



**Region IV Citizen Review Panel
707 N. Armstrong Pl, Boise, ID 83704
Bluebird**

**Tuesday, March 11, 2024
4:00 pm – 6:00 pm**

Meeting Minutes

Members: Nicole Noltensmeyer, Carlos Galindo, Alisha Merrill, Merritt Dublin, Jessica Ivancic

Absent: Brian McCauley, Shannon McCarthy

Staff: Jason Shaw (CDH)

Guest: Rachael Peace (DHW), Teresa Vance (ID Supreme Court)

Call Meeting to Order

Nicole Noltensmeyer, the Region IV Citizen Review Panel Secretary, called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

Motion: Alisha made a motion to approve the February meeting minutes as written. Carlos seconded. None opposed. The motion carried.

Motion: Merritt made a motion to approve the March agenda as written. Carlos seconded. None opposed. The motion carried.

Position Nomination

The Panel discussed the open positions. Merritt volunteered to serve as Chair of the Panel, Alisha volunteered as Vice Chair, and Jessica volunteered to serve as Secretary.

Motion: Nicole motioned to appoint Merritt Dublin as Chair of the Region 4 Citizens Review Panel, Alisha Merrill as Vice Chair, and Jessica Ivancic as Secretary. Carlos seconded. None opposed. The motion carried.

Media Outreach Discussion

The Panel discussed the option of speaking with the media regarding the foster care system, and things the Legislature is doing to bring transparency to the system. The discussion centered on why the impact of that may be on the Panel's relationship with DHW, and the

latitude they have to speak with the media due to their confidentiality agreement. The Panel also discussed the option of inviting members of the Legislature to a future meeting. The Panel chose to have further discussion on a media outreach effort at the April meeting.

Data Sharing Improvement Discussion

The Panel discussed a case management system that the foster system in California uses to centralize case data and documentation as an example of a software improvement that could be implemented to enhance the performance of Idaho's foster system. There was also information shared by DHW on how the system works on their end.

Executive Session

The Panel did not go into Executive Session at this meeting.

Adjourn

The Panel requested a digital copy of the packet that is being provided to new Panel members. Teresa brought copies of the mini rule book for members to read to provide more information on how the foster system works.

Nicole Noltensmeyer, Region IV Citizen Review Panel Chair, adjourned the meeting at 5:10pm.

Meeting minutes prepared by Jason Shaw