

**GREENE COUNTY FAMILY AND CHILDREN FIRST COUNCIL  
STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING  
ESC, 360 E. ENON ROAD, YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO 45387**

**MINUTES  
AUGUST 1, 2022**

**PRESENT:**

Brubaker, Sandy	GC Juvenile Court, Program Partnership/Fiscal Director
Cordell, Deb	GC Family & Children First, Fiscal Coordinator
Crossman, Renee	GC Family & Children First, Admin Associate
Graves-Strieter, Terry	GC Educational Service Center, Superintendent
Hamer, Pamela	GC Combined Health Dept. Help Me Grow/Early Intervention, Coordinator
Howell, Melissa	GC Public Health Department, Commissioner
LaRock, John	GC Board of Developmental Disabilities, Superintendent
Lewis, Brent	GC Family & Children First, Director
Matheson, Deborah	Family Violence Prevention Center, Executive Director
Mayer, Greta (CHAIR)	Mental Health & Recovery Board, President/CEO
McCree, Lillian	GC Educational Service Center, Family & Community Partnership Liaison
Otto, Tom (VICE CHAIR)	TCN Behavioral Health Care, Associate CEO

Ms. Mayer called the meeting to order at 10:30am.

**REVIEW / APPROVAL OF JUNE 2022 MEETING MINUTES**

Ms. Mayer put forth a motion to recommend acceptance of the June 2022 Minutes. Motion was made by Ms. Matheson, and seconded by Ms. Howell. This motion passed without exception.

**OTHER ITEMS AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIR / DIRECTOR**

**Service Gap:** Mr. Lewis mentioned that previously there has been discussion regarding clients needing to drive 45 minutes to an hour one way to service providers. His proposal is to take this obstacle and need to the Leadership Team that was formed through Collective Impact, so that possible resolutions can be made. Most of the youth FCF serves need higher level of services than are offered in Greene County. Services such as Partial Hospitalization will allow for youth to be served in the community rather than being placed in residential care. However, in many cases we are not able to access these intensive services because they either don't exist in our County, or if they do there is usually a long wait list. Mr. Lewis reported that FCF has reached out to Montgomery County in order to work with them on Partial Hospitalization programs, however these services are limited in Montgomery County also. There is up to a four-month process to enroll youth in partial hospitalization through the Y-Cats program. Also, this program has been reduced in frequency following COVID and is only offered 2 days a week, for 4 hours a day. This is not a sufficient level of care for the higher end youth we serve. Mr. Lewis feels we can prevent some of our youth from ending up in Residential Care if we can identify these service gaps and create additional services in our community or remove barriers such as transportation to programming that is out of county.

Ms. Howell agreed that this would be an important discussion point at the next Leadership Team meeting.

**Concerning request from Mr. Curran (City of Beavercreek) about receiving information from Agencies on programs being offered:** Ms. Howell mentioned that the Health Department has contracts with all jurisdictions which shows year-to-year the amount of service provided in each area. This is helpful as they receive funding from the City of Beavercreek, and therefore it clearly shows that the amount of services being provided outweighs the amount received.

Mr. Otto wanted to clarify that after talking with Mr. Curran the City of Beavercreek does not need detailed statistics from each agency on their activities, but rather highlights in order for Mr. Curran to be informed of resources and programs available. If further clarification is needed it may be beneficial to reach out to Mr. Curran.

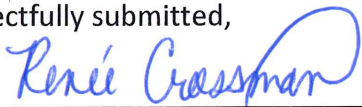
Mr. Lewis mentioned that previously Ms. Joanna Garcia (Vice Mayor of Beavercreek) was engaged in FCF meetings and was current on activities and resources available. As Beavercreek has the largest population in Greene County, therefore a mandated representative from Beavercreek City is to attend our Full Council Meetings. Mr. Curran has been appointed the representative by administration in Beavercreek. For clarification see:

(Ohio Laws & Administrative Rules, Section 121.37 | Ohio Family and Children First Cabinet Council / (B)(1) "Each board of county commissioners shall establish a county family and children first council. The board may invite any local public or private agency or group that funds, advocates, or provides services to children and families to *have a representative become a permanent or temporary member of its county council. Each county council must include the following individuals: (i) A representative of the municipal corporation with the largest population in the county;*")

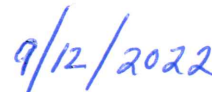
With no further business Ms. Mayer **adjourned the meeting at 10:45am.**

The next Steering Committee Meeting will be on: **Monday, SEPTEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup> at FCF location, 158 E. Main Street, Xenia, starting at 9:00am.**

Respectfully submitted,



**Renee Crossman, Admin. Support  
Greene County Family and Children First Council**



**Approved Date:**