



CARTF  
July 19, 2024  
Virtual

(V) Nadine McDonald, Juvenile Justice (Chairman)	(A) Jennifer Tachell– Educator (Vice-Chairman)
(V) Andie Blackwood- DHW, Family & Children Services	(V) Susan Bradford, MD – Pediatrician
(A) Lena Biondolillo- Children with Disabilities	OPEN- Child Advocate Attorney
(V) Sheila Sturgeon Freitas, PhD– Mental Health	(A) Hon. Steve Clark- Civil Magistrate Judge
(V) Curtis Carper- Law Enforcement	(V) Kyle Bringhurst- Prosecuting Attorney
(A) Maddi Aimes– Foster Youth	(V) Tahna Barton – CASA
(A) James Curb – Homeless Education Liaison	OPEN- Criminal Magistrate Judge
(V) Jill Robertson– Parent	(V) Joshua Wickard- Public Defender
(V) Susan Nalley– Victim Services Coordinator	(A) Teresa Vance- Administrator of the Courts
(V) Mindy Peper – Task Force Support	Indicates Absent (A) Virtual (V)

### Meeting Purpose

- Discuss budget for upcoming fiscal year starting October 1
- Provide updates on subcommittees and recruitment
- Discuss changes to annual calendar

### Key Takeaways

- Need to finalize and approve budget at September meeting
- Considering moving annual conference back to fall timeframe and hosting independently
- Several open task force positions need to be filled
- Major restructuring happening within Idaho Department of Health & Welfare child welfare programs

### Topics

#### May 2024 Minutes

Motion to approve the May 2024 minutes with noted change.

**Motion made by:** Kyle Bringhurst

Seconded by: Curtis Carper

**All in favor and so moved.**

#### Budget Discussion

- Total budget around \$140,000 for next fiscal year
- Major expenses: Mindy's salary, CFR team support, grants, annual conference
- Looking at reducing in-person meeting costs for CFR team to save money

- Potential \$100K funding from national CFR program could support strategic planning

### **Annual Conference**

- Feedback that CARTF's identity got lost partnering with larger conference recently
- Proposal to host CARTF's own conference again, possibly in fall 2025
- Would allow offering travel scholarships again
- Full conference recap planned for September meeting

### **Subcommittee Updates**

- MDT subcommittee working on survey
- Next grant cycle opens August 1
- Strategic Planning subcommittee hasn't met recently
- Considering rotating subcommittee membership to prevent burnout- will discuss in September

### **Open Positions**

- Child attorney and criminal magistrate judge seats open
- Potential candidate: Judge Brent Ferguson (Elmore County)
- Possibly need homeless youth/McKinney-Vento expert as James Curb has announced his retirement

### **Idaho DHW Restructuring**

- New name for child welfare division: Youth Safety & Permanency
- "Wildly Important Goal" (WIG) to increase foster home ratios in Idaho
- All DHW divisions creating goals to support this WIG

### **Next Steps**

- Mindy to send proposed budget to all for review before September
- Finalize and approve FY24 budget at September meeting
- Discuss subcommittee membership changes in September
- Identify candidates for open task force positions

### **Action Items**

- **Provide names of potential candidates for open CARTF positions**
- **Schedule strategic planning meeting with National Fatality Review Program and invite Nadine, Mindy, Andie and Autumn before September CARTF meeting**

- **Wickard will provide update on NACC conference at September 13th CARTF meeting**
- **September agenda will include: June conference report, NACC update, CFRT update, budget action item, subcommittee recruitment and changes**