

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

**MINUTES
MAY 7, 2007**

PRESENT:

NAME	ORGANIZATION
PAM HAMER	STAFF-GCFCFC (HMG)
K.B. VONDERAU	GREENE COUNTY COUNCIL ON AGING
MARK MCDONNELL*	GREENE COUNTY COMBINED HEALTH DISTRICT
DENNY MORRISON*	SUPERINTENDENT/BEAVERCREEK CITY SCHOOLS
KENT YOUNGMAN*	MENTAL HEALTH & RECOVERY BOARD
BILL VOSKUHLM*	GREENE COUNTY JUVENILE COURT
PHIL MASTEN*	GREENE COUNTY DEPT OF JOB & FAMILY SERVICES
KAREN SCHMITT	BEAVERCREEK CITY SCHOOLS
JOHN LAROCK*	GCMRDD
MICHELLE DILTS	GIRL SCOUTS OF BUCKEYE TRAILS
SUE GIGA	GCFCF DIRECTOR
MEG GILLIS*	UNITED WAY
JARROD B. MARTIN*	CITY OF BEAVERCREEK
BRENDA BLOOM	GREENE COUNTY CHILDREN SERVICES BOARD
TERRY THOMAS*	GREENE COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES CENTER
MARSHA DOWDS	GIRLS SCOUTS OF BUCKEYE TRAILS
DR. DAVID GOLDBERG	GREENE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
DAVE NUSCHER	INTEGRATED YOUTH SERVICES
SUSAN LOPEZ	FCF-BELLBROOK/SUGARCREEK FRC
DEANNA TODD	GCFCF-PARENT SUPPORT PROGRAM
FRED BAXTER*	ODYS
JANIS JAMES	ADVOCATES FOR BASIC LEGAL EQUALITY
KATHY HOOKS	DAYBREAK
RICH SCHULTZE	GREENE CATS
KATHY GORBY*	CORSP
LINDA BUTLER	BUTLER CONSULTING
PAMELA D. HARRIS	PARENT REPRESENTATIVE
GRETA JONES	PARENT REPRESENTATIVE
JOHN MARTIN	GC DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT
JASON ROUSCH	TCN
JOYCE CALLAND	OFCF
LORENA KUALHEIN	LAYH & ASSOC.
DONNA ZARTMAN	FOUR OAKS/EARLY INTERVENTION
LINDA WAREHIME	GCFCF

* Mandated Members

The meeting was called to order by Phil Masten @ 9:00 a.m. and he thanked everyone for coming. Everyone introduced themselves. Minutes from the February 5, 2007, Full Council meeting were reviewed. Linda Butler made a motion to accept

the minutes as presented. Jarrod Martin seconded and the motion passed without exception.

In reference to the SFY2008 OCTF County Allocation Plan, Sue Giga reported it had been submitted prior to the state due date, however, full Council approval is needed. Components of the plan were reviewed. Six organizations picked up the local Request for Proposals but only three completed proposals were returned. These proposals were from the three organizations currently receiving OCTF funding, Greene County OSU Extension, Council on Rural Services Programs, and Family Violence Prevention Center. Proposals were reviewed by two staff members of Council organizations and one Council Family Representative. The review team recommended SFY2008 funding at the same level as SFY2007 funding. After some discussion, a motion to approve was made by Phil Masten. Bill Voskuhl seconded. The motion passed without exception.

Sue Giga gave a brief overview of the May 2007 Program Report. Everything is going well. After some discussion of specific programs, Linda Butler made a motion to accept the report as presented. Karen Schmitt seconded and the motion passed without exception.

Under Committee Reports, Mr. McDonnell advised that the Steering Committee would meet briefly after Full Council. Mr. Masten reported that the Audit/Finance Committee had met earlier in the day to review Expense Allocation Summary and Admin Allocation for 1st Quarter, Jan-March 2007. Nothing out of the ordinary. Projected spending is on track. Also reviewed SFY07 Grant Spend Out Report. There was a cash donation of \$1000 made to the Bellbrook Sugarcreek Family Resource Center from the City of Bellbrook. Dues have come in ahead of projection. A motion to recommend approval of all reports will be made to the Steering Committee.

ABC-CCG – Donna Zartman advised that on May 8, the CCG will be electing a new Chair and Vice-Chair. Ms. Zartman advised that at their March 12 meeting, Sue Giga had spoken to their committee regarding school readiness. The “Daddy & Me” carnival held on May 5th was a huge success and was attended by 105 adults and 111 children. The CCG was particularly pleased that there two Muslim families and two families with hearing impaired children who attended.

Parent Involvement Committee – Greta Jones advised that the Parent Involvement Committee met in February & April. A portion of base plan dollars were used for scholarship money to send ten families to attend a conference in Springfield in February on Attachment Disorders featuring Nancy Thomas, although because of the inclimate weather in February, not everyone was able to attend both days. Out of the \$1000 earmarked for mental health training materials, \$540 has been spent and Renee Lammers is dispensing the materials to various libraries. Hand to Hand began at IYS. The next Parent Involvement Committee meeting is scheduled for June 11.

Governance (SFY 2008)

Ms. Giga distributed ballot for election of an organization member to the Full Council for a two year term. Ms. Giga asked that everyone make a selection on the ballot and return to her by the end of the meeting.

Ms. Giga also distributed a reminder to everyone that all non-mandated members of the Council must indicate their renewed interest in participating in the Council annually by submitting a written statement indicating who will represent their organization on the Council.

