

OPEN MEETING MINUTES

Name of Governmental Body: Children and Youth Committee of the Wisconsin Council on Mental Health			Attending: Amy Polsin, Phyllis Greenberger, Jason Cram, Phillip Robinson, Inshirah Farhoud, Andrea Turtenwald, Tim Peerenboom, Kimberlee Coronado, Rick Immler, Monique Hicks, Anne Larson, Reuben Westmaas, Tricia Monroe, Ann Kelley-Kuemichel, Laura Newman, Heidi Roettger, Amanda Parker, Peggy Helm-Quest
Date: 10/7/2021	Time Started: 12:30	Time Ended: 2:30	
Location: Zoom			Presiding Officer: Amy Polsin and Phyllis Greenberger
Minutes			

1: Call to Order

- Members were welcomed and everyone introduced themselves. Amy Polsin read the meeting guidelines.
- Kimberlee Coronado made a motion to approve the August 5, 2021 minutes and Amy Polsin seconded. The minutes were approved with no corrections. Rick Immler abstained.
- The next meeting is scheduled for December 2, 2021 and will be held virtually via zoom.
- Announcements:
 - o Monique Hicks shared the draft schedule for 2022. Kimberlee Coronado suggested adding this to the December meeting to discuss.
 - o Andrea Turtenwald announced that Office of Children’s Mental Health worked with Department of Public Instruction on a new mental health literacy curriculum. Currently recruiting district employees to implement in districts. <https://dpi.wi.gov/sspw/mental-health/framework/universal-practices/literacy>
 - o Amy Children Come First Conference will be held November 15, 2021. https://wisconsinfamilyties.salsalabs.org/ccf21-event/index.html?eType=EmailBlastContent&eId=d3fbb0c1-a17f-4e85-8d85-ba29d6d2adb3&sl_tc=CCF21
 - o Kimberlee Coronado announced that October 8, 2021 is the Lives in the Balance Conference. <https://livesinthebalance.org/workshops-and-trainings/>
- Public comment - No public comment.

2: Report from the September Council Meeting

Inshirah Farhoud shared an update from the September council meeting which included a presentation about the state mental health facilities. Rick Immler added information about the Mental Health Block Grant and the work of the Access and Equity Workgroup, Bureau of Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery, and the impacts of the limitation of funding for prevention efforts. The council continues to learn from various organizations about impacts of mental health through virtual presentations.

3: School safety discussion

Phyllis Greenberger summarized the presentations from 2021 related to school safety and conversations about school resource officers (SRO’s) thus far. The group discussed learning more about what youth need/want perhaps through a listening session and how we are defining safety to include emotional and physical safety, basic needs, family challenges, and the importance of building trusting relationships between youth and adults. There was discussion about training, the structure of partnerships with school districts, SRO practice standards across districts, counties, municipalities that relate to responses, training, pay, etc.

There was conversation about how the group might proceed. It was noted that one of the priorities of the committee was to “Eliminate the use of seclusion in all school settings”.

The following resources were shared:

<https://wisconsinwatch.org/2021/09/wisconsin-schools-called-police-on-students-at-twice-the-national-rate/>

DPI's SRO resources- <https://dpi.wi.gov/sspw/safe-schools/school-resource-officers>

Wisconsin Department of Justice School Safety Framework regarding SRO best practices (pgs. 40-41 of PDF (30-31 printed on page): https://www.doj.state.wi.us/sites/default/files/school-safety/WI_School_Safety_framework.pdf

Literacy Bill: <https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/2021/related/proposals/sb454>

4: Discussion and next steps

1. Define safety including physical and mental health.
2. Learn more about best practices for school safety from Bazelon and DPI. Invite the council and other committee members.
3. Focus on implementation of best practices for school safety and SRO practice (selection, training, scope of SRO's, MOU's, etc.)

5: Summary of Action Items + December 2, 2021 Meeting Agenda

- Discuss 2022 schedule including what to focus on the and the best meeting structure to support that.
- Presentation about best practices in schools safety.

6: Adjourn

Phyllis Greenberger made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Amy Polsin seconded. Meeting adjourned.

Prepared by: Monique Larson Hicks on 10/7/2021.

These minutes are in final form. They were presented for approval by the governmental body on: 12/2/2021