

Wednesday was picking lollipops and winning gift cards, Thursday was the Agency Retreat and Friday was leftovers and ice pops. The Retreat went very well. There were team building events, morning trainers, and food. There was positive feedback on the event.

Manager Bartolai discussed the NBB meeting. Currently CAPs is the case management system that the agency uses. The agency's system needed to talk to the State CWIS system. There have been many glitches. The State is going to a Statewide casemanagement computer system. All aspects of Child Welfare to be included in the system. They put out an RFP for systems. They would like to roll this in FY 20-21. State money will no longer go into county data systems. With a new system, child welfare agencies can follow their families when they leave their current county. Florida has been doing a single system since 1987. In addition, another change expected is the caseload size from 30 cases to 20 cases per worker. Also Supervisors currently supervise 5 case carrying workers, but the new change is that Supervisors will supervise 4 case carrying workers. The agency would need to hire an additional 5 Supervisors.

Old Business

1. Member Scarnulis commented on the Retreat. He stated that it was nice to see smiling faces and he felt the committee did a great job.

New Business

1. Director Van Saun talked about unsafe sleep. The agency reviews all county child deaths. It was suggested that the county do public service announcements. The State suggested the agency reach out to media and Board Members. Maybe kids in college in drama classes could assist. Chairman Finn to contact Andy Polumbo after he reviews the Lehigh County ad. Member Wilder learned of a community outreach group at Misericordia. They need clearances to be around kids. Member Wilder feels it might be a good fit for the Holiday Party and a PSA. Lynn suggested that they reach out to Lehigh County. Member Farrell suggested Kings Theatre department. She will reach out to that department.
2. Member Wilder talked about a Student's Day in October. Students from local social work programs will come to the agency to see what careers would be available to them. Kings, Penn State, Marywood and Misericordia are interested. This can lead to more applicants when they graduate. Maybe do different schools on different days. The group will need to discuss details on this.

Final Questions/Comments – No final comments.

Adjournment – Motion to adjourn made by Member Cinti, seconded by Member Scarnulis, all in favor.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, July 10, 2019 at 12:00pm.