March 15, 2016 WCCRP Minutes

Attendance

Members Present: Deb, Nancy, Mel, LaJuan, Mary, Nissa, Sarah

Members Absent: Julia, Dawn, Bonnie

Approval of February Minutes

Motion moved by Nancy, Second by LaJuan

Old Business

Washington County Child Protection department has an old bookshelf, but they are receiving a new one. Discussion started about the book drive. It was decided that the books that will be collected would be for children ten (10) years and up.

An article was sent to the panel members, and since everyone did not read the article it will be discussed at next month's meeting.

Mary mentioned that some other review panels around the state, have staff appreciation day for the workers and staff.

Discussion ensued about having meetings with the office works and staff, LaJuan suggested having rotating meetings. Nancy suggested brown bag lunches with the staff, and have question and answer periods with the panel members from the staff.

New Business

Nancy will write an article to go into the Bulletin to discuss Child Abuse Prevention Month.

Update from Washington County (Sarah, Nissa)

Nissa, stated that she has a list of six (6) workers that are willing to let us (panel members) shadow them.

Nissa was interviewed by the Woodbury Bulletin regarding the Citizen Review Panel (CRP). Following the release of the article, received 16 calls/emails from people who are interested to join the CRP. She has also received five (5) applications.

March is Social Worker Appreciation Month and Mike will draft a letter to go into the newsletter. Discussion ensued about a display; Sarah stated that she and LaJuan will work on contacting the libraries to find out where they can have the table top traveling display.

Sarah gave an update about some of the bags that were received. Sarah also mentioned about a team building event that she and her team went to – everyone there created bears, and the bears were then donated to Washington County Child Protection. Sarah and her Director accepted the donation on behalf of the County. The leader of the team building event was a foster child.

Update from DHS (Mary)

Mary gave an updated about the National CRP conference in Phoenix in June. She also stated that some members of the other CRPs are going out and interviewing county and staff workers, while another group is going out discussing secondary stress with the same groups.

It was stated the Title IVE Review is taking place at the State right now.

Next Meeting

April 19, 2016

Meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Minutes submitted by LaJuan McIntyre