



Clark County Department of Family Services
Community Partnerships Workgroup
Minutes for May 17, 2016

Present

Robin Roberts, DFS
Denise Parker, QPI
Kevin MacDonald, CPE
Greg Holloway, FPC

Agenda for 5/17/16

Review of minutes from 5/17/16
Workgroup Co-Leads
Upcoming Events
 Night at the Museum
 Foster Parent Appreciation
Gaps in Services for Foster Parents
 Educational Support
 After school - School break activities
 Back to school event
Other Discussion

Meeting minutes from 5/17/16

Review of minutes from last meeting

- The meeting minutes from 4/19/16 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. Continued the discussion from last month announcing that Jocelyn Bluitt has resigned. We need to identify new co-leads and members. Each member is to reach out the community for our next meeting to invite participants.

Upcoming Events

- The committee was briefed on the following upcoming events:
 - The **Night at the Museum** event for foster families originally scheduled for April 23 has been postponed because the rental agreement needs to be reviewed and approved by the legal department.
 - DFS hosted an appreciation event in May at the Springs Preserves. The families enjoyed a fun-filled ice cream festival! Special thanks to the administrators at the Springs Preserves who sold us tickets to the events at a discount.

Gaps in Services for Foster Families

- Educational support – The group discussed the need for tutoring supports and for a process to transition students' belongings when they transfer schools. The group will request that Shelia Parks, Elizabeth Ham and Leslie Murdock join us to have a more in-depth conversation at the next meeting.
- Coordination of family support systems in our community – It was suggested that we bring the survey to the next meeting so we can look at any gaps in services that still may exist.

Other Discussion

Next Meeting – June 21st, 2016

DFS Central located at 121 S. Martin Luther King Blvd