

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE GOVERNOR'S TASK FORCE ON JUSTICE FOR ABUSED CHILDREN

April 3, 2014 – 2:00pm.
Chief State's Attorney Office, Rocky Hill, CT

Present: S. Sedensky, K. Clark, H. Bey-Coon, A. Glaser, M. Ornouski, B. Pellissier

Guests:

Agenda Item	Discussion <i>(brief summary)</i>	Action <i>(and by whom)</i>
Meeting called to order	Meeting called to order at 2:07PM	
Welcome		
Approval of Minutes:	Approval of February 2014 minutes.	There was a motion to accept the minutes. The motion was moved and properly seconded. The motion passed. M/S/P Pellissier/Glaser
Budget	<p>Excess Funds- Reviewed the Chart of the Excess funds that have been approved by the GTF. We have a total of \$61,000 that have been approved.</p> <p>Child Death Investigations will be held in Danbury on June 23-24 and then the Tolland team training will be June 25-26.</p> <p>Medical Exam/Forensic Interview workgroup- Medical Brochure was being developed and there is a template that the workgroup is using. There is a Spanish Court Interpreter in Danbury Court has been asked to volunteer his time to translate the brochure. The audience is the families that would be going to the MDTs for services.</p> <p>NCA Leadership Conference - The CCA will be sending 6 members. This will mean that we will spend closer to \$12,000.</p> <p>CCA Advocacy Day: Request for funding proposal Connecticut Children's Alliance Child Abuse Awareness Day at the State Capitol- Ice Cream Social</p>	<p>The final draft of the brochure will be reviewed the teams for comment.</p> <p>There is a need to ensure that we have an additional</p>

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	<p>Dear GTFJAC Members, Attached is a request for proposal to help support the Connecticut Children's Alliance's upcoming Child Abuse Awareness Month event that is taking place on April 24, 2014 at the State Capitol. Please see attached invitation to the event. Connecticut Children's Alliance will be hosting an ice cream social to re-introduce the work of the CACS and MDTs across the State.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="352 358 1612 613"> <thead> <tr> <th>Item</th> <th>qty</th> <th>Per cost</th> <th>Total cost</th> <th>Total request</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Pinwheels</td> <td>75</td> <td>1.00</td> <td>75.00</td> <td>75.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Lapel pins</td> <td>50</td> <td>2.00</td> <td>100.00</td> <td>103.42</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ice Cream (gallon)</td> <td>6</td> <td>10.00</td> <td>40.00</td> <td>60.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>toppings</td> <td>6</td> <td>15.00</td> <td>75.00</td> <td>50.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Paper goods</td> <td>75</td> <td>1.00</td> <td>75.00</td> <td>75.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Bottled water</td> <td>75</td> <td>1.00</td> <td>75.00</td> <td>75.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>Total request</td> <td>\$438.42</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The executive committee discussed the proposal and changed the amount up to \$1,000 to cover the event. There was a discussion on where the funds would come from. Two sources within the budget were identified.</p>	Item	qty	Per cost	Total cost	Total request	Pinwheels	75	1.00	75.00	75.00	Lapel pins	50	2.00	100.00	103.42	Ice Cream (gallon)	6	10.00	40.00	60.00	toppings	6	15.00	75.00	50.00	Paper goods	75	1.00	75.00	75.00	Bottled water	75	1.00	75.00	75.00				Total request	\$438.42	<p>\$4,000 to cover this full expense.</p> <p>There was a motion to approve up to \$1,000 for this Advocacy event. The motion was moved and properly seconded. The motion passed. M/S/P Pellissier/ Ornosky</p>
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Executive Committee	There is a need to fill a position that is currently one vacancy on the executive committee.	Brad will follow up with a potential member.																																								
Finding Words Committee:	<p>The April course is occurring now. Our remaining 2014 Finding Words Connecticut dates are: October 6th through October 10th, 2014.</p> <p>Faculty traveled to Arkansas in March 2014 to learn the new protocol. The new protocol will be trained in the October 2014 course. The forensic interviewers will be updated in the late spring and summer of 2014.</p> <p>Lisa Mellilo is working with a Forensic Interviewer from Stamford. They have met several times and the interviewer was scheduled to observe Lisa's interview Wednesday. She will prepare a tape review with Lisa on February 11, 2014. The Mentors are now formalizing a mentoring handbook.</p>																																									
MDT Evaluation Committee:	<p>There are currently 2 evaluations that are being completed. Middletown and Danbury. Some of the teams have been having issues with getting the statistics that are needed to complete the survey and evaluation.</p> <p>The next teams are Milford and New London. The committee will be doing two teams in one month due to scheduling due to snow days.</p> <p>The April 2014 meeting has been canceled and the next meeting is in May 2014.</p>																																									

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	Round One teams have been through a debriefing session with the committee. Committee will work on supplying the MDT's with any changes in expectations/scope of services that are made as a result of the evaluations.															
Training Committee:	3/20/2014	Child Advocacy Programs, Day Kimball Healthcare	ANDREW J. SLITT	Child Proof	1000	1000	Approved	Brad will poll the Training Committee regarding making standard around whether applicants are encouraged to also seek funds from other sources.								
	3/20/2014	Litchfield Judicial District	Terri L. Sonnemann	Child Proof	1000	1000	Approved									
<p>Actions since last meeting are in bold</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="852 516 1205 789"> <tr> <td>Allocated</td> <td>\$20,000.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Prior committed</td> <td>\$8,008.64</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Commitments</td> <td>\$4,780.12</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Available</td> <td>\$7,211.24</td> </tr> </table> <p>There was a discussion around whether applicants are encouraged to also seek funds from other sources.</p> <p>NCATrak-</p> <p>Minimal Facts - The Train the Trainer occurred in February 2014.</p>									Allocated	\$20,000.00	Prior committed	\$8,008.64	Commitments	\$4,780.12	Available	\$7,211.24
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Membership Committee:	<p>Member Vacancies – Vacancies remain. Parent representative has been approached and invited to the September meeting to further understand the commitment. Law Enforcement still continues to be an area to be filled.</p> <p>Mental Health Work Group: Victim Services - There is a new lead in the area Valina Carpenter.</p>							Steve to send a note to the Commissioner of Public Safety.								
CCA Update:	<p>Enfield Team - The coordinator and team is new, however the coordinator has a strong grasp on the protocols. The prosecutor has not bought in on the MDT process. There have been several meetings that have now included the State Attorney covering that area and Steve has been part of the process.</p> <p>The executive committee is looking to engage NRCAC to assist with some technical assistance.</p> <p>The CCA is looking for a new Director. There is a committee looking at the job description for this position. There is a previous coordinator, Ellie Hartog, who has been assisting in the interim.</p>							The MDT evaluation committee chair will place on the agenda the possibility of changing Enfield's time to be evaluated.								

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GTF Coordinator Update:	Website: The site is up but not live. Executive Committee will need to review prior to the site going live. Information has been requested to be added to the site.	
Old Business:		
New Business:	<p>March Agenda Items: May Agenda Items- Tammy to supply a DCF budget. Update on Excess Funds, Vacancies on Executive Committee and Task Force, CJA Application. June Agenda items - Same as above. MDT Evaluation report on the first round of teams.</p>	
Announcements:	n/a	There was a motion to adjourn which was moved and properly seconded. The motion. Pellissier/Ornous ky MSP

Respectfully Submitted,

Kristen M. Clark
 GTFJAC Coordinator