



Abilene/Taylor County Child Advocacy Center  
Advisory Board Meeting Minutes  
10/14/11

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Stan Standridge – Chief, Abilene Police Department  
Downing Bolls – Taylor County Commissioners Court  
Dee Moore – Blue Cross/Blue Shield  
Craig Shaw – CBS Insurance  
Les Bruce – Taylor County Sheriff  
Laura Lee Hines – Concerned Citizen  
Karen Munoz – Elementary School Principal  
Gretchen Denny – Child Protective Services  
Anthony Williams – Abilene Christian University  
Karon Bingaman – Pediatric Nurse

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Dr. Jay Capra, M.D. – Pediatrician  
James Eidson – Taylor County District Attorney  
Bobby Easterling – Jim Ned, Middle School Principal  
Randy Holden – Tye Police Department  
Sue Pecoraro – Dyess O.S.I.  
Bob Jones – Merkel Police Department  
Nikki Favors – Concerned Citizen  
Debra McCracken – Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner  
Diane Dotson – Regional Crime Victims Crisis Center  
Leigh Ann Fry – Noah Project

**EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Melinda Beard – Director, ATCCAC

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Stacey Cisneros, CAC Detective  
Frank Shoemaker, CAC Detective  
Tony Golson, Youth Division Investigator  
Erin Bennett, Youth Division Investigator  
John Graham, Taylor County SO Investigator  
Dianna Benavides, CAC Forensic Interviewer  
Kendra Gabriel, Guest Speaker

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

**Board Appreciation**

Breakfast was provided to the Board in an effort to show appreciation for their commitment to serving. Multidisciplinary team members, who are involved in child abuse investigations in connection to the CAC, were introduced and given an opportunity to express appreciation to board members.

**Guest Speaker**

Kendra Gabriel, owner of Parlor Baking, provided muffins and coffee cake for the breakfast. She also shared her story about the importance of the CAC and its mission.

### Review and Approval of Minutes

A vote was taken and the board minutes were approved from the last meeting on 07-08-11.

### Nominating Committee Report

Melinda Beard reported that Sharon Miller contacted Nikki Favors, Craig Shaw, Laura Lee Hines, Dr. Jay Capra, and Karen Munoz about whether or not they wanted to continue serving on the Board. Everyone, except Dr. Capra, agreed to continue.

New board nominations were made for Becky Poindexter, Cassey Wasson, and Dr. Justin Smith.

A vote was taken and all nominations were approved.

Dee Moore agreed to continue serving as Chairman through the end of 2012. Many compliments were given to Dee about the excellent job she is doing in this position.

### Old Business

There was no old business to discuss.

### New Business

Chief Standridge reviewed a portion of the CAC Director's strategic plan which included; submitting a proposal for the City of Abilene to fully fund the Director's position in lieu of grant monies being used, create a CAC unit that is staffed with a sergeant and at least three full-time detectives, have the CAC unit become proactive in pursuing online solicitation of minors and possession of child pornography offenses, and secure twelve community businesses who will commit to holding a snack drive annually for the CAC during a designated month.

Chief Standridge suggested the Board become involved in two of these areas by actively seeking businesses to commit to having an annual snack drive and by drafting a letter in support of the Director's salary being paid by the City of Abilene. In regards to the snack drive, Anthony Williams agreed to reach out to both ACU and McMurry, Les Bruce agreed for the Taylor County Sheriff's Office to take on the month of December, and Gretchen Denny agreed for CPS to hold a snack drive in April.

### Director's Report

Snack Drive Update:

- July – Blue Cross Blue Shield
- August -
- September – Dyess Intelligence Flight
- October – Day Nursery?
- November –
- December –
- January – YaYa Gurlz
- February – CBS Insurance
- March – HSU Social Work Club
- April –
- May –
- June – CRC (Corporate Response Center)

Security Cameras/Intercom System:

- Front door, waiting room, playroom

Nominating Committee process

- Will send out via email for Board to review.

The next meeting of the Abilene/Taylor County Child Advocacy Center Advisory Board will be **January 13, 2012** at 7:15 A.M., Taylor County Law Enforcement Center, 450 Pecan St., Abilene, TX 79602, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room.

*Sharon Miller -  
Secretary*

*Dee Moore,  
Board Chair*