



**Abilene/Taylor County Child Advocacy Center
Advisory Board Minutes
01-14-11**

The Abilene/Taylor County Child Advocacy Center Advisory Board conducted its quarterly meeting on January 14, 2011 at 7:15 A.M. The meeting was held in the main conference room of the Abilene/Taylor County Law Enforcement Center, 450 Pecan St., Abilene, TX 79602.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Stan Standridge – Chief, Abilene Police Department
James Eidson – Taylor County District Attorney
Nikki Favors – Concerned Citizen
Craig Shaw – CBS Insurance
Downing Bolls – Taylor County Commissioners Court
Leigh Ann Fry – Noah Project
Anthony Williams – Abilene Christian University
Les Bruce – Taylor County Sheriff
Dee Moore – Blue Cross/Blue Shield
Debra McCracken – Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner
Dr. Jay Capra, M.D. – Pediatrician
Bobby Easterling – Jim Ned, Middle School Principal
Diane Dotson – Crime Victims Crisis Center

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Randy Holden – Tye Police Department
Laura Lee Hines – Elementary School Teacher
Sue Pecoraro – Dyess O.S.I.
Karen Munoz – Elementary School Principal
Karon Bingaman – Pediatric Nurse
Bob Jones – Merkel Police Department
Gretchen Denny – Child Protective Services

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT:

Melinda Beard – Director, ATCCAC

OTHERS PRESENT:

N/A

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 A.M. by ATCCAC Advisory Board Chair Dee Moore.

Old Business:

Dyess Family Advocacy Center Memorandum of Understanding

Discussion was opened in regards to a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) being put in place with the Dyess Family Advocacy Center. Chief Stan Standridge advised that the Dyess Family Advocacy Center has not completed the MOU at this time, and further advised when the MOU was completed that it would have to be approved through the City of Abilene Legal Department, as the ATCCAC Advisory Board would not be authorized to approve this document.

Nominating Committee Report

The ATCCAC Advisory Board Nominating Committee provided names of two individuals to consider as future board members. These individuals are Dr. Justin Smith, M.D., a local pediatric physician, and Becky Poindexter, an Abilene concerned citizen. Neither of these individuals were nominated at this time; merely were suggested as potential board members.

Update on MDT Appreciation Plates

Chief Standridge reported that he has acquired the assistance of Clack Middle School students to paint decorative plates to be presented to MDT members as tokens of appreciation. He advised that each ATCCAC Board Member will need to contribute \$12 in order to purchase necessary materials to make the plates. Chief Standridge then motioned that CAC funds from the prior sale of t-shirts be used to front the purchase of the materials, then this fund be reimbursed from Board Members' contributions. Sheriff Les Bruce seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Partner Agency Presentation

Lori Bunton provided a presentation to board members overviewing the Regional Crime Victims Crisis Center (RCVCC) and their services. Lori is the Prevention Coordinator for RCVCC.

New Business

There was no new business introduced at this time.

Director's Report

ATCCAC Director Melinda Beard reported that the annual "Be a Champion For Children Conference" will be held at the Abilene Civic Center on 03/25/11. Melinda asked board members to let her know if they were interested in attending, as the ATCCAC has funding to sponsor those board members who want to attend this training.

Swearing In: Oath and Statement

Chair Dee Moore, Board Member Debra McCracken and Board Member Downing Bolls all were sworn in by being administered the Oath of Office and the Officer's Statement. The Oath of Office and Officer's Statement were administered by Sgt. Jeff LaFrance of the Abilene Police Department.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 A.M.

The next meeting of the Abilene/Taylor County Child Advocacy Center Advisory Board will be **April 08, 2011** at 7:15 A.M., Taylor County Law Enforcement Center, 450 Pecan St., Abilene, TX 79602, 2nd Floor Conference Room.

Dee Moore, Chair
Shawn Miller, Secretary