**GOVERNOR’S TASK FORCE ON JUSTICE FOR ABUSED CHILDREN**

November 8, 2023 – 1:30 PM.

Zoom Meeting

Attendance: Tammy Sneed, Yvette Young, Kelly Anelli, Andie Asnes, Koren Butler-Kurth, Eliza Borecka, Josiah Brown, Lisa Daymonde, Kenisha Farquharson, Tasha Hunt, Alison Johnson, Nancy Nesbitt, Hon. Tammy Nguyen-O’Dowd, Michelle Manning, Josh Mchtom, Nancy Pugliese, Paula Schaeffer, and Stephanie Zanker-Rivera

Guest: Marjorie Loring, Jamal Jimmerson, Ellie Culifalo, Hakeema Bey-Coon and Ewa Kantor

| Agenda Item | Discussion *(brief summary)* | Action *(and by whom)* |
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| **The meeting was called to order** | Tammy Sneed chaired the meeting. Introductions of Members Present | The meeting was called to order at  **1:32 PM.** |
| **Approval of Minutes:** | The September 2023 minutes were not approved as it was noted that they were incomplete, as the information related to the Windham and New London MDT Evaluations reviewed during that meeting was not covered in the meeting minutes. The September 2023 minutes will be revised and presented for a vote at the next GTF meeting. | There was no motion to approve the September 2023 minutes. |
| **Budget** | The current Village budget was presented. The prior year’s surplus and the current year’s surplus were reviewed. The Village submitted a budget to DCF for the next fiscal year ending September 2024. Tammy Sneed requested information as to which invoices are still pending as she would like this to be resolved by the next meeting. |  |
| **Presentation** | Diversity Consultant –Thought Partner Solutions: Jamal Jimerson presented to the full GTFJAC. |  |
| **Children’s Justice Act** | **Three Assessment:-Year**  *Recommendation #4: Begin to address racial disparities and implicit bias through training, policy/protocol changes, and updates to MDT standards and evaluation criteria.*  *No additional discussion related to the three-year assessment occurred during his meeting. The focus was on the training by Thought Partner Solution. The next training by Thought Partner Solution will be January 10, 2024 with a focus on bias mitigation.* |  |
| **Training** | The next Minimal Facts Train the Trainer will occur November 27-28, 2023, at the DCF Workforce Academy.  Discoverers will come the first day from 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM  First Responders will attend both days from 8:30-5:00 PM  Registration has been sent to MDT Coordinators. Ellie will be available for questions over the next week and a half.  CCA Winter Training Series will include a 4 part Moving from violence to safety series beginning in November and ending in February. There will be an Impicit Bias training in early 2024, and the annual Response to Recovery conference will be in May 2024. They are currently accepting workshop speaker applications for the conference.  Finding Words: The training in September went well. The course was full. Due to scheduling conflicts, the November training was canceled, but the chairs hope to offer three trainings in 2024. |  |
| **MDT Evaluation** | Danbury MDT Evaluation -report was shared by Paula Schaeffer. Areas for improvement were discussed, and corrective action plans were shared and discussed. Tammy Sneed requested to see the attendance sheet for the Danbury MDT retreat. Paula Shaffer will provide her with that information.  New Committee Member: Brittney Adams – Paula Schaeffer presented her nomination form, and there was an approved motion to have her join the MDT Evaluation Committee. | There was a motion to approve the Danbury MDT Evaluation. **The motion passed. Bey-Coon/Butler-Kurth**  **M/S/P**  There was a motion to approve Brittney Adams. **The motion passed. Bey-Coon/Butler-Kurth**  **M/S/P** |
| **HART** | Tammy Sneed reminded the group that January is Human Trafficking Awareness Month. Next HART meeting will be in early December. |  |
| **CCA** | No report was provided. |  |
| **Other Business:** | None |  |
| **New Business:** | Future Presentation Topics:   * Send suggestions to Kristen Clark. |  |
| **Announcements:** | None |  |
|  | Meeting adjourned at **3:58PM.** No motion was taken to adjourn the meeting. |  |

Respectfully Submitted

Yvette Young