Montana Children's Trust Fund Board Meeting Minutes Thursday, March 17, 2022 Zoom Meeting

Present: Brooke Bartholomew, Jeri Delys, Teresa Kennedy, David Landis, Brandi Loch, Elizabeth Siblerud, Deann Willcut

Staff present: Sandy Cade (Early Prevention/Intervention Program Manager), Amy McDonald (Recorder)

Guest present: Samantha Florey, Jamie Palagi

Montana Children's Trust Fund (MT CTF) Board Meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by staff, Sandy Cade.

No public comment was made.

Sandy Cade facilitated introductions for Board members and guests present.

Sandy Cade called for changes or edits to the draft Oct 5-6 MT CTF Board Meeting minutes. No changes or edits were made. An oral vote was taken. Minutes were accepted as written unanimously.

Discussion held around listening sessions. Board members can create a list of agencies and providers they would like to hear more about and send to Sandy Cade (scade@mt.gov). Staff will also create a list and facilitate scheduling monthly listening sessions for the board members.

Samantha Florey presented an orientation to the Community Based Child Abuse Prevention (CBCAP) grant funding.

Brief discussion about tribal programs and questions regarding leveraged funds was brought up.

Discussion was held about Children's Trust Fund working more closely with Child and Family Services and collaborating with the parent advisory group, Connected Voices for Montana Children.

Montana Children's Trust Fund is currently in a time of transition. Discussion was held regarding the strategic plan and how grantees are evaluated.

Events for Strengthening Families Month (April) were reviewed. Board is encouraged to reach out to staff if they would like pinwheels.

April 1: Go Blue Campaign begins – celebrated all month

April 7: Pinwheels for Prevention with proclamation at capital in Helena, MT

April 12-14: Prevent Child Abuse and Neglect (PCAN) conference

*Board will be meeting on March 18th to review nominations for awards

April 24: Blue Sunday

Discussion was held around mini-grants and requesting submissions. Motion was made to request submissions. An oral vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

Nominations for Chair were held. David Landis was nominated and accepted the nomination. Motion was made to elect David Landis as Chair. An oral vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

The next MT CTF board meeting will be next month, involving a combination of strategic planning discussion along with listening sessions with potential community partners.

Chair David Landis adjourned the meeting at 12:21 pm.

