

**Washington County Citizen Review Panel for Child Protection
Meeting Minutes November 14, 2017**

“Citizens partnering with Child Protective Services to keep children safe.”

Members Present:

Jan Hayne, Teri Bottum, Deb Eckberg , John Kiedrowski, Mike Laughton, LaJuan McIntyre, Key-C Green, Dawn Hyland, County Representatives Sarah Amundson and Nissa Knutson

Absent: Jennifer Dailey, Ralph Pennie, State Representative Mary Doyle

Jan chaired the meeting, starting at 5:06 p.m.

October Minutes Approved with changes.

Old Business

- **Foster Care Re-Entry File Review:** John Nalezny was guest presenter and gave an update of the Foster Care Re-Entry project.
- **Foster Care Task Force:** This project has now been completed.
- **Permanency Guidelines:** This project was completed as of Friday, November 10, 2017.
- **Mentorship resource list/framework:** This project has now been completed.
- **December meeting:** We will meet on December 12, at 6:00 p.m. at Mallards in Bayport. Note: Everyone needs to ensure they contact Jennifer with their attendance.

New Business

- **Trainings/Webinars:** Nissa attended several sessions of the MN Child Welfare Conference on November 1-3, 2017. Nissa also attended a breakout session and learned about how fathers are not treated the same as mothers, and the County’s need to reach out to them.
 - Sam Simmons one of the speakers at the conference spoke about Historical Trauma in the African American Community.
 - Dave Ellis was also a speaker at the conference and it was suggested to invite both or either Mr.’s Simmons or Ellis to attend one of our meetings or Sarah might use them to do a county training that CRP could attend.
- **Upcoming Trainings/Webinars:** ICWA Training is scheduled for November 30, 2017.

- **Membership:** LaJuan stated that she would be talking to a neighbor who is a teacher about joining the CRP.
- **Future planning**
 - December – annual report compiled from template
 - January – ICWA (maybe)
 - March – Social Worker Appreciation Month (attend meetings and bring treats?)
 - April – Child Abuse Prevention Month (declaration, community outreach?)

Washington County Update (Sarah and Nissa)

- No Updates

Update from DHS (Mary)

- No Update

Meeting Adjourned about 6:20 p.m.

*****Remember Next Meeting will be the Holiday Gathering on December 12, 2017 at 6PM*****

Minutes by LaJuan