

The Brantley County Family Connection Meeting Minutes

The Brantley County Family Connection (BCFC) Collaborative conducted their monthly meeting on Friday, April 12, 2024 at 1:00pm in person at the ARK Center and via Zoom. There were 18 members present, 8 in person and 10 via Zoom.

Executive Director Dawn Deen called the meeting to order, welcoming everyone. Partners were asked to introduced themselves.

Dawn Deen reminded partners that everyone has a voice at the table and can make a motion and voice their opinion on agenda items.

Old Business

Approval of the March 8, 2024 Collaborative and Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Renee' Martin made a motion for the March 8, 2024 Collaborative and Board of Directors Meeting Minutes to be approved as submitted. Traci Carter seconded the motion; all in favor with none opposed, the motion stands approved.

Approval of the March 2024 BCFC Finance Report

Michelle Hinds made a motion for the March 2024 BCFC Finance Report be approved as submitted. Pam McGauley seconded the motion; all in favor with none opposed, the motion stands approved.

Thank you to Satilla Advocacy Services for providing lunch!

New Business

Guest Speaker, Latoshia Kirksey, Satilla Advocacy Services

Satilla Advocacy Services provides rape crisis intervention, victim advocacy, and prevention education programs in Bacon, Brantley, Charlton, Coffee, Pierce, and Ware Counties. Currently they are gearing up for Rev It Up 4 Kids event Saturday, April 13, 2024 from 11am – 3pm at the Waycross Fairgrounds. Admission is free of charge. There will be fire trucks, helicopters, tractors, monster trucks, race cars, and much more for the kids to walk around and look at. There will be first responders, K9, and the S.W.A.T. team for them to interact with.

**March 2024 Directors Report*

Dawn Deen reported that the March 2024 Directors Report is attached to the meeting packet for your review.

**FY24 2nd Quarter Report*

Dawn Deen stated that the FY24 2nd Quarter Report was submitted to Clix on January 10th. The fully executed report is attached to your meeting packet for your records but wanted to highlight the in-kind value for March was \$32,688.

**FY25 Budget*

Dawn Deen reported that the final approved budget for Fiscal Year 2025 is attached for your records. This budget has been approved by the Board of Directors and Georgia Family Connection Partnership and reflects the increase by Georgia Legislatures of \$56,250.

**FY25 Annual Operating Plan*

Dawn Deen stated that the final approved FY25 Annual Operating Plan is attached for your records. The plan has been submitted in to Clix and approved by the Board of Directors and Georgia Family Connection Partnership.

**Georgia Family Connection Partnership Conference, Save the Date*

Dawn Deen reported that Georgia Family Connection Partnership Conference will be held October 2nd through October 4th, 2024 at the Lanier Islands Legacy Lodge and Conference Center in Buford, Georgia. Registration details will be coming in the Spring.

**April AV Club Slide for High School TV's*

Dawn Deen stated that the April AV slide was attached to the emailed meeting packet.

**MOU with Magnolia House*

Dawn Deen reported that a copy of the MOU with Magnolia House for Resilient Georgia Partnership is attached for your records.

**Micro Grant Request Form, Resilient Georgia/Magnolia House*

Dawn Deen reported that Magnolia House is offering Micro-Grants in the amount of \$3,000. The application for BCFC is attached to your meeting packet. She tried to include all the suggestions received from the Board of Directors in the application.

FY25 OATH MOU with Southeast Health District

Dawn Deen reported that OATH and the Southeast Health District has partnered through an MOU to provide a Peer Support Specialist, Sarah Jumper, part time at the OATH Office.

***OATH Navigators Report, 02/21/2024 – 03/19/2024**

Dawn Deen stated the navigators report is attached to the meeting packet. She highlighted that two clients were placed in permanent housing, sponsors are needed for the Meal Train, and there are now six volunteers assisting in the office.

Strategy Team Development

Dawn Deen reported that in the next few months she is going to be reaching out to board and collaborative members to serve on a strategy team. The strategy team will not replace the Board of Directors, it will meet monthly to look at and assess current and future programs and activities to ensure the strategy in the Annual Operating Plan is being met. Any and all changes will continue to be approved by the Board of Directors.

Any Other New Business/Partner Updates

Dawn Deen stated that partner flyers and newsletters are emailed each Friday. If you have a local event that you would like to share submit your flyers and/or information to Dawn Deen at bcfcdawndeem@gmail.com.

Chelsea Owens, Savannah Technical College

Legislation closed with setting a \$10 million dollar pre-k budget that is lottery funded allowing Georgia public schools collect money for their Pre-K programs. Since Covid-19 there has been a decrease in Pre-K students.

Traci Carter, Brantley/Charlton DFCS

It is Child Abuse and Prevention Month. There are blue pin wheels throughout the community. The blue pinwheel is the National symbol for prevention.

Michelle Hinds, Brantley County Board of Education

The Heron Hustle has been rescheduled for April 27th. April 27th is also Drug Take Back Day.

Dawn Deen, Brantley County Family Connection

Father ~ Daughter set up is today, Friday, April 12th at 3:30pm at the middle school. The event is Saturday, April 13th from 6-9pm if any that has not sign up would like to volunteer.

The next Brantley County Family Connection Collaborative Meeting will be Friday, May 10, 2024 at 1pm at the ARK Center, 10305 Main Street North, Nahunta, Georgia 31553 and via Zoom.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned.

Michelle Hinds made a motion to adjourn the April 12, 2024 Brantley County Family Connection Collaborative meeting. Shannon Murray seconded the motion; all in favor with none opposed, the motion stands approved and the meeting was adjourned.

*Included in meeting packet.

Friday, April 12, 2024
BCFC Collaborative Zoom Chat

13:01:15 From Ferst Readers to Everyone:

Hey! Michelle Maddox, Ferst Readers, michelle@ferstreaders.org

13:01:15 From PatrickWoodward to Everyone:

Patrick Woodward LIFE, Inc

13:01:18 From GA to Everyone:

Georgia Hadley- Positive Behavior Supports Corp.

13:01:22 From Latoshia kirksey to Everyone:

Latoshia Kirksey Satilla Advocacy Services

13:01:35 From misty to Everyone:

Misty Strickland, MSW with Hospice Satilla misty.strickland@hospicesatilla.com

13:01:36 From Renee Martin to Everyone:

Renee Martin- Ok RESA

13:02:05 From Emily Allen to Everyone:

Emily Allen-Southeast Health District

13:05:24 From Traci Carter to Everyone:

Traci Carter-Brantley DFCS 912-390-2366 traci.carter@dhs.ga.gov