

Oregon WINGS General Meeting Minutes

Wednesday March 13, 2019

Oregon Judicial Department
Juvenile & Family Court Programs Division
1133 Chemeketa St NE, Salem, OR 97301

Attendees: Theresa Hollis, Bryan Marsh, Rebecca Southard, Marita Somerville, Leola McKenzie, Valerie Eames, Victoria Blachly, Christian Hale, Jeff Hall, Deborah Howard, Marc Kochanski, Mary Yeager, Rose Herrera, Judge Henry, Emily Braman, Jan Freidman, Allison Enriquez, Valerie Davis, Melissa Dablow

Introductions

Judge Holland

Called to order 9:00 AM

Consent Calendar

Approved Minutes December 11, 2018

Grant Update and Budget

Bryan Marsh

Extension of the grant- 9 month through June of 2019, additional \$9000 – allocated to PR, TTT, and Data Project. Need more people involved in these special projects.

Stakeholder volunteer time reporting form- group asked to complete and submit today before leaving the meeting today.

PR Project

Theresa Hollis

- Very active, many amazing ideas, now that they have the budget will be:
- Putting together a website to give people information about everything guardian related. Providing information and give them direction to take. Links to forms, referral line, etc.
- Call for volunteers- just a phone conference once a month- one hour or less contact Mark Sanford, Deborah Howard, Theresa Hollis, or Bryan Marsh
- The ARC is getting a trainer in June she will get information to the group.
- PEBB and OEB have agreed to put the website out to all the members.
- Next Meeting April 3rd at 10 am
- Valerie Eames suggested Gert Boyle- used to do adds on TV for Columbia

Train the Trainer

Bryan Marsh

- Core curriculum for trainers to use to train providers- targeting the actual trainers for example OHSU, group has found information remains the same, only difference is in the stories to add to curriculum.
 - Group is hoping to attend and present at the Forum on Aging in Rural Aging, in Lincoln City May 1-3, audience is broad, anyone interested in helping aging people in rural communities. About 200 in attendance. Office of Rural Health Sherry Stock has been talking about taking the program to the groups and Brain Injury Alliance Conference.
 - Includes booth the material and methods for teaching- stories, personal experiences.
 - Group has \$1800 for materials, and funds for having a training
 - Next Meeting 3/14/19
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Update of Stakeholder Projects

Judge Holland

- SFLAC – Data Business Process work group.

Bryan Marsh

Work on the way information is being collected from cases, technical discussions on business processes. Example: What is the dollar amount held in conservatorship across the state?

Committee is currently determining what data is currently available vs. what could be available should there be changes in business processes to increase data entry. Identified lists of cases that are not entered correctly to courts to fix them. This will increase the information available. Bryan listed the goals and three phases of the data project. WINGS groups asked to contact Judge Holland or Bryan with suggestions on additional data information needed.

Guardian Partners collect data points, reason for proceeding, etc. More fact specific, but might help with legislatures for current bills.

SFLAC Family Law Conference May 9 and 10th

- SFLAC - Chapter 125 Sub Committee

Guardianships and Conservatorships- focusing on dealing with accountings, how to educate judges on what to do if red flags are seen auditing.

- Guardian Partners

Marc Kochanski

Passed around 2018 Annual Report including data collected over the year.

Discussion about initial trainings for guardians, how do they learn about new laws since training?

Judge Holland states it falls on the court to education guardians, and OSB educates attorneys. Judge Holland also can require as a Judge to have the guardian take the course again. Information is also on Guardian Partners website, and will start a newsletter to go out to guardians on their data base.

Guardian Partners Monitoring Program- all volunteer but does cost Guardian Partners to run in about 4 counties, want to expand statewide. Judge Holland reviewed many different results of monitoring reports. Some are random, and some targeted based on red flags. No funding from State, funded by donations, and tuition from Guardian Partners classes- Annual Partners Party is main fundraising event.

Roundtable Discussion of Trends and Issues

- Jeff Hall, TCA for Deschutes County Circuit Court

Central Oregon Regional Guardianship Summit- Distributed hand out explaining the plan for the summit, hoping for Fall 2019. Waiting for grant/funding. Regional Health Council has shown interest in funding the summit. Group is now gathering a list of who should attend the summit. Interested in having people attend that have authority to make change as well as people that are on the ground doing the work.

WINGS group- if you have connections with Deschutes County please have them contact Jeff Hall.

Suggested that this would be a good group to share Train the Trainer curriculum. It was noted that October is a very busy month with information fairs for professionals working with people with Disabilities.

- Advance Directive Healthcare Rep Form

A few members able to provide names of committee members working on this form.

Legislative Update

- SB 31 High Risk Teams, Chris Rosin testifying right now.
 - SB 178 Healthcare Rep, not necessarily appointed can select Hospice
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- SB 376 Secondary Notice to notify once a guardian has been appointed.
 - Avoid abuses of supported decision making. What are other states doing?
 - SB 682- Pilot Program for Court Appointed Attorneys, where will the funding come from? Public Defenders Office, not in their area of expertise in the larger counties. More in the area of Involuntary Civil Commitments. No pending hearings, but it is being amended.
 - SB 729 EPPDAPA Restraining Order to remove phrase that restricted people in certain living situations from getting a restraining order, it passed 3/12/19
 - SB 683 HB 2601 Similar Bills, limit guardian's authority to limit protected person's association with certain people. Guardian Removal as a consequence. HB has had a hearing. Substitute Decisions making- what would the protected person do if they had capacity.
 - Other bills going through as well that Bryan is monitoring.

Wrap up and next Steps

Judge Holland

Meeting Ended 11:02

Next Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, June 12, 2019 9-11 AM.
