

QUARTERLY MEETING MINUTES

DCBS COMMISSIONER AND CRP CHAIRS

July 26, 2017

Attendees: Lisa Gabbard, Co-Chair Statewide, Brian Dufresne, Southern Bluegrass, Shannon Moody, Jefferson, Rachael Ratliff, LaToya Vaughn, Jessica Fletcher and Commissioner Adria Johnson.

CRP Annual Report

The annual report has been submitted and the Cabinet is appreciative of the panel member's efforts throughout the year. Panel representatives provided information on the tasks their respective panels undertook the previous year.

Expansion into new regions – LaToya Vaughn and Rachael Ratliff

Exploratory group of various panel members conducted study and recommended expansion of the CRP to more regions within DCBS map. This will provide more accurate representation and hopefully stimulate new membership. The regions of future expansion are: The Lakes, Two Rivers and Eastern Mountain. CRPs will also be present in Jefferson and Southern Bluegrass service regions.

CRP's request input for potential future topics prior to their August retreat

Commissioner requested meaningful real life experiences for panel members. Rachael will staff with DPP leadership and look to see if there are facilities that would allow members to visit and tour. Rachael and DCBS leadership will look into attendance at external panel for members. Members sign confidentiality agreements so are they able to attend? Discuss with Gretchen, Michelle and Pam about those options. Look into AOC and their opportunities as well as court, Citizen Foster Care Review Board, etc.

Commissioner asked about panel membership and discussed challenges in recruitment and retention. Do the panels have a hard time keeping members and are there themes amongst the panels? There have been some challenges as membership was reviewed based upon time frames and it was discovered some members had been on since the inception of CRP in Kentucky. Panel chairs continue to network and make recommendations for new panel members.

Commissioner wants to ensure that the panels are continually engaged in the efforts of the Cabinet and appreciated that the panels participated in the CFSR debrief. We need to continue to look for and offer ways for the panel members to be involved in the various systems surrounding CPS. Rachael will staff with Branch Manager, Asst. Director and provide opportunities that can be approved through leadership. Some options identified are FCRB, AOC activities, FAIR teams, Detention facilities, external panel, residential placements, SIAC and RIACs if possible.