HB289/PfS Update: Ms. Giga gave a brief background on HB289 and talked about the County Plan. Ms. Giga advised that the Community Leadership Team (CLT) has been meeting on a monthly basis to put the County Plan together. The focus is on key challenges to child well-being in Greene County. There were three phases: 1) Identify local cross-community priorities; 2) Look at each area and come up with indicators and look at current resources, and 3) develop strategies. School Readiness and Substance Abuse in Middle Schools were identified as the two target areas. Ms. Giga distributed results of a survey conducted on School Readiness Risk. There was some discussion on the data collected. Ms. Giga advised that there will be a “Strategies” meeting at FCF on May 15th from 1:30 – 3:00 p.m. and asked that if there are any organizations that can contribute to this effort, please attend. Ms. Giga distributed copies of the HB289 School Readiness Program Information survey, and asked that everyone with pertinent information, please take some time to fill out the survey as more data is needed at this time.

Ms. Giga also distributed results of a survey conducted on Substance Abuse in Middle Schools-Risk. There was some discussion on the data collected. Ms. Giga advised that there will be a “Strategies” meeting at FCF on May 15th from 9:00 – 10:30 a.m. and asked that anyone who can contribute to this effort, please attend.

Ms. Giga distributed the “Middle School Substance Abuse-Current Programs” survey, and asked that everyone with pertinent information, please take time to fill out the survey as more data is needed at this time.

There will be a special full Council meeting to present the County Plan on June 25th at 6:00 p.m. at the Ledbetter Road Media Center.

Ms. Giga distributed copies of “Ohio Family and Children First-Connecting with Turnaround Ohio Initiatives” and the “Ohio Family & Children Executive Summary 2006-2007” .

Ms. Giga distributed an invitation to the first FCF Regional Legislative Breakfast which is to take place on June 1, 2007, in Champaign County which is sponsored by 12 local counties. She urged everyone to attend and asked that anyone who plans to attend, please RSVP as soon as possible.

Other Items at Discretion of Chair/Director

Dave Nuscher wanted to reiterate the message IYS has been campaigning regarding “Parents Who Host-Lose the Most.” At their kick-off breakfast back in March, IYS’ goal was to “save the life of one child”. Unfortunately, there was a fatal accident in Bellbrook this past week, where a teen was killed in a car accident as a direct result of underage drinking at a party hosted by a parent in their home (a newspaper article was distributed regarding the incident). Mr. Nuscher asked everyone to get the message out about how dangerous this underage drinking can be. For more information, or if you need flyers, please contact dnuscher@IYSGreene.org.

Rich Schultze of Greene CATS asked for ideas as to how to improve public transportation.

Joyce Calland, Coordinator, FCFC SW District, advised that Francis Strickland, the Governor’s wife, has agreed to Chair the FCF Cabinet Council, and plans to visit all counties.

John Martin of Domestic Relations Court advised that DR Court has been extremely busy.

Lorena Kualheim, a Clinical Psychologist from Layh & Associates, distributed a flyer announcing a three-session workshop “Active Parenting Now in 3”. For registration information, please call numbers on flyer or go to www.ActiveParenting.com.

Linda Butler, of Butler Consulting Group, passed out flyer regarding a “Grant Writing” class on May 12, and ask that anyone interested, please register by May 10th.

A pamphlet was distributed from Planned Parenthood of Southwest Ohio Region regarding a workshop “Responsible Sexuality Education Core Competency Certification Program” being held June 12, 13, 14, 2007 at the Courtyard by Marriott in Springfield, Ohio. A registration form is attached. Anyone interested, please send in registration as soon as possible.

Meg Gillis reported that United Way is offering free training at the library on 40 Developmental Asset to help children with school readiness. Call 376-5555 for more information.

Also, June 1 is “Community Care Day”, if anyone has free time to help plant flowers, paint, etc. please let Meg know.

Deanna Todd distributed information and registration form for “School Success: Pathways to Self-Sufficiency” conference at the Bergamo Conference Center scheduled for May 18. Deanna urged everyone to attend and to bring in as many parents as possible. She advised if anyone wants any of their organization’s information pamphlets to be in the “hand-out” packets, please bring to FCF office asap. She is hoping for the conference to be a huge success and plans on at least 140 people attending. The keynote speaker is John Kinsel, Director, Young Children’s Assessment and Treatment Services, Samaritan Behavioral Health, Inc. The day will end with a group of system involved kids talking about their experiences.

Ms. Todd also distributed her schedule for Parenting Classes for 2007, which are all on Thursday evenings alternating between Xenia and Fairborn. Strengthening Families is serving a lot of kids in their program (ages 5-14) and Deanna still has classes for parents with children under 5 and over 14.

Susan Lopez of the Bellbrook Family Resource Center advised that PfS will be collecting coats over the summer. Ms. Lopez also reiterated that there is a possibility that the Family Resource Center may move to a Sugarcreek Elementary School where space is available. She feels this additional space would be very beneficial and there would be much more space for activities for the children than is currently available in the space she now occupies.

Michelle Dilts, of the Girl Scouts of Buckeye Trails Council, gave an overview of what is currently happening in their organization.

Kathy Gorby distributed flyers and advised that CORSP is recruiting applicants for Head Start.

Pam Hamer thanked MRDD for the books they supplied for the “Daddy and Me” carnival. Ms. Hamer advised that three agencies have picked up RFP’s for Help Me Grow Funding for SFY 2008, and the proposals are due back by May 18.

There being no additional business, meeting was adjourned @ 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda L. Warehime
Administrative Support Technician
Family & Children First

Date

