

Dinwiddie County
Community Policy and Management Team
Minutes
Wednesday, November 17, 2021
Dinwiddie Government Center
14010 Boydton Plank Road, Dinwiddie, VA

Roll Call:

Natachia Randles, Dinwiddie DSS, Director, Chair

Diana Barnes, District 19 CSB, Specialist Children's Services Manager - Absent

Pam Joyner, DCPS, Director of Special Education

Sheila Green, Salisbury-Rivermont School/Principal, Private Provider - Absent

Eileen Drake, Parent Representative

Anne Howerton, Deputy County Administrator, Finance & General Services

Tracy King, 11th District CSU, Director, Vice-Chair - Absent

Sheryl Jackson-Wade, 11th District CSU-Supervisor- Absent

Terry Arthur, Crater Health District, Nurse

Erica Stewart, Salisbury-Rivermont School/Guidance Counselor

Alicia Lee, DCPS, Special Education- Absent

Ami Williams, District 19 CSB, Outpatient Therapy Supervisor - Absent

Amanda Skalsky, CSA Management Specialist

Angel Young-Gill, Children's Services/CSA, Director

The meeting was called to order at 9:03 AM by the Chair, Natachia Randles.

The October minutes were approved. A motion was made by Eileen and seconded by Anne. All were in favor.

New Business:

The FY 2022 Pool Reimbursement and Transaction History Report #3 filed on November 5, 2021 was distributed. It showed the total year to date expenditure amount of \$362,561.44 (\$242,596.50 - State & \$119,964.94 - Local). Angel updated members on OCS Administrative Memo #21-16: Implementation of HB2212- Improving Local CSA Performance released on October 29, 2021 at 1:25 PM.

CPMT was updated on the SLAT report that occurred on November 4, 2021. All of the State workgroups are public meetings and listed on the Commonwealth Calendar. Em Parente with VDSS stated that DMAS would begin funding MST, FFT & PCIT on December 1, 2021. As a part of Family First, they realize many services are not approved to work with children between the ages of 6 to 12. DSS is encouraging Evidence Based Providers to send their information to VDSS to add to their provider list. The number of IV-E eligible youth has decreased due to the reportedly outdated poverty level calculations for qualified children projected to be in the QRTPs. Virginia's core departments (DSS, DJJ, DBHDS, DOH, and OCS & DMAS) are collaborating with VCU to develop the Center for Evidence Based Partnerships to allow for oversight and fidelity through this process. Scott reported that for FY2021, 700 less children received CSA services. The decline was related to less youth in SPED Private Day Schools and less services used by agencies. The cost related to youth is increasing. There was only a reduction of \$17,000 in CSA funding for FY21. The JLARC workgroup on SPED Private Day funding will be meeting on November 30, 2021. The General Assembly will receive the final report in 2023. New SPED Private Day rates will be coming out soon and will be on July 1, 2022. OCS is reportedly requesting an increase in the allocation of CSA Administrative funds to help local CSA programs. They anticipate the minimum allocation for localities received \$50,000. The General Assembly would have to approve it. The MDT/FAPT and Family Engagement Policies are out for public comment by November 12. The OCS workgroups on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion as well as Trauma Informed Care are in progress. Dr. Vanessa Walker-Harris is the Interim Secretary of Health and Human Resources since Dr. Carey departed. The Health Department stated that they have staff shortages across the State. Reportedly, this has been due to threats from the public over COVID-19 issues. Vaccines are commencing for children ages 5 to 12. Virginia is housing 12,000 Afghan refugees. They are in need of vaccinations, help with their trauma and challenges with linguistics. Juvenile Justice is rolling out their new ACES Tool that is named 'Screening for Experiences and Strengths (SEAS). JLARC will be completing their report that will be released soon. DJJ is looking to expand their Family Engagement Program. DBHDS is looking to have 'Mental Health' declared a federal national Emergency. ARPA funding will be used for School Based MH services through the CSB and Private Providers. A survey was completed on adolescent SA and developing recovery services/Peer Training & Mobile Crisis Training. The CSA Data Analysis workgroup is exploring ways to utilize data & statistics to inform practice and improve outcomes. The survey should close by the end of this month. OCS shared the new 'One Home Initiative Resource List that was sent on November 16, 2021. It provides a great source of information.

