

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

Monday, June 10, 2024 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Meeting Minutes

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

Shannon McCarthy

Absent: Brian McCauley

Staff: Jason Shaw (CDH)

Guest: Racheal Peace (DHW), Marjean Hazen (DHW)

Call Meeting to Order

Merritt Dublin, the Region IV Citizen Review Panel Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:01 pm.

Motion: Nicole made a motion to approve the May meeting minutes as written. Jessica seconded. None opposed. The motion carried.

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

Public Q&A Meeting

A member of the public attended the meeting and spoke about her experience in the foster system as a foster parent. The Panel intends to continue providing opportunities for public commentary in the future, and discussed ways to advertise the opportunity to ensure more members of the public are able to contribute to the discussion.

DHW Staffing Updates

DHW is in the process of filling several high-level positions that are currently vacant. There are also ongoing changes being made in the way the department is organized to improve responsiveness and efficiency moving forward. Sierra Dean, part of the foster parent licensing section at DHW, attended the meeting and answered a number of questions the Panel had

about the licensing process and requirements. She was also able to take questions back to other staff members at DHW that she didn't have answers to at the time to make sure the Panel got their questions answered.

Executive Session

Motion: Nicole moved that the Panel, pursuant to Idaho Code §74-206, convene in Executive Session to discuss items exempt from public disclosure. Carlos seconded. The motion was confirmed by roll call vote. Shannon McCarthy, aye; Nicole Noltensmeyer, aye; Carlos Galindo, aye; Jessica Ivancic, aye; Merritt Dublin, aye; Alisha Merritt, aye.

The Panel entered into Executive Session at 5:01pm to discuss items exempt from public disclosure. During this session, the Panel received information on cases.

Motion: Nicole moved that the Panel, pursuant to Idaho Code §74-206, exit Executive Session at 5:52pm. Alisha seconded the motion. The motion was confirmed by roll call vote. Shannon McCarthy, aye; Nicole Noltensmeyer, aye; Carlos Galindo, aye; Jessica Ivancic, aye; Merritt Dublin, aye; Alisha Merritt, aye.

Adjourn

Merritt Dublin, Region IV Citizen Review Panel Chair, adjourned the meeting at 5:55pm.

Meeting minutes prepared by Jason Shaw