



**Abilene/Taylor County Child Advocacy Center
Board Meeting Minutes
05/07/2019**

Present:

Casey Wasson
Craig Shaw
Jason Shaw
Debra McCracken
Becky Poindexter
Melinda Beard

Karen Peterson
Stan Standridge
Leslie Boiles Holley
Mike Perry
Downing Bolls

- I. Call to Order @ 1600 by Jason Shaw
- II. Minutes
 - a. Approve Minutes from March 5, 2019 meeting.
 - b. Motion by D. McCracken, 2nd by B. Poindexter – motion passed, minutes approved
- III. Agenda Items:
 - a. Assess planning and implementation of Child Abuse Awareness Event and discuss possible changes for 2020
 - i. Discussion
 1. Moving to 2nd grade due to STAAR testing; understanding of awareness, obstacle/coordination may be better with 3rd grade
 2. No complaints from teachers
 3. Empty banks this year; hopeful that teaching/discussion materials went out; possible f/up email to teachers to remind the students of fliers and collection
 4. Discussed possibility of teachers not wanting to participate due to already “full plate”
 5. Discussed “Hope vs Knowledge” of making a difference; how to know if the board has made an impact or if information is discussed in the home or classroom; how to measure this impact
 - a. Poster board competition proposed by J. Shaw; top families awarded; poster of how the education material was addressed in the home; announcing poster contest in Feb or march, collect posters when banks go out; guidelines of posters would be based on information sent out to students/families
 - b. Timeline for roll out – to be added to September’s agenda
 - b. Discuss old and new LOCK fences
 - i. Original fence with locks, current fence on trailer

- ii. J. Shaw suggested picture/plaque of the 1st fence to go on the new trailer or a shadow box to be displayed in decided location; D. McCracken suggested 6x6 section of fence w/ 2 locks to go with picture in shadow box; D. Bolls suggested using the original fence in landscaping at the new LEC/CAC
- iii. Table until July meeting

IV. Director's Report:

- a. Victim Services Specialist position update: Courtney Garner left position in April; currently interviewing
- b. Discuss process of updating MDT protocols in fiscal year 2020
 - i. Revised in 9/2018; Texas standards changed and will go into effect 9/2020; will need another revision to meet the Texas standards
 - ii. Require review of all CPS intakes, adding county agencies to MDT
 - iii. Specific criteria to services added to protocols will add consistency across the board
 - iv. New protocols/rewrite revision due 7/2020 to the state
 - v. Challenges with MDT- "turf wars"
- c. Update on CAC move to new building
 - i. Scheduled 7/10/2019
 - ii. VSS will have an office
 - iii. Gaining 1 office
 - iv. Separate entrance from PD
 - v. Team meeting room w/ separate exit with other CAC rooms so 2 families will not interact

V. Next Meeting 7/2/19 at 4:00 pm

Adjourn @ 1655

Dan Cox

Karen Peterson