

**Milwaukee Child Welfare Partnership Council
Executive Committee Meeting
Friday, January 16, 2009
BMCW Administrative Site
Minutes**

Members Present: Pastor Archie Ivy, Judge Mary Triggiano, Colleen Ellingson, David Hoffmann, Linda Davis, Jennie Dorsey, Senator Alberta Darling and Mary Sowinski for John Chisholm.

Also Present: Nancy Wettersten, Cyrus Behroozi, Mary Pat Skelly Bohn, Nikki Hatch, Janel Hines, Frank Gaunt, Cathy Swessel, John Bradtke, George Torres, Hugo Cardona, Kenneth Munson, Mark Lyday, Pam Matthews, Lance Jones, Jermaine Reid, Larry Reed, Crocker Stephenson, Meg Kissinger, Saleem El Amin, Gail Zellner and Dr. Michelle Urban.

Pastor Ivy opened the meeting with greetings and introduction of meeting attendees.

Minutes from the October 17, 2008 Executive Committee meeting approved as read.

BMCW Program Evaluation Update

Bureau Program Evaluation Managers (PEMS) will be moving out of the Bureau to the Office of Performance and Quality Assurance (OPQA). The office is Madison based, but the PEMS will be located in Milwaukee.

Child Death and Egregious Incident Report

Mary Pat Skelly Bohn reported that there were no new child deaths and/or egregious incidents to report.

BMCW Updates

Cyrus Behroozi stated that the department will conduct a national search for a new BMCW Director. Mary Pat informed the group that the medical liaison was hired and will start soon. Linda Davis asked Dr. Urban to give the Health Committee information on the position and the new hire. Interviews for the Initial Assessment and Access Section Chief will begin next month.

Announcements

The Health Committee will meet February 2 at Region 2. Please contact Program Evaluation Manager Jim Kania if you plan to attend.

CEO Updates

Frank Gaunt reported that LaCausa is moving ahead with the transition. There have been no staff resignations to date. Hugo Cardona introduced George Torres as LaCausa's new President/CEO.

Child Fatality Review Report - Closed Session

A motion was made, seconded and approved for the Executive Committee of the Milwaukee Child Welfare Partnership Council to convene in closed session, pursuant to Wis. Stat. sec. 19.85(1)(g), in that it may be considering the medical, social,

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and personal histories of specific persons involved in child protection investigations.

CART Summary

Mark Lyday presented preliminary information involving the medical, social and personal histories of persons involved in a child protection investigation. The CART review is not complete. CART will convene another meeting to continue its review and make recommendations. The review should be complete within 60 days. CART will then present its recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Zellner