



CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER

ABILENE \ TAYLOR COUNTY

Abilene/Taylor County Child Advocacy Center

Board Meeting Minutes

01/8/2019

Present:

Casey Wasson
Debra McCracken
Becky Poindexter
Martin Hernandez
Kelly Messer- guest
Janey Wawerna
Melinda Beard
Karen Peterson
Karon Bingaman Hall
Dan Cox
Stan Standridge
Dee Moore
Leslie Boiles Holley
Mike Perry
Downing Bolls

- I. Call to Order @ 1602 by Dan Cox
- II. Minutes
 - a. Approve Minutes from September 11, 2018 meeting.
 - b. Motion by K. Hall, 2nd by D. McCracken – motion passed, minutes approved
- III. Agenda Items:
 - a. Discussion about Child Abuse Awareness Event and division of assignments
 - i. Sign up sheet
 - ii. Change for Change: multiple items discussed - some classes stopped collecting when banks were full, stuff bags at next meeting, reuse canisters and change labels, TCSO to help coordinate regional schools; S. Standridge will contact Primetime, FFB and AISD/WISD superintendents; 1 winning class from each district (AISD, WISD, Taylor county); goal date is 4/5/19 from 10:00-1:00 w/ no parents, classes bused over; rotate classes through laser tag; shirts that can be used year after year discussed; a \$250 graphic design fee to be considered for shirts as suggested by S. Standridge; need point of contact for Taylor County schools- SRO's will be contacted
 - b. Review and approve CAC board by-laws
 - i. No changes
 - ii. Motion to approve: B. Poindexter, 2nd by C. Wasson – motion passed
- IV. Director's Report:

Casey Wasson

Dee Moore

- a. CAC statistics for 2018
 - i. #s provided for FY 2018 (9/1/17 – 8/31/18)
 - ii. New tracking system in place
 - iii. Change in Family Code changes the cases interviewed
 - iv. No stranger cases in Taylor County
- b. Posting of new Victim Services Specialist in January
 - i. Position approved and posted
 - ii. Goal is to have VSS in place by 3/1/19
 - iii. Associate's degree required, will fill interviewer and family advocate role
- c. Highlight the updates for the MDT protocols
 - i. Sent to DFPS in September and now and HHS for approval
 - ii. Case review protocols expanded so CAC has a holistic approach as MDT does not want to only focus on sexual abuse and forensic interviews
 - 1. Child death
 - 2. Child tests positive for illegal drugs in conjunction with a caregiver being involved in a criminal offense – discussion brought up about needing narcotics or ARCADA added to MDT
 - 3. Child is transported to the hospital for medical reasons
 - iii. Other protocol updates
 - 1. Cultural competency and diversity
 - 2. Forensic interviews
 - 3. Medical evaluation
 - 4. MDT

V. Next Meeting 3/5/19 at 4:00 pm

Adjourn @ 1642