Idaho Children’s Trust Fund Board Meeting  
April 29, 2019

In attendance: Jen Haddad, Richard Jurvelin, Roger Sherman, Alex Zamora, Shannon Dunstan, Janet Goodliffe, Sarah Leeds

On phone: Brenda Stanley, Jeanette Moody

Absent: Jill Andrus, Cheryl George

Called to order: 9:03 am, brief intros

9:15 Board education: Federal Funding and Programs Update Reauthorization of Titles I and II of the CAPTA/Family First/Possible Prevention Plan-
Mr. Sherman and Ms. Haddad were at the National Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect (NCCAN) and have been hearing a larger message from the federal government about shifting focus upstream to the prevention end of the spectrum. Also, ICTF is part of the child welfare/wellbeing system. We need to shift the understanding that child welfare is all of us, not just Dept of Health and Welfare and the things that happen after we fail to keep kids safe.

Dr. Amelia Frank-Meyer- the need for human belonging, number one most stressful event is death of a parent, followed closely by separation from a parent. We know this and still perpetuate family separation. She emphasized a shift in thinking from “We are keeping kids safe from their families” to “helping families to keep kids safe”

CAPTA Reauthorization is likely to happen this year. Current proposals call for increasing the budget up to $1 billion over the next 5 years. This would be a substantial increase from the current appropriation of $39 million.

ACTION STEP: Mr. Sherman met with staff from Representatives Fulcher and Simpson’s offices when he was in DC. Board members are interested in meeting with local offices.

Family First update: Family First is an attempt to use IV-E money to move child welfare services upstream into secondary prevention. Mr. Sherman sits on the Visioning Council which was created to figure out family first implementation in Idaho and he chairs the subcommittee of this group that focuses on prevention.

Ms. Haddad volunteered to provide board education at a future meeting on kincare and its impact on children and families.

10:15- Consent agenda
Staff reports out of the consent agenda to go over them separately
M/S/C Ms. Goodliffe/Mr. Jurvelin

Child Abuse Prevention month review –
We had a successful month of activities throughout the state and the Blue Thumbs Up campaign extended our reach throughout the state. Following up, the board proposed:

- Send a thank you note to Governor Little and do something on his facebook page
Do a facebook video on the thumbs up campaign and thank Idaho for participating and supporting Idaho children

Table at the farmer’s markets in April

Explore FB analytics to see about uptake from the Thumbs Up campaign

Add Stories of Hope next year to the thumbs up to move beyond the symbol

Provide pinwheel report for July

Do something every month of the year on Facebook to continue momentum.

(These proposals will be discussed more fully in July)

**Strengthening Families Training Institute Review**

Mr. Sherman reported that 225 people attended the event March 7th and 8th. Evaluations were overall very positive ranging from 4 to 5 for all workshops and plenaries. A suggestion to bring Jerry Milner, associate commissioner for the Children’s Bureau, to Idaho for next year’s conference was advanced.

**Working lunch**

A committee and process for performing the Executive Director performance review was established. Mr. Zamora will create a google survey to allow all members to participate in the review. A committee made up of Mr. Zamora, Ms. Haddad, Ms. Goodliffe, and Ms Leeds will review the surveys and conduct the review. As chairperson, Ms Leeds will meet with the Executive Director following the review.

**Budget Setting:** The board passed the budget as presented

M/S/C Ms. Goodliffe/Ms. Dunstan

**ICTF Board meeting and PCAA Site Visit, July** 22nd (board meeting) and half day on July 23rd (for beginning of PCAA site visit) Mr. Sherman states we need as many members of the board as possible to attend as we have grants to review, some planning and we want as many people as possible on the 23rd for the PCAA site visit. We will arrange for partners from around the state to speak on the phone including grantees.

**VISTA conversation,** Board discusses how to get partners to house and support VISTAs in other locations, perhaps assess grantees capacity and interest through the grant process.

**Annual Grant/Multiyear Grant-** reviewed Grant Outcomes summary

**Policy discussion-** Mr. Sherman briefly reviewed relevant legislative issues.

**Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned M/S/C Ms. Dunstan/Mr. Zamora at 2.55 pm