

Agenda- Combined QPI Subcommittee

February 8, 2019

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This meeting happens every 2nd Friday from 9:30-10:30

Attendance- Kathy McHan, Liz Stetson, Kelli Weishaupt, Dixie Jeffers, Lori Nichols, Veronica Hagen, Stacy Peters, Kimberly Schmelling, Caroll Ann Adams, Kevin Quint

Business-

1. Comfort Calls – Elko have had 7 placements since started. Have done comfort calls and informal Icebreaker. FP feel this has helped and are positive about this change. Fallon/ Fernley have had 3 placements, have had CC and IB for all three, these went well, good feedback from the workers and the foster parents.
2. Ice Breakers – good feedback so far, from workers and from Foster parents. There have been a few in Fernley/ Fallon, and an informal one in Elko.
3. Caregiver Courier – Good feedback from caseworkers and foster parents on the courier so far. The next issue will have information from Kevin about AFC, as well as the new social media policy. In addition, it will include the dates for the next licensing trainings in Winnemucca (3/22-24) and Pahrump (4/12-14).
 - a. Kim would like the fliers for Winnemucca so she can distribute at community meetings coming up. Kim would like to try to get some panel discussions set up at rotary meetings etc end of March so that they can help with recruitment efforts – Kathy will help with this.
 - b. Kathy would like to include information about things like concealed carry in the upcoming issues, she will email Dixie about these things and get her feedback/ what is in statute.
 - c. Carroll Ann was excited to see that there was a spot on the news this morning about the upcoming training in Fallon.

4. Feedback from Foster parents – Kathy talked to all fp in Ely, all were thrilled about CC and IB. They have been doing some informal stuff the past few years but are glad about the changes and the direction we are going. Liz had similar experience talking to fp's in Fernley/ Fallon/ Yerington areas.
5. Ideas Moving Forward –
 - a. continue with IB and CC. Lori wondering when they will be starting in the rest of the state, how this process will happen. Will probably start at the beginning of the next quarter if things in the other two regions continue to go well. The only thing that is difficult right now is finding the best way to track data and analyze it in a meaningful way (Liz is playing with Excel and Access to see if one of those will suit the need).
 - b. Who is going to the National QPI conference? Is there funding for multiple people? – Liz and Kathy will follow up on this with Betsey and get the info out. What about the National Foster Parent Association Conference in Anaheim? Kathy was told there is likely more funding for this because it is closer, and the cost is not so significant – will follow up on this as well.
 - c. There is also the North American Council on Adoptable Children Conference in Vegas in July

Next meeting will be March 8th at 9:30am