Natachia stated DSS has a new initiative that will be coming out. The State is having a change in leadership. They are looking to create some bills and funding for local & state

offices. Social Services has not been using the Chafee funding. Some waivers are being repealed that are related to SNAP and DMAS. Anne indicated that she is wrapping up the FY2021 audit process. We will begin budgets soon. The County is implementing a new financial system that will evolve over a three year span to be completed. It will affect all of the departments on services such as human resources, finance, building inspections, community development, permits and more. Our current BAI system has been in place since 1988. Pam stated that they are in budget season now. The schools are seeing an increase in behaviors that has caused the need for additional mental health support. They are doing social and emotional groups with youth to meet the needs of the children and families. The Kindergartners & first graders are showing significant behaviors (i.e. - 5 y/o children are acting like 3 y/o). There appears to be a delay in development. The school staff and teachers are working through this. Older youth need TDT (Therapeutic day treatment) services and mental health support. This is coming out as signs of social and emotional issues for kids. They have used levels such as: counselors- tier one, school social workers- tier 2 & others for additional support systems. Dinwiddie had a good turn out last night for children age 5 to 12 for vaccinations at DHS. The Health Dept. & School estimated that approximately 120 children were vaccinated. Erica reported that Rivermont is moving along. They are seeing the same behaviors and concerns with their students as DCPS is. They are working on mental health needs & CREST has reportedly been a wonderful asset. They have provided crisis intervention, telehealth as needed and supportive mental health services. Eileen indicated that she participated in some of the County's Comprehensive Plan sessions at the Recreation session. She stated that some of the focus groups looked at strengths, weaknesses and goals. There were discussions on more trails, parks, outdoor activities, transportation, places for families to go, things based on age groups, developing skills with families and diversity. Terry indicated that they have a clinic twice a month for COVID vaccinations. There were 52 people vaccinated on Monday in the morning and another clinic will be on November 29. The clinic last night was successful. They administered flu shots too. The Health Department is waiting on more guidance on the booster shots. They appreciate the county's & schools' help though this vaccination process.

The next CPMT meeting is on December 15, 2021 at 9 AM and will be held in person in the Dinwiddie Training Room.

CLOSED SESSION

At 9:46 AM, upon the motion of Anne Howerton and seconded by Pam Joyner and all were in favor,

The Community Policy and Management Team (CPMT) convened into a closed meeting under:

§2.2-3711 (A)(4). The protection of the privacy of individuals in personal matters not related to public business.

- Discussion of Children's Services Cases

§2.2-3711 (A) (16). Discussion or consideration of medical and mental health records subject to the exclusion in subdivision 1 of Section 2.2-3705.5.

- Discussion of Children's Services Cases

AYES: Natachia Randles, Eileen Drake, Anne Howerton, Pam Joyner, Terry Arthur, Erica Stewart

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Alicia Lee, Sheryl Jackson-Wade, Ami Williams, Sheila Green, Diana Barnes, Tracy King

At 10:12 AM, upon motion of Eileen Drake, seconded by Anne Howerton, the CPMT reconvened into open session. All were in favor.

AYES: Natachia Randles, Eileen Drake, Anne Howerton, Pam Joyner, Terry Arthur, Erica Stewart

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Alicia Lee, Sheryl Jackson-Wade, Ami Williams, Sheila Green, Diana Barnes, Tracy King

CERTIFICATION AND MOTION TO ADOPT CERTIFICATION RESOLUTION

Whereas, the Community Policy and Management Team convened in a closed meeting under section

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And whereas, no member has made a statement that there was a departure from the lawful purpose of such closed meeting or of the matters identified in the motion discussed.

Now may it be certified, that only those matters as were identified in the motion were heard, discussed or considered in the meeting.

Upon motion of Anne Howerton, seconded by Terry Arthur, the Certification Resolution was adopted.

AYES: Natachia Randles, Eileen Drake, Anne Howerton, Pam Joyner, Terry Arthur, Erica Stewart

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Alicia Lee, Sheryl Jackson-Wade, Ami Williams, Sheila Green, Diana Barnes, Tracy King

Upon motion of Terry Arthur, seconded by Erica Stewart, the November budget was approved as presented.

AYES: Natachia Randles, Eileen Drake, Anne Howerton, Pam Joyner, Terry Arthur, Erica Stewart

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Alicia Lee, Sheryl Jackson-Wade, Ami Williams, Sheila Green, Diana Barnes, Tracy King

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:14AM.