



## Story County Human Services Council Meeting **MINUTES**

Thursday, January 25, 2018

11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

St. Andrew's Lutheran Church (Behind Colorado Junction in Fellowship Hall)

209 Colorado Ave.; Ames, IA 50014

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### A. PRESENT:

Nikki Sprecher, Story Co. Community Services, Dian Bjorklund, Friendship Ark, Alyssa Rasmussen, LSI/People Place, Regan Orr, LSI/People Place, Megan Thompson, MICA, Lisa Turner, Catholic Charities, Miguel Biottt, Primary Health Care, Steph Hoskins, CareMore, Shari Atwood, CyRide/AAMPO, Sarah Bohlke, Ames Public Library, Erika Peterson, Boys & Girls Club of Story County, Marion Kresse, BooSt, Rachele Flory, Childserve, Cassie Clyde, Drake University Head Start, Linda Munden, Emergency Residence Project, Joni Houck, Mainstream Living, Cari McPartland, The Salvation Army, Melissa Murray, Legal Aid, Kyle Briese, Iowa State University, Kaitlin Binnebose, Boys & Girls Club of Story County, Anne Owens, Volunteer Center of Story County

### B. Business Meeting

- a. Call to order at 11:34 am
- b. Introductions
- c. Revision to minutes –  
December 2017 minutes not available at this time. Will be ready for review at the February 2018 meeting.
- d. Reports
  - i. *Treasurer (including dues update/reminder).*  
Current Balance is: \$1,163.16
  - ii. *Resource Guide Committee –*  
Owens has gotten notifications of updates and will be revising the guide shortly. Committee is still reviewing and looking into options for a volunteer position to maintain the guide and options for a permanent agency to be responsible for the guide.
  - iii. ASSET Panel Rep – temporarily suspended
- e. Old Business
  - i. ASSET discussion – *Need to respond to ASSET; potential changes; desires for change*

Briese reviewed history of SCHSC/ASSET relationship and facilitated a discussion on future direction of the relationship

- o The Liaison position is a foundational tenet of SCHSC By-laws and the subsequent challenges of filling this position has led to this discussion.
- o Peterson reviewed her experience as the Panel Rep, and the positional difference between the focus of ASSET and the SCHSC purposes.
- o Briese asked Peterson her opinion on the value of the position as the HSC representative
  - There is value.
  - One person not three may be a way to continue the relationship.
  - This position might have more value if the meeting focus was where are agencies are going to grow and what are the opportunities for collaboration within this group.
  - As a panel rep — SCHSC has been informative about programming and less collaborative in nature, ASSET focuses on the collaborative.

- Kresse expressed agreement that it makes sense/there is a need for one person to be the Representative and a backup plan for the communication to keep the position from lapsing.
- Part of this struggle/conversation is because CEO/Lead staff relating to funding decisions are not in attendance and program staff are at the HSC meeting and the ASSET information affects other staff so the information isn't relevant.
- McPartland — there is a shared discussion that does need to happen about why SCHSC members are in attendance and the ASSET piece.
  - HSC meeting focus on program changes, needs arising, networking, etc.
  - Mid-year review to keep the groups connected.
- Briese reminded the group this is a question of does the HSC change our rules or change our behavior.
- Owens and Biott expressed that since members' reasons for involvement in HSC vary — instead of focusing on the reason should the HSC focus on priorities — awareness of services, collaboration opportunities, ASSET/Funding requirements.
- It was pointed out again that agencies and the relevant staff and volunteers in both HSC & ASSET have access to the meetings in new and variety of methods.
- The group is still interested in ASSET Liaisons/Leadership attending SCHSC meetings more regularly to share information
- Atwood shared historical information that ASSET leadership came to share ASSET changes and that is the only time they have participated in HSC meetings during her experience with the group.
- Kresse — Motion that SCHSC Executive Committee redesign the Panel Representative position from three to one person to continue communicating between SCHSC and ASSET — Peterson seconded the motion
- - Atwood asked if it should be a ASSET funded representative
  - Voting for representatives is only available to ASSET funded SCHSC members
  - Murray — This redesign is a logical stopgap to maintain compliance until focus of SCHSC is determined
- Motion passed

f. New business

*i. 2017-18 Mini-grant opportunity —*

- Funding around \$1,000 available — collaborative efforts among group members is a priority for funding.
- More applications that funds available last year — efforts are made to fund as many requests as possible.
- Anyone who is interested and is not seeking funding would be welcome to join the review team with the Executive Committee.

*ii. SCT Brochure – CyRide is launching CyRide 2.0 - The Next Generation of Navigating Ames, Shari Atwood*

- Shared revised Brochure to reflect that MCO AMerihealth Cerritas that has been removed.
- Added Transportation alternatives — Uber, American Cancer, ISU Enterprise options.
- Available online @ [CyRide.com/sct](http://CyRide.com/sct).
- Any changes should be brought to the attention to Shari or the Transportation Collaboration.
- Cy-ride has approved a fare decrease and is determine when it will go into effect in 2018.
- All but 2 routes are changing for 2018-19 — with more options and more rides
- Question about MCO's approval of bus passes, notice has been sent to legislature, DHS and IA Public Transportation group to raise awareness that bus pass funding is needed but is not happening, and transit systems are not being refunded by MCO's

*iii. Agency share – Alyssa Rasmussen, LSI/People Place*

- Located diagonally from Ames Library at United Church of Christ, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor
  - Parent Education/Development — am — T/Th, parents bring children for interaction and adult time — speakers from the community are welcome
  - 9 week nutritional course available
  - Child care available 0-5
  
- All programs are voluntary —
  
- Parent Cafes — pilot program in April (2 sessions), May (2 sessions) @ Bethesda, Parents/Guardians/Caregivers for 0-18.
  
- Crisis Child Care — 0-12, live in Story Co. experiencing crisis — homelessness, mental health, last minute situations, safe alternatives— not backup childcare
- There is a need for child care in Story County — providers are full. Contact LSI if you are interested in being a provider or know people who are.
  
- Boys & Girls Club — summer programming will be out in April — Memberships are required and forms turned in at an required orientation. Fee changing from \$35/child to \$50/child for summer and a daily early bird fee before 10 am — \$5/child/day — scholarship opportunities are available

B. Adjourn. 12:39 pm

**Next SCHSC meeting: Thursday – February 22, 2018**

**THANKS FOR ATTENDING!**

<b>SCHSC OFFICERS</b>	<b>ASSET PANEL – Temporarily Suspended</b>
Co-Chairs: Kyle Briese, <a href="mailto:BrieseK@mgmc.com">BrieseK@mgmc.com</a> Shari Atwood, <a href="mailto:satwood@cyride.com">satwood@cyride.com</a> Secretary: Anne Owens, <a href="mailto:director@vcstory.org">director@vcstory.org</a> Treasurer: Kaitlin Binnebose, <a href="mailto:kaitlin@bgcstorycounty.org">kaitlin@bgcstorycounty.org</a>	<b>Panel #1 – Health:</b> <b>Panel #2 – Income:</b> <b>Panel #3 – Education:</b> Erika Peterson (Boys and Girls Club); Exp. 4/2019  <b>More Info @ ASSET Liaison Assignments @ <a href="http://www.storycountyasset.org">www.storycountyasset.org</a></b>

