

**LANCASTER COUNTY CHILDREN & YOUTH AGENCY
CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

March 23, 2015

Board Members Present: Jeffrey Shank, Rebecca Sollenberger, Loretta Nolt, Dawn Horst, Richard Rush, Melvin Frye, Jr., Christine Connelly, Joshua Keller, Juli Vesper, George Pappas and Stephanie Roy

Staff Present: Crystal Natan, Betsy Frame, Pedro Rodriguez, Kelley Zipp and Kali Kunkle

Excused: Commissioner Scott Martin, Ryan Aument, Brett Cole, Ollie Jones and Heather Girvin

Public: None

Guests: None

Call to Order: Jeffrey Shank called the meeting to order at 7:34 a.m.

Approval of Board Minutes: George Pappas made a motion that the minutes from the November 2014 Board meeting be accepted as presented. Joshua Keller seconded. Motion passed.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Director's Report:

- Crystal Natan distributed updated statistics on CPS and GPS reports that reflected the drastic increase of reports since 1/1/15. We did receive approval from the State (OCYF) to hire a CPS supervisor, 2 CPS caseworkers and 1 screener. Crystal provided details on staff hiring, the impact of additional referrals, CPS reports and CWIS.
- A new protocol was distributed to the Board to review regarding the reporting of child abuse cases to law enforcement.
- There is a Child Protective Services Law Mandated Reporter online training that anyone can participate in. Currently staff are providing trainings to school, churches and other professionals. On May 8, 2015, the Lancaster Bar Association is hosting a continuing legal education training at 28 East Orange Street. Crystal will be doing a presentation during that training on Mandated Reporting.
- Staff are continuing to prepare to move downtown to the 150 North Queen Street office by the end of May and early June 2015. Crystal is hoping to schedule the next Board meeting in the new building and provide Board members with a tour of the offices. Staff will be located on the first, second and sixth floor. All parent/child visits will take place on the first floor. The Family Support department will be staying the Youth Intervention Center office location.

- The Union contract has not yet been approved. The Union filed an unfair labor practice with the State, so the County is in the process of responding to this.
- The Agency is piloting a mobile workforce study with one of the Permanency units. Caseworkers are able to work from home or the field several days per week.

Upcoming Events: The annual Resource Parent Appreciation Dinner will take place at the Eden Resort on Thursday, May 7, 2015.

Announcements: None

Public Comment: None

Meeting was adjourned at 8:38 am.

**NEXT MEETING: Monday, May 18, 2015
7:30 - 9:00 a.m.
at
Lancaster County Government Center 150 N. Queen St.**

Respectfully submitted,

Kali Kunkle