



Clark County Department of Family Services
Community Partnerships Workgroup
Minutes for April 19, 2016

Present

Jocelyn Bluitt-Fisher, DFS
Robin Roberts, DFS
Denise Parker, QPI
Shelia Parks, CASA

Agenda for 4/19/16

Review of minutes from 3/15/16
Workgroup Co-Leads
Upcoming Events
Gaps in Services for Foster Parents
Other Discussion

Meeting minutes from 4/19/16

Review of minutes from last meeting

- The meeting minutes from 3/15/16 were approved without changes.

Workgroup Co-Leads

- Community Partnerships Workgroup Co-Leads Denise Tanata-Ashby and Leslie Murdock have both resigned. Both would like to continue to be informed of the workgroup's activities and have committed to continuing to support the workgroup's efforts.
- Several names were suggested to serve as new co-leads for the committee. All suggested names would be approached and asked if they would like to serve in a leadership role for the workgroup.

Upcoming Events

- The committee was briefed on the following upcoming events:
 - PCANV is hosting two community events in recognition of Child Abuse Awareness Month – April 30 at Container Park
 - DFS will be hosting a Night at the Museum event for foster families on April 23 at the Discovery Children's Museum.

- DFS is planning to host an appreciation event in May to celebrate Foster Care Awareness month and to show our appreciation for our foster families. The event details will be announced in the May Caregiver Courier.

Gaps in Services for Foster Families

- This discussion was postponed until the next workgroup meeting when more workgroup members would be present.

Other Discussion

- The workgroup members would like to discuss the Normalcy initiative, the coordination of family supports systems in our community, and the 2016 Back to School event at the next meeting. These items will be added to the May agenda.

Next Meeting – May 17, 2016

DFS Central located at 121 S. Martin Luther King Blvd