



**Ohio Children's Trust Fund
Board Meeting Minutes
January 9, 2008**

Board Members Present:

Senator Schuring	Representative Brown	Representative Wagner
Crystal Allen	Mary Deel	Karen Hughes
Director Jones-Kelley	Kelly Lynch	Dr. Frank Putnam
Director Cornelius	Arlene Jones	Sheriff Gene Kelly
Ericka Thoms		

Board Members Absent:

Lisa McDuffie	Senator Kearney
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OCTF Staff Present:

Candace Valach
Karen Minton

Guests:

Christina Phalen, Senator Kearney
David Monder, Senator Schuring
Tony Panzino, DYS, Partnership for Success

The third monthly meeting of the Ohio Children's Trust Fund Board was held on January 9, 2008, at 3:07 p.m. in the Riffe Building, the Chairman being present.

Old Business

Senator Schuring moved that the meeting minutes from the November 13, 2007, Board Meeting be approved. The motion was adopted.

New Business

Infrastructure Workgroup

Crystal Allen provided an update from the Infrastructure Workgroup. An overview of the workgroup's activities, draft copies of revised bylaws, and draft Board Member Expectations were distributed to the Board for review and feedback.

Prevention Programming Workgroup

Kelly Lynch provided an update from the Prevention Programming Workgroup. An overview of the workgroup's activities, as well as additional information on the Incredible Years and the Darkness to Light program was distributed for Board review.

State Fiscal Year 2009 State Plan

Candace Valach presented the revised State Plan for Fiscal Year 2009.

Karen Hughes offered a language clarification amendment. Frank Putnam seconded. The amendment was adopted.

Ericka Thoms offered an amendment to correct a formatting error. Frank Putnam seconded. The amendment was adopted.

Chairman Schuring moved that the amended State Plan be accepted. Karen Hughes seconded. The revised State Plan was unanimously accepted.

April 2008 Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Month

Candace Valach provided an update on the planning in progress for Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention month in April.

Kelly Lynch moved that the Board approve the negotiated contract for co-sponsoring the 6th Annual Prevention Conference in April. Sheriff Kelly seconded. The motion was adopted.

Director Jones-Kelley moved that the Board support Prevent Child Abuse Ohio's "88 in '08 – Pinwheels for Prevention" campaign, providing funding for 13 remaining counties to purchase pinwheels. Director Cornelius seconded. The motion was adopted.

Candace Valach informed the Board that the \$176,000 from the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services that has traditionally been allocated to the Trust Fund for distribution to the counties for prevention month activities will not be continued for April 2008. Kelly Lynch moved that the Trust Fund utilize its own revenue in order to ensure the counties receive the funds. Crystal Allen seconded. The motion was adopted.

The Board discussed other potential activities for Child Abuse and Neglect Awareness month. Sheriff Kelly moved that the Board move forward in the exploration of ideas for April. Arlene Jones seconded. The motion was adopted.

Kelly Lynch moved that an ad-hoc workgroup be established in May 2008 to begin planning for activities in April 2009. Ericka Thoms seconded. The motion was adopted.

SB 144

Karen Hughes provided the Board with an update on the Department of Health's implementation of Senate Bill 144.

Partnership for Success

The Board reviewed correspondence from the Partnership for Success Initiative. Tony Panzino from the Partnership for Success Initiative responded to questions from the Chair. The Chair moved that the Board enter into an MOU with the Partnership for Success. Sheriff Kelly seconded. The motion was adopted.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Candace L. Valach, Executive Director