



**CHILD ADVOCACY NETWORK OF MONROE COUNTY, INC.  
MEETING MINUTES OF  
DATE December 14, 2011**

**Name and Mission Statement**

**This corporation shall be known as “Child Advocacy Network of Monroe County, Inc.” and exists as a chartered local coalition of the Michigan Committee for Prevention of Child Abuse and a designated council of the Children’s Trust Fund. The mission of CAN is to promote community awareness through programs, initiatives and general education, concerning the physical, social, and emotional well being of children and families in Monroe County**

**ATTENDEES:** Chris Todd-MISD, Lynn Gluvna-CCN, Nancy Thompson-Great Start, Doug Redding- Community Rep, Jennifer Ewen-MCPO, Melissa Matias- Attorney, Carleton Korzenowski- DHS, Dot Stacy-CASA, Julie Rhinehart-American Red Cross, Connie Carroll-UW, Hon. Frank Arnold-Family Court, Melissa Strong-Youth Center, Craig Haugen-Jefferson Schools, Sandra Johnson-Catholic Charities, Deb Brescol-RSVP/CASA

- I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AND WELCOME** – President Chris Todd, called the meeting to order at 9:07am
- II. INTRODUCTIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** - Connie Carroll reported the United Way is looking for volunteers to serve on the distribution panels Carl Korzenowski announced the state has extended foster care eligibility until age 21.
- III. MINUTES** – October minutes reviewed. Jennifer Ewen made a motion to accept. Judge Arnold seconded. Motion carried
- IV. TREASURER’S REPORT:** Deb Brescol reported next month’s budget will show both the Helena McPherson and the Peter Sickles Memorial funds reflected as carryover in future reports. Also, the budget will be revised to show the funding received from CTF.
- V. COMMITTEE REPORTS**
  - Education and Advocacy* – no report
  - Political Action* - Jennifer Ewen announced the law on Bullying had passed with changes in the language. Judge Arnold also reported that the state has mandated privatization of foster care, which may result in negatively impacting children.



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*DHS* – . Carl Korzenowski said DHS is waiting for direction from the state on the privatization of foster care

*Membership* – no report

## **VI. OTHER REPORTS**

*Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA)* -30 individuals attended the Appreciation Day event. There will be training for new recruits in February. Currently there are 40 volunteers, with 28 assigned.

*Fundraising* - no report

*Golf Outing* – no report

## **VII. ONGOING BUSINESS**

1. Celebrate Children – Lynn Gluvna reported the theme is Celebrate All Families. It will be held on April 28, 2012.
2. Correspondence – Letter from Salvation Army and CTF check received
3. Grant Application – Needs to be re-written for the next three years. CTF has indicated they will be focusing in evidence based programming, so the new grant application will need to reflect this. Also, the Strategic Plan and data collection need to be reviewed

## **VIII. NEW BUSINESS- no new business**

**Meeting Adjourned at 9:35 a.m.**

## **IX. NEXT MEETING**

**Monthly Meeting – January 11, 2012 at 9:00 AM at United Way.**

**Executive Board Meeting – March 14, 2012 8:00 AM –United Way**

Respectfully submitted by: Nancy Thompson