MSFCAB June 2024

Attendees: Meilssa Selsor, Terru Wunderlich, Nakisha Black, Crissy Mayberry, Lauren Masteron, Julie Murray, Abigail Hanks, Kathy Haddock, Renae Beushausen, Sherry Moller, Janice Byrd, Dana Lopez, Kenya Willis, Kelly Kuda, Rhiannon Franklin, Pamela Foster, Heather Vodnansky,

10:00 am Welcome and Introductions Dana Lopez

10:10 am Approval of Minutes from December Dana Lopez

10:15 am Director’ Update Director Missey

Director Missey discussed his vision for CD and the work that is occurring around the state to address pay and staffing. Many town hall conversations were held, and he continues to speak to teams around the state to develop a clear understanding of their needs. He discussed the hiring freeze, went over state stats for foster care. He plans to continue conversations around STL to address the number of cases that need to be expedited and is helping to move the needle to address the needs for guardianship.

10:45 am Reasonable and Prudent Parenting Melissa

Melissa showed the board the poster that the communications team assisted with that is to be hung in offices around the state. They will also be looking to revamp the Reasonable and Prudent parenting training for Foster Parents and staff.

11:00 am MO C.A.R.E. Rollout Melissa

Melissa gave an update that MO C.A.R.E. is officially rolled out. Staff and contractors are teaching it across the state. The Statewide Curriculum Review Team (SCRT) continues to meet to help with fidelity and to approve any changes to the curriculum.

11:20 am Reboot Update Policy/Memo Melissa

Melissa gave an update on the changes that are coming to the licensing process. The 4 changes are moving to 2 home visits (from 4) for the home study. Assigning Licensing workers early in the process, encouraging that applicants become respite providers to gain some experience,

12:00 pm Lunch

12:20 pm Board Fund Update/Data Lauren

Discussed board fund/grant.  Crissy working on language edits – once finalized we can send to Arlene to look over and then distribute.

1:00 pm Child Care Lauren

Lauren provided update on childcare – DESE transitioned to lead last December. There is a decrease in applications currently, which is a good sign.  They have received some complaints regarding providers not getting paid (those concerns should be directed to JC).  Lauren will send out a talking point sheet for fosters to give CD workers re childcare. Also discussed that the 15 day wait for authorization is too long.

1:15 pm Board Membership/Review Board Documents Lauren/Crissy

Surveys are now going out electronically.

1:45 pm Open Forum

Discussed inviting Melissa Lett to next meeting to discuss CTS challenges (SWMO) parent aides not being used despite significant need.

**2024 Meeting Dates**

Tuesday, March 5th Truman Building Room 750

Friday, June 7th Truman Building Room 750

Tuesday, September 3rd Truman Building Room 493

Tuesday, December 3rd Truman Building Room 750

**2025 Meeting Dates**

Tuesday, March 4th Truman Building Room 500

Tuesday, June 3rd Truman Building Room 500

Tuesday, September 2nd Truman Building Room 500

Tuesday, December 2nd Truman Building Room 500