

Washington County Citizens Review Panel

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

January 19, 2016

- **Attendance:**
 - Members present: Julia Welter, Nissa Knutson, Mary Doyle, Sarah Amundson, Mel Laughton, Nancy Zupfer, Deb Eckberg (Chairperson)
 - Members absent: Dawn Hyland, Bonnie Treacy
- **Approval of December, 2015 minutes**
 - December, 2015 minutes were approved.
- **Update from Washington County (Sarah, Nissa)**
 - No update
- **Update from DHS (Mary)**
 - No update
- **Old Business**
 - Duffle Bag project update: Dawn has update about donation by dentist will give to Deb or when she returns.
 - Mitten project update: Lajuan is talking to friend about mittens, she needs a letter so she can deduct on taxes and needs to know how many are needed
 - Brochure update: Reviewed brochure all agreed it is beautiful. We will include a special thank you to (NAME) in annual report.
 - Annual Report: Almost ready, need to fill in names for Duffle Bag Project. Julia volunteered to present at County Board meeting.
- **New Business**
 - CRP Training Presentation: Nissa went through the training material she has been working on to train new CRP member. The panel agreed the presentation was great. A brief discussion regarding the how long a member should serve as Chairperson. Mary Doyle offered that 2 years as Chairperson is standard. The discussion seemed to agree that Deb E. should remain Chairperson for another year. This issue should be revisited at the Feb, 2016 meeting and a vote on the official length of Chairperson Term should be addressed.
 - CRP Training cont.: Within the presentation we also discussed Reconsiderations, the role panel members plan in this process, and confidentiality.
 - 2016 Planning:
 - Recruitment: Pub Drops, contacting local municipalities
 - April is Child Abuse Prevention Month: Library Project or Blue Ribbon Pin Project
 - Possible donation/sponsorship of a small Children’s Library at the Washington County Court.
- Meeting adjourned at 6:30 PM