

# Orange County Children's Partnership (OCCP) Committee Minutes

**Date:** August 20, 2020

**Location:** Zoom meeting

**Committee Members/Alternates Attendees:**

Anne Bloxom, Lisa Burke, Veronica Carpenter, Karen Christensen, Betsy DeGarmoe, Heidi Garrel, Mary Izadi, Laura Jose, Debra Kegel, Hon. Judge Motoike, Jeffrey Nagel, Lynda Perring, Dawn Smith, Gary Taylor, Jr., John Zeimantz

**Non-Committee Attendees:** Raina Lee, Lee Lombardo, Robyn Odendahl, Alyson Piguee, An Tran, Kristina Traw

**1. Introductions / Announcements** - Self-introductions were made

**2. Action Items:**

- a. Approval of Minutes** - Meeting minutes from July 16, 2020 were approved
- b. Review and Approve Annual Conditions of Children Report recommendation** - Content of the report was discussed. OCCP Committee approved the Annual Conditions of Children Report recommendation.
- c. Discussion associated with the future structure of the OCCP Ad Hoc Committee**  
The structure of the OCCP Ad Hoc Committee was discussed. The OCCP Committee recommended that the OCCP Ad Hoc Committee continue to meet and bring forward recommendations.

**3. 2020 OCCP Areas of Focus/Goal**

**Legislative Updates** – Anne Bloxom / Kristina Traw

Kristina Traw shared that the Federal relief package is pending. The state legislature has until August 31, 2020 to pass bills. No additional updates.

Anne Bloxom shared although there has been an overall concern with child welfare and In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) funding, noticeable changes and improvements are occurring. In addition, when COVID first began, visitation was being conducted remotely. Mandated face to face visits for foster youth and IHSS clients have resumed.

**4. General Committee Member Comments**

None.

**Public Comments**

None.

**Next Meeting**

The next meeting is September 17, 2020, 9:00 a.m. ZOOM meeting

Minutes taken by Esther Marquez