Williamson County Child Welfare Board Minutes for the April 12, 2011 Meeting

Members Present: Dianne Howell, Pat Herff, Melba Kemble, Susan Komandosky, Paulette McConchie, Carolyn Miller, Jami Nelson, Vanessa Nothnagel, Celia Ortiz, Judy Pearson, Rochelle Hall-Schwarz

Members Absent: Debra Hobbs*, Sara Naylor (*proxies received)

Guests Present: Charlotte Rosenbaum

Staff Present: Kim Gibbons

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: by Dianne Howell at 12:12 p.m.

STAFF REPORT: Kim asked if the board would be interested in hearing what CASA is currently doing. She also said Investigations is picking up a lot of children but many children are being moved into the adoptions unit.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: started at 12:18 p.m. Out of Executive Session at 12:32 p.m.

ACTION REQUIRED BY EXECUTIVE SESSION: Carolyn made a motion to approve the reports with the request for car seats moved from special to donated, and the request for Philip left pending until further information can be provided. Rochelle seconded; motion carried. (copies attached).

MINUTES: The minutes of the March meeting were approved as presented.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Jami handed out the treasurer's report (copies attached). She cashed out the CD and placed the money in the checking account for the time being. The raffle expenses were reimbursed from the raffle account.

OLD BUSINESS:

Fundraising/Raffle: Paulette handed out a report on the raffle. The net income was \$12,562.79 (copy attached). There are still some funds outstanding from ticket sales and raffle items. Paulette said of the 156 tickets sold approximately 100 were sold in Taylor. She asked how the other towns could be better solicited. Dianne said the larger the town, the harder it is to sell tickets. There was a discussion of advertising the event.

Paulette shared some possible dates for next year. She suggested that it be held the last weekend in February. The consensus of the group was to hold the event Feb. 25. She also said the price of rental for the KC Hall is also probably going to go up.

Carolyn made a motion that workers be paid to a maximum of \$725. Melba seconded; motion carried. Workers to be paid: auctioneer, his wife and JoLynn \$200 each; helpers \$25 each.

Update Volunteer Hours: Dianne passed the list for everyone to enter hours.

NEW BUSINESS:

Budget Requests for 2011-2012: Dianne said the county is already asking for budget requests for the upcoming budget year to be turned in by the end of April. Kim said that she thinks there is going to be an increase in the need for county-funded drug testing next year as compared to this year. There was a discussion of various expenses and whether funds need to be moved or additional funds requested. Carolyn made a motion that this year's

budget be amended to move \$15,000 from drug testing to clothing. Melba seconded; motion carried.

Funding Request Submitted to RRWC: Dianne and Jami submitted a fund request to the Round Rock Women's Club for \$2000, but do not yet know if we will receive it.

Rainbow Room: Pat said that she needs more room in the Georgetown Raindrop room. It has become quite crowded. Susan asked about a source for the "blue bags" since the supply is running low. Dianne said she will check into that.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Regional Board Meeting Report: Susan gave a short report about the last meeting of the regional board. Pat volunteered to go to Belton and pick up additional give away items. Next meeting is Awards Day May 19.

Rainbow Room Responsibilities:

March: Jami/Pat/Susan April: Melba/Pat/Susan

Workers need to supply a list of needs for the Rainbow Room. Kim said that Tameka could check the room monthly and help supply a list of needs.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: May 10, 2011 in Georgetown.

Kim will get the information regarding the donation request for a gym membership for Philip and forward it to Dianne. Dianne will then take a board vote by e-mail.

Paulette asked about children aging out of the system. There is up to \$500 available to pay for utility deposits, etc. for a child. Kim will check on the need.

Paulette asked whether there were any vacancies on the Board at this time. There is one vacancy. Both Carolyn and Celia know of someone who is interested. Celia will contact Priscilla King about her interest in the board and if she is not interested at this time Carolyn will invite her person, Tracy Hays.

Carolyn said she needed to know what to do with prom dresses she has received. Kim said the event for prom clothing was held last weekend, but that no information regarding the need for dresses had been disseminated. They could be placed in the Rainbow Room or stored at home until next year.

MEETING ADJOURNED: at 1:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Komandosky Secretary