

Ohio Grandparent Kinship Coalition
Overbrook Presbyterian Church
4131 N. High Street, Columbus, Ohio 43214
September 23, 2015 10:00A.M. - 12:30P.M.

Minutes

- I. Welcome - Co-Presidents (Tim Harless)**
- II. Introductions – Officers and Attendees**
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| Tim Harless | Richland County Children Services |
| Louanne Zipfel | Kinship Care Program CRC |
| Patrick Donovan | Muskingum County CSB |
| Megan Stevens | Franklin County Children Services |
| Lynn Stevens | State of Ohio/Co VP OGKC |
| Becky Murray | ODJFS |
| Susan Leviten | Caregiver |
| Dionne Simmons | WSU-CHC |
| Wendi Turner | OFCA |
- III. Approval of Minutes** – Harless asked for the July 22nd meeting minutes to be read. After reading, Patrick motioned that for minutes to be approved. Dionne provided the second. Minutes unanimously approved.
- IV. Treasurer’s Report** – Dionne reported balances and Conference
- V. 501c3 Status-** 501c3 Completed. Need to seek grants, have fund raisers to utilize the 501c3 status to strengthen the OGKC mission. Wendi is looking for grant dollars to fund a paid position for OGKC. Dionne also mentioned the possibility of a VISTA or AmeriCorps person. Casey is partnering with some states to get grand families started. Looking for the opportunity to recruit Kinship Caregiver’s to speak with legislators about their needs and limited resources.
- VI. Review the By-Laws for Officer Requirements** – Officers need to have discussion about potential nominations at the next meeting.
- VII. Facebook Discussion (Co-Secretary Angela)** –Facebook account with Franklin County, Dionne will provide pictures from the OGKC website.
- VIII. PCSAO Conference 2015** – Good opportunities to discuss OGKC and Kinship families.
- IX. Franklin County Children Services & the Ohio Grandparent/Kinship Coalition Conference- OGKC Conference 2015** – Thanks for the process and the opportunities with all the OGKC families. There are plans already circulating for the upcoming year.

2015 Meeting Dates

January 28 March 25 May 27 July 22 September 23 November 18

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