

## Region 4 Advisory Council Voting Members Meeting

December 15, 2015  
Hartford DCF Office  
250 Hamilton Street  
Hartford, CT

**Members Present:** Deb Bastie, Sarah Becker, Tim Carroll, Alice Farrell, Bryan Flint, Giselle Jacobs, Wayne Johnson (DCF), Diane Kearney, Beth Landolina (DCF), Nick Lebron, Manuel Maldonado, Alana Parkinson, Malika Robledo (DCF), Kathy Schiessl, Jeanette White (DCF), Donna Maitland-Ward (DCF), David Santis

**Voting Members Absent:** Ames, Jeremiah; Ames, Leslie; Davis, Carleen; Glynn, Hector; Henry, Bernetta; Jacobs, Corey; Little, Lorna; Robles, Josie; Stone, Martha; Trigilio, Linda; Wilson, Beresford

The DCF Region 4 RAC meeting was held at the Hartford DCF office from 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM. This meeting is for the voting membership & DCF Staff.

### Overview of Meeting

The overview of the meeting was to talk about Permanency Teaming, Integrated Service System, Early Childhood and to get a SAC update.

### Minutes review

- The minutes were reviewed but there was no quorum to except the minutes
- We will accept by email.

### Performance Expectation around Permanency Teaming

- 5 Permanency tools that are used by staff were handed out
- Inner Circle-used with youth to see who their supports are in their lives
- Sands of Time- DCF hosted a youth event and staff completed this tool with their youth
- Some youth only had professional support no personal people in their jars
- Three House tool- house of worries, house of good things and house of dreams
- I Want to Say Something tool- SW can fill it out with or for the youth and bring it to large team meetings on behalf of the youth
- My Social World tool- Can fill out to see what supports are in a youth life, friends, coaches, teachers, family, etc.
- DCF SW leads the team meetings

ISS- tabled until next meeting

SAC update

- Proposed Foster parent legislation allowing FP to become guardians of children
- Foster Care Survey was sent out-Chris can send a link to it
- Chris Lau will bring any information to the RAC as she hears about this legislation
- Child Behavior Advisory Committee (CBAC) seems like a separate entity
- SAC advises the Commissioner and meets every other month
- The Commissioner attends 3 times a year
- Crossover youth (youth that have CPS and JJ involvement) and JJ youth are they ever on the agenda?
- Study being done by UCONN to look at the Crossover youth
- Age is a factor in crossing over
- Develop a plan to send RAC members to the collaborative
- Region 3 has a quarterly Saturday meeting
- Have a quarterly meeting with the chairs and co-chairs of the collaborative
- Beacon Health and Value Options not talking to each other
- DCF will have a data connect so outside providers can access information

Next agenda items:

1. Crossover youth and JJ youth
2. Training for Foster Care workers
3. Early Childhood Update

Motion to adjourn by Kathy Schiessl and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Alana Parkinson

The Region 4 RAC Voting membership meeting was adjourned at 2:00 PM

Submitted by,  
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