

**COMMUNITY POLICY AND MANAGEMENT TEAM
MINUTES
November 22, 2021**

The members of the CPMT met on Monday, November 22, 2021 at 10:12 a.m. in the Training Room of the Tazewell County Department of Social Services.

The following members attended:

Audra Brown	Family Preservation Services
Melinda Smith	Tazewell County Public Schools
Sheri Hale	Tazewell County Department of Social Services
Robin Boyd	Clinch Valley Community Action
Lori Gates-Addison	Cumberland Mountain Community Services Board
Shanna Plaster	Tazewell County Board of Supervisors

The following members were absent:

Jeff Brintle	Court Services
Patti Cettin	TASK (Taking Action for Special Kids)
Robin Jackson	Cumberland Plateau Health District
Arlene Matney	Tazewell County Administration
Cinthia Cline	Parent Representative

Lori Gates-Addison, Vice Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:12 a.m.

October 25, 2021 CPMT Minutes – Shanna Plaster made the motion to approve the minutes from October 25, 2021 CPMT meeting. Sheri Hale seconded and the motion unanimously passed.

October Financial Report – Robin Boyd made the motion to approve the October Financial Report. Melinda Smith seconded and the motion unanimously passed.

Encumbered WRAP Funds – Melinda Smith made the motion to approve the Encumbered WRAP Funds. Robin Boyd seconded and the motion unanimously passed.

Safe & Stable Funds – Sheri Hale made the motion to approve the Safe & Stable Funds. Melinda Smith seconded and the motion unanimously passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: OCS Calendar – The Team reviewed the OCS Training Calendar for December 2021; there were no scheduled trainings.

CPMT Attendance – The Team discussed attendance of the mandated members of CPMT, as well as non-mandated members. According to Local Policy & Procedure, all members must attend at least 50% of the meetings or they will be dismissed from the Team and replaced with a new member. The Team decided to discuss this issue again at the December 2021 CPMT meeting.

Community Announcement – Ms. Lori Gates-Addison informed the Team she is still offering NARCAN Trainings.

New CSA Coordinator – Ms. Shanun Smith informed the Team she is taking another position at Tazewell DSS and a new CSA Coordinator has been hired and will begin December 01, 2021. Ms. Smith added that she will be training the new Coordinator and would at least be attending CPMT for the final time in December 2021, unless the Coordinator would be absent in which case Ms. Smith would be the backup Coordinator.

CQI – CQI reports from Tazewell, Russell and Buchanan Counties were reviewed by CPMT. It was noticed that Net expenditures were less and there were fewer Residential Foster Care Cases in Russell County than the other two counties. Ms. Lori Gates-Addison, which sits on CPMT for all three counties, said she believed that the difference was due to Russell County having The Cottage Program and more Local DSS Foster Homes. Ms. Sheri Hale mentioned the State pushing for more Fictive Kin Placements; also that Tazewell County had more young adults staying in “Care” due to choosing to take advantage of the IL and Fostering Futures Programs in hopes of the young adults receiving college degrees, completing a career certification and hopefully this will break the cycle of children coming into care. She explained that many of the children we have in care now are grandchildren of children that were in foster care 20 plus years ago and with the new programs in place, it will put an end to the cycle of family members entering Foster Care. CPMT also discussed the amount of children coming into care for Tazewell County; thus far, for FY21/22 the number is declining, there are more adoptions and the CSA Funds being spent are finally beginning to even out and decrease in some services. The Team decided they would like to review the CQI reports quarterly on all three counties.

Correction – Correction to the October 25, 2021 minutes; Ms. Shanna Plaster was in attendance.

Closed Meeting – Robin Boyd made a motion that the CPMT go into Closed Session to discuss cases for Foster Care, CPS, Cumberland, Court Services, Tazewell County Schools and funding to be provided for services for these cases. The motion was seconded by Melinda Smith and unanimously carried.

Certification of Closed Meeting

WHEREAS, The Tazewell County CPMT has convened a closed meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative vote and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, 2.2-3711 and 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the CPMT that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tazewell County CPMT hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (i) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the CPMT.

VOTE

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