

Members Attending:

Michael Steinert, Co-Chair
Jan Finch
David Woody
Lee LeGrice
Jennifer Gilley
Lisa Benton
Katie Tilley
Kris Painter
Sean Allen

• ***Introductions...***

- Beth Ewing has left the Women's Center and will no longer be part of the Grants Committee. Laura at The Women's Center will identify an alternate participant.
- Ashley Owens has left the United Way of Tarrant County (Arlington). Lisa Benton agreed to follow up with United Way to identify another possible representative.
- Katie Tilley (previously with Cook Children's) is re-joining the committee in her role as grants manager for All Church Home For Children

• ***Old business***

- Mike reminded/requested that the group e-mail potential participants for the developing Research Council (individuals from universities that they have a connection with). Discussion of bringing this group together will begin in September 2007.

• ***Current grant awards & applications, requests for support letters***

- Jennifer reports Tarrant Challenge has received a SAMHSA conference grant to support a training 1/23/08 on prescription and over-the-counter drug abuse. The training will be held at the Botanic Gardens. Tarrant Challenge is still waiting for notification from OJJDP regarding family drug court funding, and looking at the 'court improvement project' as another potential funding source.

- Sean Allen and MHMR (in collaboration with Tarrant Challenge) are looking at NIH R-21 funding opportunities to develop partnerships between community agencies and universities.
- Lisa Benton reports Community Solutions has not heard regarding their application for SAMHSA supplemental funding for year 5.
- Lee confirmed Lena Pope Home is still waiting for word on Childhood Trauma awards (end of August or September).
- Kris Painter and UTA are currently focusing research efforts comparing case management models (traditional CPS model vs. a more intensive 'wraparound' approach).
- Katie shared that All Church/Bridge successfully completed its first Federal monitoring visit; that all current grant applications are renewals of existing funding.
- Jan updated the group that the State DID NOT renew funding for The Parenting Center's Selecting Success, child abuse and neglect prevention program. They are pursuing other funding; Meadows Foundation is interested but they need to secure other match funding first. Also, the Healthy Marriage program received funding for an additional 15 months.
- Mike shared about the integration of a second JPS school-based clinic into a Family Resource Center (@ FRC - *Northside*). County Commissioners have just approved funding for 7 more school based clinics in Tarrant County for this coming year.

- **Announcements**

- Community Solutions 'Fine Line' photographic exhibit and media campaign received 2 silver and 1 bronze *ECCO Award* at the SAMHSA conference this past week, also, MHMR evaluation presented a poster illustrating the integration of local and national data in our system of care project.
- Kris Painter will be leaving UTA and joining Texas Women's University (also spending 2 days a week at MHMR as part of a collaborative).

- **Next Meeting**

Thursday September 13th, 2007

9:00am

MHMR north tower – 3rd floor conference room