Child Sexual Abuse and Exploitation Prevention Board

September 15, 2021
Regular Meeting - Video Teleconference
10:00 a.m. EST

Minutes

I. Welcome and Introductions

II. Roll Call: Catherine York as Proxy for Attorney General Daniel Cameron, Yvette Smith, Christa Bell, Matthew Johnson, Traci Bouchard, Leanna Homandberg, Claudette Patton, Iman Ali, Cal Pfeiffer, Dr. Vinod Rao, Lindsey Spivey, and Delana Sanders. Guests present - Theresa Gargan.

III. Review and approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on May 19, 2021, and July 21, 2021.
   a. Leanna Homandberg made a motion to approve the May 19, 2021, minutes. Claudette Patton seconded the motion to approve the minutes. The motion to approve the minutes passed unanimously.
   b. Leanna Homandberg made a motion to approve the July 21, 2021, minutes. Matt Johnson seconded the motion to approve the minutes. The motion to approve the minutes passed unanimously.

IV. New Business
   a. Financial Report - Cathy York discussed the Financial report. The OAG-Division of Administrative Services provides the financial report for the CVTF. Dr. Rao had a question at the last meeting about the last financial report. Cathy York stated that last month’s report had an abbreviation in it that was unclear. That abbreviation was for the Income Tax checkoff. Cal Pfeiffer asked how the CVTF license plate is promoted and offered his assistance in that regard. Cathy York stated that it is promoted by the CAC Grant recipients distributing posters throughout the Counties they serve and through the Attorney General’s website. A sub-committee to promote the license plate and branding consisting of Cal Pfeiffer as the Chair, Lindsey Spivey, and Iman Ali was created. Leanna Homandberg made a motion to create a sub-committee for marketing and branding. Cal Pfeiffer seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Cathy York offered her assistance and will provide materials to assist the sub-committee and Theresa Gargan will schedule a meeting for this Committee.

   Yvette Smith provided the contact for the CVTF interest options issue discussed at previous meetings. The contact is Ryan Farrow.

   Cathy York discussed the August CVTF financial report. Receipts for CVTF totaled $3,331. Expenditures were $3,894.56, which were primarily for CAC sexual assault medical exam reimbursements. CACs are seeing an increase in exams since school has re-started.

   b. Committee Updates
Legislative:

a. Update from Chair: Leanna Homandberg discussed her July 15, 2021 presentation to the Child Welfare and Oversight Advisory Committee she made with Heather Wagers regarding the Child Victim’s Trust Fund and the work of the Board. Senator Julie Raque Adams suggested that the scope of the Board be changed to encompass all forms of child maltreatment. During the committee, they were asked if other Child Victims’ Trust Funds focused on sexual abuse or all forms of maltreatment, and the majority are focused on combatting all forms of child maltreatment. A discussion was held about the statement that Kentucky is number one in the Country for child maltreatment. The source of that statistic came from an annual child maltreatment report from the Federal Children’s Bureau Administration for Children and Families. That report refers to Kentucky having the highest number of substantiations per capita based on population. Because each state sets its own definition of child abuse and neglect, it is impossible to compare one state to another. Christa Bell shared that 2019 report with the Board. A brief discussion was held about expanding the role of the Board. Cathy York stated that would have to be done through legislation. Cathy York made a motion for the Legislative Committee to explore legislation to broaden the scope of the Board to include all forms of child maltreatment. Leanna Homandberg seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

b. Strategic Plan Update: None.

Financial

a. Update from Chair: Update given during financial report discussion.

b. CVTF financial account interest options: Yvette Smith posted the contact name to see if there is even an option for an interest-bearing account. Cathy York will discuss options with her contact.

Training and Fundraising

a. Update from Chair: Marketing was discussed above. Cathy York stated that there have not been any trainings since the last meeting. She stated that the OAG/TAPP Office has been visiting CACs and they are posting CVTF promotional materials throughout their designated counties. It was discussed with the CACs to try and expand marketing in their areas.

Partner Updates & Announcements:

Cathy York stated that the Kids Are Worth It conference put on by Prevent Child Abuse Kentucky, is currently going on. She is working on a virtual exhibit for scholarships for that conference and the promotion of donating to the CVTF.

Adjourn: Leanna Homandberg made a motion to adjourn. Cal Pfeiffer seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
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