



**Ohio Children's Trust Fund
Board Meeting Minutes
June 11, 2008**

Board Members Present:

Senator Schuring	Representative Brown	Dr. Frank Putnam
Crystal Allen	Arlene Jones	Kelly Lynch
Director Jones-Kelley	Director Dawson	Ericka Thoms

Board Members Absent:

Senator Kearney	Representative Wagner	Mary Deel
Karen Hughes	Lisa McDuffie	Sheriff Gene Kelly

OCTF Staff Present:

Candace Valach
Karen Minton

Guests:

David Monder, Legislative Aide to Chair
Christina Phalen, Aide to Senator Kearney

Chairman Schuring called the Ohio Children's Trust Fund Board Meeting to order at 3:16 p.m. on June 11, 2008 in the Riffe Building.

Old Business

Crystal Allen moved that the meeting minutes from the March 7, 2008, Board meeting be approved as submitted. Director Jones-Kelley seconded. The minutes were approved.

New Business

Respite Care

Chairman Schuring initiated a discussion on the need for respite care in Ohio. A brief overview of respite care was provided by OCTF staff. The Board discussed the potential infrastructure for a statewide respite care program, including the OCTF funding and administration of the program. Crystal Allen moved that the Prevention Programming Workgroup develop criteria for an application and report to the full board in August. Kelly Lynch seconded. The motion was adopted unanimously.

Alternative Response

At the Prevention Retreat in April, the board expressed an interest in funding the alternative response pilot project in Ohio. Kristin Gilbert, from the Office for Children & Families within ODJFS presented an overview of alternative response and the alternative response pilot program. Crystal Allen moved that the Ohio Children's Trust Fund allocate \$1 million to the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services

for the purposes of implementing the pilot project. Arlene Jones seconded. Board Members Kelly Lynch and Frank Putnam recused themselves from the vote. The motion was adopted.

Finance Committee

Crystal Allen nominated Ericka Thoms for the position of Finance Committee Chair. Frank Putnam seconded. The Chair moved that Ericka Thoms be elected Chair of the Finance Committee. The motion was unanimously adopted.

Ad hoc Prevention Month 2009 Committee

Executive Director Candace Valach asked for volunteers to serve on an ad hoc committee whose charter will be to prepare for the next Child Abuse & Neglect Prevention Month in April of 09. Board members Crystal Allen, Arlene Jones and Frank Putnam volunteered to serve.

OCTF SFY 00 County Allocation Process

Executive Director Candace Valach updated the Board on the status of the county SFY 09 allocation plans. At the end of April, the Trust Fund had 67 county applications ready for review and approval. The remaining counties either submitted an incomplete packet or requested an extension. Applications were reviewed individually and as a team. The final team comprised of the FCFC Regional Coordinator, a county peer, and the Executive Director. Of the 67 applications, 31 were recommended for funding, 36 were not recommended for funding, and 27 require training/TA (9 had missing components of the application). Reviews will continue next week for the 14 remaining applications.

Executive Director's Report

Candace Valach provided an update on current Trust Fund activities. The report highlighted a recent change within the organizational structure of the Ohio Network of Child Advocacy Centers (ONCAC), with whom the Board voted to administer the statewide Stewards for Children sexual abuse prevention program. The Chair moved that the Board vote to support the recent changes, and continue to move forward with the contracting process. Arlene Jones seconded. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.