

# Decategorization Governance Board

O R A N G E C I T Y C L U S T E R  
CHEROKEE , LYON , PLYMOUTH and SIOUX Counties

Shane Walter - Chairperson

Nola Aalberts - Decat Coordinator

**“Security and success for children by strengthening families and communities.”**

## Minutes

February 22, 2007 • 10:30 a.m.

Upstairs Conference Room-DHS/County Building  
211 Central Ave SE-Orange City, IA

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### I. Welcome/Call to Order

Shane called the meeting to order and introductions were made. Those in attendance: Randy Bosch, David Van Ningen, Dan Watson, Shar Boone, Todd Wendt, Staff present: Nola Aalbert, Joy Poppema, Denise Brown, Guests present: Amy Holbrook,

### II. Review & Approve Minutes

Minutes from Jan. 24, 2007 were reviewed. Dan motioned to approve, Randy seconded, motion carried.

### III. Old Business

A. Nothing to discuss.

Nola distributed a non renewal letter received from Floyd Valley Hospital for their UA contract. The letter was accepted as information.

### IV. Decat/JJ Reports

#### A. DHS Update/Financial

A handout showing all of our current contracts and their amounts (does not include what has been spent) was distributed. Carryover to date is \$52,946, waiting for approval if these funds can be carried over to next year. There is \$106,000 from allocation that will be carried over. Information should be supplied by the end of February, regarding carryover and funding.

### V. FY 06-07 Program

#### A. Family Team Meeting Report

Stats from agencies: Bethany Chr Services, Plains Area and Hope Haven were reviewed. Family Solutions and Child Connect are also available for Family Team meetings.

#### B. Parent Partners Report

Nola asked for approval of \$2,500 for CPPC funds to allocate to the Parent Partners Program. Our fiscal agent is the Lakes Area. David made a motion to approve the \$2500 budget, Randy seconded, motion carried. Amy Holbrook shared her experience and the challenges of the Parent Partners program regarding case workers being on board and appropriate mentors to match with families. Her office is in Le Mars DHS. The majority of funding for this program comes from Empowerment because of the target population of 0-5 and first time removal children.

## **VI. FY06-07 Contract**

### **A. Family Specific**

There is a need to increase the funds by \$5,000.00. David made a motion to approve the \$5,000 for Family Specific. Shar seconded, motion carried.

### **B. Planning Councils**

There is a need to increase these funds by \$20,000.00. These funds are divided equally between the four counties. David made a motion to increase the Planning Council funds by \$20,000.00. Dan seconded the motion, motion carried.

## **VII. FY 07 Allocation**

### **A. JCS/Decat Funds**

#### **1. Planning Council Proposals**

- a. Jackson Recovery-Cherokee \$600
- b. Central Lyon Title 1 Reading \$2000 CPPC funds
- c. Rock Rapids Summer Enrichment Prog \$2,000 Decat
- e. Rock Rapids Kids Club \$500.00 Decat
- f. LeMars Community School Liaison \$1,900 Decat-JCS
- g. Gehlen Catholic School \$2,500.00 Decat

David made a motion to approve the above proposals, Randy seconded. Motion carried.

- h. CL-GLR Decat \$1,000 there outcomes were received.

Randy made a motion to approve the CL-GLR funding of \$1,000, David seconded, motion carried.

## **VIII. Comprehensive Strategies**

**A. Childcare Advisory** –meeting next month, very active. This committee is looking at ways to improve quality in preschool over the next three years. There will be an ICN discussion on the universal preschool bill Feb 26<sup>th</sup> in Sioux Center. Todd commented that they way the bill is put together it is not advantageous to the counties.

**B. Parent Advisory** –suggested moving forward with Parent Partners.

## **IX. Board Meeting Time & Place**

Discussion regarding change of meeting. Consensus is the second Tuesday's of the month at 1:00pm. Next meeting April 10<sup>th</sup>, location to be decided.

## **X. New Business**

### **A. Opportunities for board & public to bring up new items for discussion**

Becoming a Love & Logic Parent Results and Al's Pal's quarterly reports were distributed for review.

The PEM committee's revised goals and targets were distributed. David reported that the current plan was repackaged with all the principals in tact in an effort to make it easier to read and follow. Goals and targets were combined while keeping the contents of all of these in target. The priorities set by Planning Councils were used in modifying the plan. Percentages and timeline will need to be adjusted.

Nola commented that the Hinton teens will have a representative to inform the Board of the progress made with their funding.

**XI. Next Meeting** - April 10, 2007 at :1:00 p.m. location to be determined.

## **XII. Adjourn**