

Montana Children's Trust Fund Board Meeting Minutes

June 17th, 2019

Colonial Building, Wilderness Room
2401 Colonial Dr, Helena, MT 59601

PRESENT: Leslie Caye (Chair), Scott Wheeler (Vice Chair), Joe Raffiani (Skype), Kristina Davis (Skype), Tracy Moseman, Brooke Bartholomew

REGRETS: Patty Butler

Staff present: Melissa Lavinder (Director), Amber Barnes (Program Assistant, Recorder), Ellen Guyer (AmeriCorps VISTA)

Guests present: Laura Smith, Vicki Turner

Montana Children's Trust Fund (MT CTF) Board Meeting called to order at 10:06 a.m. by Chairman Leslie Caye.

Leslie Caye asked for public comments. Brooke Bartholomew requested the MT CTF Board consider the amount of time given to organizations/vendors to submit a response to Requests for Proposals. She commented that it was difficult to understand whether the Logic Model should be written for one year or for a full program.

Tracy Moseman moved to accept minutes as read. Unanimous oral vote. Motion adopted. Previous minutes were approved as presented.

Scott Wheeler moved to accept the MT CTF Request for Proposals Committee's recommendation that MT CTF funds The Parenting Place proposal and reallocate the remaining funds to statewide projects.

Melissa Lavinder explained MT CTF funding stream differences, including timelines for expenditure.

Discussion was held on the effectiveness of marketing to prevent child abuse and neglect and the different levels of prevention services.

Melissa Lavinder presented a brief overview of a recent meeting between MT CTF staff, DPHHS Deputy Director Laura Smith, and Nikki Grossberg of DPHHS Child and Family Services Division (CFSD) held on June 14, 2019.

DPHHS Deputy Director Laura Smith gave brief description of the Safe Spaces Campaign and CFSD Core Trainings.

Leslie Caye called for a 15-minute recess. MT CTF Board Meeting resumed at 12:31 pm.

Tracy Moseman moved to contract with Montana State University Center for Health and Safety Culture for \$100,000 to address social norms in Montana to prevent Abusive Head Trauma, contingent on the MT CTF Board approving Montana State University Center for Health and Safety Culture's concept paper. Unanimous oral vote. Motion passed as amended.

Tracy Moseman moved that MT CTF contracts with the University of Montana for up to \$100,000 to host up to 6 regional trainings in evidence-based home visiting. Unanimous oral vote. Motion passed as amended.

Scott Wheeler moved that the MT CTF Board fund a geospatial analysis of risk and protective factors in Montana using ArcGIS Software up to \$17,000. Unanimous oral vote. Motion passed.

Tracy moves that if the geospatial analysis is not feasible or too expensive, the \$17,000 will be reallocated to the regional home visiting trainings. Unanimous oral vote. Motion passed.

Amber Barnes presented the Parent Advisory Council Draft Plan. The Board decided to explore less formal methods to solicit parent/caregiver feedback.

Melissa Lavinder presented the MT CTF Draft Revised Budget. Scott Wheeler moved to accept the budget narrative as amended. Unanimous oral vote. Motion passed.

Discussion about State Income Tax Check Off Campaign language and outreach.

Leslie Caye moved to adjourn the MT CTF Board Meeting. MT CTF Board Meeting adjourned at 2:54 pm.

Next board meeting scheduled for Monday, October 7, 2019.