

Butler Collaborative for Families

July 11, 2019

- I. The meeting was called to order by Mandy and all members were asked to introduce themselves, after which John McCool recited our mission.
- II. Approval of June Meeting Minutes: Approval not asked for
- III. Celebration of Collaboration Picnic!!
 - a. A huge THANK YOU to Gary for driving to Cranberry to pick up the Chick-Fil-A chicken!
 - b. Business cards were drawn for a door prize - a basket of office supplies donated by Glenda. Mark Lane won the basket!
 - c. Kevin Boozel was present and read the Proclamation that was presented at the last Commissioners meeting. This is the twelfth annual Celebration of Collaboration and Kevin thanked everyone for the work that they do.
 - d. VOICE- hygiene items were collected at the Celebration of Collaboration and donated for VOICE to use at their emergency shelter. VOICE representatives thanked everyone for the donations and said that they will be of great use at the shelter. Donations made to VOICE are used at their emergency shelter, their housing units, and at their outpatient office. They also reminded everyone of an often -forgotten fact: the VOICE shelter is not just for women; it is for everyone regardless of gender! #funfact
 - e. Helping Butler County will be continuing to collect hygiene items for donation to VOICE at their drop-off locations in the community.
- IV. Mini-Grant Update
 - a. The Butler County Alliance for Children received the 2018 mini-grant and gave an update on what they did with the grant.
 - i. The grant was utilized primarily during Child Abuse Prevention Month (April) to distribute pinwheels and to promote the It's Your Turn to Make a Difference campaign. This campaign promotes making a healthy and supportive community and preventing child abuse and neglect.
 - ii. Bags containing educational information and resources for caregivers were also distributed.
 - iii. The Butler CAC is looking for committee members to help with next April's Child Abuse Prevention activities and campaign. Please contact Denna Hays at dhays@butlercounty.cac.org if you are interested in helping.
- V. Announcements
 - a. There will be no General Meeting in August. Meetings will resume as usual in September.
 - b. Please "like" our Facebook page!