 

**WCWPDS Steering Committee Meeting Notes**

Tuesday, April 5, 2022, from 1:00pm-4:30pm

**Discussion/Decision Items**

1. **Welcome & Introductions**

**Meeting Attendees**: Mika Makarovich (DMCPS), Fred Naatz (Grant County), Vicki Tylka (Marathon County), Mandy Stanley (Marquette County), Lisa Roberts (Waukesha County), Jeff Jazgar (Menominee Tribe), John Elliott (DCF), Becky Yang (DCF), Emily Erickson (DCF), Michelle Rawlings (DCF), Darin Smith (WCWPDS-Madison), Stephanie Reilly (WCWPDS-Madison), Julie Brown (WCWPDS-Milwaukee), Kris Korpela (Dunn County), Tania Cornelius (DCF), Teresa Kovach (Portage County), Nancy Ortegon-Johnson (Dane County), Shelby McCulley (DCF)

**Guests**: Lindsay Campbell-Ebben, Sam Kramer, Raj Kamal, Jenna Dunlap

**Overview of Agenda**

**Updates**

Staffing: WCWPDS-Madison has replaced an associate director position with Jennifer Heil who has been an outreach manager for PDS for the past 6 years. Ms. Heil will primarily be responsible for foundation training as well ongoing and youth justice trainings.

PDS has again elected to return to a primarily virtual method of delivery due to the increase in Covid cases currently being experienced. At such a time when case numbers are reduced and face to face training can be safely re-instituted we will begin offering select courses in that manner.

1. **New Worker Training Update**



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WiLearn is the new name decided upon by NWTP workgroup. Phasing out NWTP. DCF communications department working on Logo and branding for WiLearn. WiLearn on agenda for next town hall meeting and will be an institute at the Public Child Welfare Conference in September.

RFP & Knowledge Launch – KL awarded RFP. Contract started on March 1, 2022. Working with SME’s as we get ready to kick off development and design phases next week.

Framework & Format Overview

Supervisor Survey – Went over results of county survey related to WiLearn readiness. Overarching themes were counties ready for change but want to know expectations and supports.

1. **YJ Update**

YASI Coaching – Pilot of coaching training last year. Pilot coach cohort launched last year. 13 coaches from 10 counties. Have met for 7 3-hour sessions and each session has about 2 hours of homework required. Plan for long term is that every worker in state will have a coach they can reach out. At end of cohort will continue to have monthly phone calls and zoom sessions for support.

YASI Boosters – Strategic plan developed for providing YASI boosters on an annual ongoing basis throughout the state. County staff required to complete one PDS booster every 3 years. Supplemental Boosters utilizing coaches will occur more frequently. Will also offer county 1:1 refresher training with YASI master trainer if county needs additional support. eTraining and live chat with YASI Master trainer may also be part of booster cadre.

1. **Future Foundation Training Discussion**

Reviewed WiLearn course content and what current foundation trainings are included. DCF 43 requirements options. Group discuss possible track options dependent upon workers primary role. Present options in July.

1. **Director Supports**

What supports can be created by DCF/PDS in order to support directors in managing some of the challenges being faced. Forum with networking and learning opportunities for each other. Vicki/Lisa believes done somewhat done informally currently at Directors meetings. Recommendation to create a survey and send to directors to ascertain feedback regarding interest.

1. **Member Terms – OE Project Item**

Item was not included in discussion but members were asked to consider how long we think terms for this committee should be and how to stagger them. Potential term option limits. If still interested can still stay a part of committee. Potential 3-year obligation as time commitment.

**7. Key Messages from the 4/5/2022 Steering Committee Meeting**

* Name change for WiLearn
* WiLearn Framework & Format
* County Survey Results