

**LYCOMING COUNTY CHILDREN AND YOUTH STANDING COMMITTEE
SHARWELL BUILDING
MARCH 16, 2022**

ATTENDANCE:

Commissioner Richard Mirabito, Commissioner Scott Metzger; and Commissioner Tony Mussare were in attendance.

Staff: Matt Salvatori - CYS Administrator; Keith Wagner – Joinder Executive Director- MH/ID Administrator; Rhonda Asaro - CYS Fiscal Officer; David Goodwin – Chief Juvenile Probation Officer; Emma Thompson – Joinder Compliance Officer; Cathy Bennett – Administrative Assistant; and Jonathan DeWald - Joinder Solicitor.

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was Called To Order by Commissioner Mirabito at 12:30 p.m.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Commissioner Mussare Moved and Commissioner Mirabito Seconded a Motion to:

“Approve the minutes from the December 15, 2021 Lycoming County Children and Youth Standing Committee meeting as presented by staff.”

The Motion passed unanimously. A meeting of the LCYS Standing Committee was not held in the months of January and February as there were no pressing agenda items.

CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS:

Child and Family Services: FY 21-22

Mr. Salvatori presented a Renewal Agreement with CONCERN for foster care services. Commissioner Mussare Moved and Commissioner Metzger Seconded a Motion to:

“Approve the renewal Agreement between the Lycoming County Commissioners, on behalf of Lycoming County Children and Youth Services, and CONCERN Professional Services For Children, Youth and Families for foster care services at rates between \$50.28 and \$141.30 per day for the period 7/1/21 to 6/30/22.”

The Motion passed unanimously.

Professional Services: FY 21-22 and 22-23

Mr. Salvatori presented two new Agreements for professional services: Jennifer Ayers to become a Substitute Guardian Ad Litem and Nick Fuller (The Tactical Mind) for the provision of 2 – 12 week training periods (1 session per week at \$500.00 per session) of mindfulness based attention training for youth in services at the Lycoming Day Treatment Program. Commissioner Mussare Moved and Commissioner Metzger Seconded a Motion to:

“Approve the following Purchase of Service Agreements with the Lycoming County Commissioners, on behalf of Lycoming County Children and Youth Services, for professional services:

- *Jennifer Ayers, Esq. for substitute guardian ad litem services in the amount of \$75.00 per hour for the period 7/1/21 to 6/30/22;*
- *The Tactical Mind LLC for mindfulness based attention training in the amount of \$12,000 for the period 6/1/22 to 6/30/23.”*

The Motion passed unanimously.

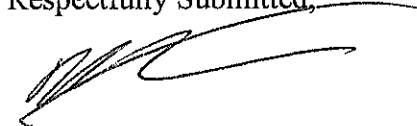
OVERVIEW OF FY 21-22 CHILDREN & YOUTH/JPO BUDGET:

Mr. Salvatori noted that Rhonda Asaro, CYS Fiscal Officer, and Dave Goodwin, Chief Juvenile Probation Officer, were present today to provide an overview and answer any questions pertaining to the Lycoming CYS/JPO FY 21-22 Budget update which covers the first 6 months of the current fiscal year. Mr. Salvatori noted that CYS/JPO is currently running under budget; however, Mr. Goodwin added that detention centers in Pennsylvania are very limited and JPO is currently using placement facilities in Ohio which has resulted in the overage in the Institutional Placement cost center. Mrs. Asaro reviewed the various cost centers for FY 21-22 and the amounts spent thus far in the first 6 months of the fiscal year and how funds are being allocated. The overall certified budget amount for FY 21-22 is \$13,729,454 and the Agency has expensed 43% of this budget through 50% of the fiscal year.

OTHER BUSINESS, NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Salvatori noted that it did not appear a Standing Committee meeting would be needed in the month of April. With nothing further presented, the meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Matthew Salvatori
LCYS Administrator