**Lamoille Family Center Board of Directors**

**Minutes**

**Wednesday, February 26, 2020 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.**

ATTENDEES: Marilyn May (Interim Chair), Floyd Nease (ED), Cajsa Schumacher (Treas.), Eileen Paus, Sandy Paquette, Adam Lory, Reeva Murphy, Julia Skonicki (DD-Minutes)

ABSENT: Brenda Christie (Secretary), Cat Gallagher, Kerrie Johnson

1. Marilyn called the meeting to order at 5:14
2. Reeva moved to approve the Minutes from 1/22/2020 and Cajsa seconded the motion. The Board unanimously approved the motion.
3. Marilyn thanked Eileen (and Jodi) for their testimony at the Appropriations hearing
4. Election of interim Vice Chair – item tabled for next meeting
5. Christmas week off as a benefit for staff
   1. Floyd proposed giving the staff the week of Christmas off. This has happened the past two years because there isn’t a lot happening anyway that week. Folks need a rest after Holiday Project and the stressful time of year.
   2. The Board discussed the idea; they recommended making the decision year to year rather than making it a permanent benefit.

6. Executive Director Report

* 1. Floyd discussed documents around the Board roles and code of ethics shared by Cat. He will scan and send this electronically to the Board.
  2. Floyd explained Healthy Lamoille Valley to the Board
* HLV is a prevention coalition - LFC used to be their fiscal agent but has now absorbed as one of our programs (their staff is eligible for benefits and paid through us; their admin funding can help fund LFC.) Their primary mission is to prevent youth substance misuse through education of parents, youth, families, town policy makers, the community, etc..
* Floyd shared about their current big DFC grant (5 years, $125K a year), youth group, Steering Committee, upcoming events, etc. The workload around the grant is heavy and is a stressor on the Business office right now, hoping to level out after the first year.
* Dr. from Colorado is giving a talk to prepare parents and youth about impact of commercial marijuana. If people bring their youth, it’s only recommended for junior high and up. Tues 3/10 6-8 - GMTCC and Wed 3/11 6-8 – Stowe Library; 3/11 9-12 – GMSS for Providers
  1. Legislative Update:
* CIS funding is a priority for legislature this year. They are also talking about one-time funding for PCCs.
  1. DULCE
* Leaving us with a deficit – CHSLV agreed to fund this this year. An expert from CSSP doesn’t think we can fully fund it through Medicaid, but we’re looking into it.
* Cajsa recommended that they collect data as they go – people are interested on a national level.
* Floyd said that CSSP is looking for a DULCE Central. Chapin Hall hired Karen Garbarino to collect data on the families.
* Floyd recommended that Carol Lang-Godin visit the Board to share more.
  1. Leadership Goals: Floyd shared goals that the Leadership Team recently created:
* CIS - collaborate with CHT and CHSLV
* YAYA - improve data around RBA
* HLV - many goals – they plan to continue meeting these DFC goals
* Staff – trainings around sensitivity to LGBTQ, CPR, and mental health stigma
* PCC – joining Federation Network and train all staff in National Standards
* LFC – open to collaborative conversations
* Legislature – work toward increasing funding

7. Development Update

a. Spring Fling for the Family Center – March 14 from 7-10 – We need your help spreading the word and securing an attendance. The first year is always the hardest to get people to attend, so it’s really imperative that our LFC folks strongly encourage your friends, family and coworkers to attend. See Julia if you’d like to volunteer that night.

b. Town Meeting is approaching – if you attend Town Meeting and you’re willing to stand up and talk about LFC should the need arise, Julia has “scripts” for you.

c. Annual Appeal – We are wrapping up our Annual Appeal. We would really like to have 100% Board participation. Thanks in advance to those who will donate and thanks to those who already have. The Board suggested we send handwritten thank you notes again like last year. Julia will have the list available at the April meeting.

1. Other Business

a. Cajsa suggested creating an emergency plan of action (esp with CoronaVirus on the horizon). The Leadership Team will first discuss and then will meet with the Cajsa.

**Next Meeting Wednesday, March 25, 2020**