

DHS Child Welfare Advisory Committee

July 8, 2009

9:00 – 4:00

Oregon Alliance of Children's Programs

Conference Room B

707 13th Street SE

Salem, Oregon

Agenda

8:30 – 9:00 This time is set aside to network with other members and DHS staff.

9:00 INFORMATION
ACTION

A. Welcome, introductions, announcements

Approval of CWAC Meeting Minutes

- March 11, 2009

INFORMATION

Presentation of Minutes

- 2/11/09 and 4/8/09 Future Issues Work Group
- 1/14 09 Teen Issues in Child Welfare Subcommittee

9:15 INFORMATION

B. Setting the Stage ... Benjamin Hazelton

- Honoring our progress to date:
 - 11.8.06 Principles for CW System Change
 - 4.22.07 Recommendations to Goldberg
 - 2.8.08 POPs Prioritization
 - CWAC's four goals
 1. Preventing foster care placement;
 2. Assuring that children placed in foster care are safe and are thriving;
 3. Providing permanency for children placed in foster care in a timely manner; and
 4. Identifying strategies to reduce over-representation of children of color in the child welfare system.
- Going forward ... an opportunity for partnership in action

9:45 INFORMATION

C. CWAC Advisory Role re: CAF Plan

Step 1 – What's the Plan? (Erinn and Lois)

- CAF Child Welfare Strategic Plan and 12 Month Work Plan – Facilitated discussion
- Environment under the Legislatively Approved Budget

10:15 BREAK

10:30 DISCUSSION/INPUT **C. CWAC Advisory Role re: CAF Plan Step 2 – How can we help?**

(Committee in small groups)

- Allied activities: Where are you or your constituency involved in supporting the 12-month plan?
- Potential partners: What connections would be helpful for CAF to make in fulfilling this plan?
- Things for CAF to consider: Is there anything this plan leaves out or has forgotten? Are there areas that CAF should provide special or priority focus?

12:00 WORKING LUNCH

Catered in

Small groups report out during lunch

1:00 ACTION

D. Creating a 12-18 month CWAC work plan

In light of the 4 focus points, the CAF long term plan, and other initiatives, what is our plan?

1. Calendaring of Major Input Opportunities

- Large group activity -
- On the white board create a calendar of key points in time, including budget and legislative agenda development dates, PIP, Casey, etc. – where CWAC input will be expected.

1:45

BREAK

2:00 – PLANNING
3:30

2. Rotation / Small Group Sessions...

1. CWAC relationship with Disproportionality Task Force
2. Engaging others outside the I-5 corridor, including representation from the local child welfare advisory committees – how to invite people into the conversation?
3. Moving from passive to active and becoming a voice for public dialogue regarding child welfare.
4. _____ (other topic may be suggested by group members)

4:00 ADJOURN