programming. There was some discussion regarding indicators and reasons for choosing this strategy. It will take 2-3 weeks to get the local RFP's sent out. We are looking for just ONE agency to implement OCTF-funded services (which is a change from former years). A motion to approve was made by Fred Baxter, seconded by Bill Voskuhl and was passed without exception.

SFY09 GOVERNANCE ACTIONS (MS. GIGA):

Ms. Giga distributed ballots for the election, by the general membership, of a not-for-profit (501-C-3) to serve as a mandated member of the Council and the option of serving on the Steering Committee for SFY09 & SFY10. Four organizations showed interest. Ms. Giga asked that everyone select one organization and return to her so she can tally the vote.

Ms. Giga distributed a second ballot for the election, by the general membership, of an organizational member (public or private) to serve on the Steering Committee for SFY09 & SFY 10. Four organizations showed interest. Ms. Giga asked that everyone select one organization and return to her so she can tally the vote. There was a tie. Ballots were distributed to break the tie.

Ms. Giga distributed Election of Vice-President of Steering Committee for term CY2009 & 2010 (will serve as President CY2011 and 2012). The nominee is Beth Rubin, Director, Greene County Department of Job and Family Services. Everyone was asked to vote Yes or No on the ballot and return to Ms. Giga.

FOLLOW-UP REPORT FROM MRS. STRICKLAND'S VISIT (JOYCE CALLAND, OFCFC REGIONAL COORDINATOR):

Joyce Calland gave a follow-up report on issues, challenges and barriers brought to Mrs. Strickland's attention during her visit to Greene County in October 2007. Mrs. Strickland plans on visiting all 88 counties and so far has visited 57 counties. Ms. Calland advised everyone of work being done on issues that were brought to Mrs. Strickland's attention on flexible funding, Medicare, OCTF fund, lack of transportation in counties, loss of personal tangible property tax, eligibility issues, and Help Me Grow.

GREENE COUNTY CSB'S ALTERNATIVE RESPONSE PROGRAM (DR. REAGH):

Rhonda Reagh explained the Alternative Response Program that GCCSB will be starting in July 2008. The program's goals and purpose were discussed, as were differences to "traditional services" and benefits to families.

OTHER ITEMS AT DISCRETION OF CHAIR/DIRECTOR:

Shernaz Reporter from the Combined Health District advised she is working on a Pilot Program with theme "Parents as Teachers" regarding sex education – to provide parents with information to focus education on sexually transmitted diseases in younger people (ages 13-24). Parents need to discuss issues with their kids and kids need support. Renee Lammers advised that she and Shernaz have been in contact regarding a need to form a Task Force regarding teens & parent involvement, as Greene County has seen a big increase in sexually transmitted diseases.

Ms. Giga reminded everyone of the special evening Full Council meeting on June 23. There will be light refreshments. The PFS group has been invited to share their experiences. The HB289 Report will need to be approved and will have to be submitted later in the week. The meeting will start at 6:00 p.m. at the Media Room, Ledbetter Road.

Barb Stamper of the Greene County Visitation Center advised everyone that May is Supervised Visit Awareness Month and there are orange ribbons out to remind everyone. Greene County is very lucky to have this facility.

Penny Johnson of the American Red Cross advised that construction on the 7-unit housing has begun.

Kathy Gorby advised that their organization now has a new name (Council on Rural Services) and distributed a flyer regarding their services. She reminded everyone that it's time for their recruitment program.

Susan Stiles of Greene Metropolitan Housing Authority advised that they have closed Section 8 waiting list (still open for homeless) because of volume, but that the public housing waiting list is still open.

Linda Butler advised everyone the meeting of Miami Valley Trained Associates which will take place on 5/6, and distributed flyers for Writing Tight: Secrets to Preparing Successful Online Grant Proposals which will take place on September 19. Diane Gedeon-Martin is the presenter. A full day. The EARLY BIRD cost is \$89.00 for AAGP members and \$109 for non-AAGP members prior to September

5th deadline. After September 5th, \$109 for AAGP MEMBERS and \$129 for non-AAGP members that includes all materials, lunch, parking and 6 CPE's.

Donna Sizemore of the FVPC of GC advised that Friday, June 6, is Family Fun Day & Open House at FVPC. There will be tours, food, games for kids. Booths will be available and the Crime Dog will be there. Everyone is invited to attend (flyers were distributed).

Renee Lammers reminded everyone of the Bergamo Conference on May 6. 21 providers are signed up for the Resource Fair during lunchtime. Renee thanked everyone for the gift baskets provided.

Rhonda Reagh advised that May is "National Foster Parent" month and there is a paid advertisement regarding this on Channel 2.

Ms. Giga distributed a reminder that all non-mandated organizational members must renew their membership each fiscal year. Please indicate the person who will represent your organization. It must be in writing and returned to FCF.

Mark McDonnell announced that from the ballots counted, United Way was elected as a not-for-profit (501-C-3) to serve on the Council SFY09 & SFY10, that Integrated Youth Services was elected as organizational member (public or private) to serve on the Steering Committee SFY09 & SFY10, and that Beth Rubin was unanimously voted in as Vice-President for CY 2009 & 2010, and will serve as President CY2011 and 2012.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Date