



CAMI Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

CVSD Conference Room, Suite 150B (Lower Level)
Tuesday July 28th, 2015, 1:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Committee Members present: Kevin Barton, Staci Heintzman-Yutzie, Elizabeth Heskett-Bouressa, Tina Morgan, Tammy Pitzen, Shelly Smith, Matt Shirtcliff, and Kirstin Heydel

CVSD DOJ Staff Present: Robin Reimer, Shannon Sivell, and Sherree Rodriguez

Committee Members absent: Stacey Ayers, Wendi Steinbronn

Welcome and Introductions

Robin opened the meeting at 1:00 pm with a welcome and introductions.

Minutes

The minutes for the May meeting were approved.

Regional Service Provider and Network Update

Tammi presented the Oregon Network report. Shelly submitted the Regional Service Provider report in writing. Please see attachments of both for details.

DOJ and CAMI Update

Robin shared that CVSD is short two full time grant specialists, looking to fill those positions and Mike Maryanov is on vacation.

Site visits – Robin and Shannon have recently conducted site visits to Curry, Wasco and Hood River Counties. Tammi attended the Curry County visit and has arranged to partner with them to assist with technical issues. The MDT Coordinator is working 30 hours per week.

Wasco County does not have a Child Abuse Intervention Center (CAIC) or an agreement with one. Hood River does not have the capacity to absorb Wasco into their case load. Wasco is currently working to develop a response within the county. One possibility is to use Wasco as a pilot site for telemedicine.

The visit with Hood River included time spent with the Deputy District Attorney, the Forensic Interviewer and the Executive Director.

Prioritizing Funding to a Center

In the council review that occurred in May, it became clear that eight counties do not meet the statutory directive (ORS 418.784) that the CAMI program is charged with developing and administering a grant program to establish and maintain community assessment centers. It has become apparent that four counties (Wasco, Grant, Tillamook and Jefferson) had placed a funding emphasis on full time employees (FTE); four other counties (Morrow, Gilliam, Wallowa and Baker) had placed an emphasis on training. The AC recently communicated with the counties in question, advising those with FTE emphasis they



will be required to be in full compliance by the next biennium. They advised those with training emphasis they must come into full compliance immediately.

Baker County DA, Matt Shirtcliff made the necessary adjustments in the CAMI grant amount to come into compliance by increasing funding to both Mt. Emily and the center in Baker.

Morrow County DA, Justin Nelson, requested a conversation with the CAMI AC to discuss his concerns. Robin created a document summarizing the situation, attached. DA Nelson called in to the meeting and expressed his concerns as reflected in the report. After a discussion with the Advisory Council, though still reluctant to increase the amount of funding to Mt Emily, he agreed to continue the conversation with Matt Shirtcliff to try and work out a compromise.

Matt Shirtcliff made a motion to ask Morrow County to contribute no less than \$15,000 each of the next two years toward the CAIC and then to be fully compliant with the statute by the next CAMI session. Tina Morgan seconded the motion, which passed¹.

The AC asked Robin to provide more information regarding Gilliam and Wallowa Counties in order to determine a fair course of action for them.

ACTIONS:

Matt Shirtcliff will continue a phone conversation with Justin Nelson in an attempt to obtain a workable solution to bring Morrow County into line with the CAMI statute requirements.

Robin will communicate with the Center Directors in question to ensure they are in agreement to receive additional funds and understand the situation clearly.

Robin will provide additional information regarding Gilliam and Wallowa Counties budgets to the AC. They will then determine a course of action for those counties to help bring them into compliance in a workable fashion.

Robin will draft a letter to the four other counties with FTE emphasis to advise them of the requirement for full compliance by the next biennium. Copies will be sent to Center Directors.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 PM.

Next meeting scheduled Monday, October 27th, 1:00 to 4:00pm

¹ Upon review of the Morrow County budget following the meeting, this amount was adjusted to \$10,000 each year for the next two years to meet the intent of the AC. The AC approved by email. Morrow County agreed and executed a new contract with Mt. Emily.