

**LAFAYETTE COUNTY CHILDREN'S SERVICES FUND
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
6 pm – 8 pm**

MINUTES: Wednesday July 18th, 2018 at Lafayette County Courthouse, Assessors office, Lexington, MO.

Approval of Agenda: Mark moved to approve the agenda, Laura seconded. All were in favor, motion passed.

Bills to be paid: Aaron moved to pay the credit card payment due for \$253.35, Brian seconded. All were in favor, motion passed.

Craig made an announcement to the board that he had found a new board member and would be making the appointment soon.

Resilience Film: A special thanks to the Northland Coalition and Ray County Board of Services for the permission to show this film. The board viewed the film and had a time for discussion afterwards. Some of the questions that the board discussed were:

- What did you learn?
- What did you find eye-opening about the film?
- How can we help children who have been exposed to trauma?
- What are your thoughts about zero-tolerance policies for “bad behavior” in schools or youth-serving organizations?
- What is a health or social issue you noticed in the film that you were surprised tied back to ACE's and other toxic stressors?
- What other supports or resources can we provide to build resilience in children and strengthen families?

The Executive Director read information from the Facilitators Guide that revisited important topics that were seen in the film. An important topic regarding resilience was discussed – “The presence of caring adults and stable environments are a necessary component for a child's health development and for building resilience. Research is now showing that the presence of supportive relationships is more critical than the absence of ACEs in promoting well-being.” The board spent time talking about supporting families and students in the school setting. Encouraging the school staff to watch the film to gain awareness and insight.

Additionally, discussion centered around collaborative ideas, strategic funding, and supportive efforts to invest into the community. The board felt it would be a good idea to explore options for purchasing the Resilience Film with permissions to show it to school districts, churches, and community organizations. The Executive Director would be following up to learn more about this and be presenting information to the board at the next meeting.

Adjourn: Chip moved to adjourn the meeting, Mark seconded. All were in favor, motion passed. Meeting ended at 8 pm.

Commissioners:

Craig Williams
Harold Hoeflander
Tracy Dyer

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Directors:**

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Tiffany Harbour

Respectfully Submitted,
Tiffany Harbour
Executive Director

Reviewed by,
Laura Scott
Secretary

Mark your calendar for the upcoming LCCS meetings:

Reminder: _____

Wednesday August 15, 2018

Wednesday September 19, 2018

Wednesday October 17, 2018

Wednesday November 21, 2018

Wednesday December 19, 2018

Wednesday January 16, 2019

Wednesday February 20, 2019

Wednesday March 20, 2019

Wednesday April 17, 2019

Wednesday May 15, 2019

Wednesday June 19, 2019