

Harney County Commission on Children and Families
Annual Retreat Meeting Minutes
1/13/05

Attending: Chair: Dan Nichols; Ann Vloedman; Debbie Ausmus;
 Ramona Hofman; Sonni Svejcar; Patty Dorroh, Director
 Absent: Joyce Moser; Michelle Bradach; Lou Davies
 Guests: Peg VanderZanden

<p>Dan called the meeting to order at 10: 10 am. No public comments were offered.</p>	<p>Call to order</p>
<p>It was moved and seconded to approve the agenda and minutes as written. Motion carried.</p>	<p>Approval of Agenda and Minutes</p>
<p>The Commission viewed the Oregon CCF Ten Year Anniversary DVD. It provided a positive way to begin the annual retreat.</p>	<p>OCCF Ten Year Anniversary DVD</p>
<p>Patty shared highlights on the topic of <i>Being a Change Agent Leader</i>, from the Leadership Institute she attended in December. CCF work is all about the challenges of adaptive work, which is different from traditional, technical work. Adaptive work is characterized by solutions and implementation that are unclear and require change and learning. The adaptive leader must put the challenge on the table and identify it in a way that people can work with. It's important to support the people involved, rather than trying to control them, and to be open to the unexpected voices of leadership that come from unexpected sources.</p>	<p>Being a Change Agent Leader</p>
<p>Patty provided the Director's Report. She reported that she's been in the job now for six months, made it through two cycles of quarterly reporting to the State, attended regional and local meetings, and attended the State Commission meeting in December. The first Step 8 data report is due to the State office by Jan 31st and is on track for completion. This data collection supports Harney County's June 2004 Comprehensive Plan Update and involves eight community partners.</p>	<p>Director's Report</p> <p>Step 8 Data Collection Report</p>
<p>Providers are on track with their programs and reporting. Patty announced that Paul Smith, the Grant-Harney CASA Director has moved on to another job; and that Cinnamon Falley will be leaving as the Director of the Boys and Girls Club of Harney County, with Susan Carlile serving as the Interim Director.</p>	<p>Providers on Track</p> <p>Change in CASA and Boys & Girls Club Directors</p>
<p>No letters of interest have been received to fill the one Commission vacancy.</p>	<p>Commissioner Vacancy Remains</p>
<p>Media announcements went out advertising the Commission's donation application deadline. An unusually high number of requests – 12 – were received.</p>	<p>High Number of Donation Requests</p>

The Commission did purchase an HCCCF banner, which cost \$125 and looks very nice.

Banner Purchased

Researched from the last commission meeting: Patty confirmed that HCCCF provider contracts do not require a recompetition every year, and therefore, the proposal and bidding process is not required on an annual basis.

Annual RFP
Process Not
Required

Patty reported that CCF budget cuts have been proposed in the Governor's Recommended Budget and she will be watching and tracking that closely. The Commission will want to review its programs in a couple of months to prioritize them as the budget numbers materialize.

Upcoming Budget
Cuts

Dan reported that the Donation Committee met immediately prior to the commission meeting to evaluate twelve requests for donations. The commission discussed the merits and applicability of each request. The maximum available for funding the donations is a total of \$8,000. The committee recommended supporting seven of the requests as follows: \$2,000 to Young Life of Harney County, \$1,000 to the Community Action Team/Positive Youth Reinforcement Committee, \$500 to the All-American Boxing Club, \$500 to the Burns Paiute Reservation Powwow, \$3,000 to the Burns High School Band, \$500 to the Kelley Arena Rodeo, and \$500 to the Opie Arena Rodeo. It was moved, seconded, and all voted in favor to support the committee's recommendation to donate a total of \$8,000 as recommended by the Donation Committee.

Approval of
Donation Requests

Peg VanderZanden, the Local Systems Development Coordinator for the Eastern Region, from the Oregon Commission on Children and Families (OCCF), was in attendance. Peg provided a Summary of Oregon County Plan Updates. Harney County was one of the 35 (out of 36) counties that submitted their update on time. Many of Oregon's counties are experiencing similar challenges and benefits from the comprehensive planning process, and the State Commission is working on removing or lessening the barriers identified. A quote from Harney County's update was included in the state's summary report.

Peg VanderZanden:
State Commission
Presentation on
County Plan
Updates

Meeting was adjourned at 12:05 pm. Community partners arrived to participate in a facilitated discussion regarding *Increasing Positive Parenting*. The next HCCCF meeting is scheduled for February 10, 2005 at 1:30 pm at the State Office Building conference room.

Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Dorroh - Director