

# **McKINNEY VENTO & EDUCATIONAL LIAISONS WORK GROUP | FEB. 14, 2018**

## **MEETING MINUTES**

**9:30 – 11:00 AM**

Room 145, 1100 W. 42nd St., Indianapolis, IN 46208

The meeting was called to order at 9:35 AM.

In attendance: Charie Gibson (IPS), Crystal Haslett (Washington Township), Debbie Douthitt (Safe Families), Erin Brown (School on Wheels), Fatima Johnson (KIPP), Karen Routt (School on Wheels), Kelly Anderson (Franklin Township), Susie Riddle (Emmerich Manal), Tonya Monnier (Pike Township), Tracy Beer (Lawrence Township), Trent Borom (Speedway), Taylor Wise (Warren Township), Sara Buchta (Vision Academy), Nicole George (Warren Township), Kyle Walke (Perry Township), Katie Riedman (Perry Township), Tammy Medsker ( Mooresville Schools), Heather Morrison (Connections Academy), Sharon Dunlevy (Adult & Child), Tracey Pendleton (TC Howe HS), Chris Lakich (CHIP) and Amy Gibson (CHIP).

Election of a chairperson was held. Crystal Haslett was nominated by Susie Riddle and the nomination was seconded by Erin Brown. Crystal accepted the position of chair.

Caleb Sutton with CHIP presented on Shelter Coordination and the process. He advised clients are to contact 211 in order to reserve a bed at shelters as 211 will have the most up to date information on availability. A handout was provided with the process information. Amy will send this electronically to all as well.

The proposed Educational and Childcare Engagement policy was reviewed. HUD is requiring each agency who receives HUD funding to identify an educational and childcare liaison and have a communitywide procedure in place to ensure compliance with the policy. The group agreed the proposed policy is clear and did not have any amendments.

Tonya Monnier reported on the Higher Education movement. She reported the first annual conference was held in December 2017 to bring together higher education institutes with McKinney Vento Liaisons. Tonya, along with Karen Bush from Pike High School, has been connecting with local colleges to determine a single point of contact (SPOC) on each campus. To date, Marian University and IUPUI have SPOCs identified. Discussions with Ivy Tech are underway. Tonya will continue to share information as received.

Amy Gibson presented on the las month's progress with youth system planning. The Homeless Youth Taskforce has been meeting on average twice per month. The next Homeless Youth Taskforce meeting is 2/16/18 and the coordinated community response map and system

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modeling should be finalized on that date. The Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program NOFA was released on 1/17/18 and applications are due 4/17/18. The finalized modeling and map will be included in the application process.

Amy advised the group there are a few school districts that have not submitted their Point in Time information and this is needed no later than 2/21/18.

The group was reminded of the free training for McKinney Vento liaisons, which is on 3/19/18. The Department of Child Services and Department of Education will be presenting at the training. The group agreed they would prefer to also have DCS and DOE invited to the April McKinney Vento so they can have a question/answer session specific to Marion County. Amy will reach out to Malaina Gant and Jeff Wittman about dates as the group stated they would be willing to change the scheduled date to accommodate both.

The March meeting will be cancelled as the hope is most will attend the training on 3/19/18. The next meeting is scheduled for 4/11/18 at 9:30 AM at CHIP.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 AM.