



Meeting Minutes

North Dakota Children's Cabinet Meeting

Thursday, October 14, 2021
9:00a.m. to 11:00 a.m., Central Time
APT Solutions, 2900 E. Broadway Ave., Bismarck
Virtual Call through MS Teams

Members in attendance

Pamela Sagness, Director Behavioral Health Division	Kim Jacobson
Lt. Governor Brent Sanford, Governor's designee	Janell Regimbal, Parent/Private Service Provider
Paula Condol, Parent/Private Service Provider	Vincent Roehr, Tribal Nations Representative
Representative Koppelman	Veronica Ziete, Director, Protection & Advocacy
Russell Riehl, Parent/Private Service Provider	Senator Heckman

Members absent

Chris Jones	Kristen Baesler
Lisa McEvers	Senator Luick

Other attendees

Bill Kalanek	Maria Neset
Bridget Dowling	Kimberly Hruby
Hedi Delorme	Kayla Fender
Kelli Ulberg	Cathy Ferderer

Call to Order/Roll Call – Senator Heckaman

- Senator Heckaman initiated introductions
- Senator Heckaman focused Cabinet's goals on 5 topics: mental health, behavioral health, protection and advocacy, juvenile justice, and food security.

Motion to Pass Minutes from 5/16/2021 – Motioned by Kim Jacobson

- Seconded by Janell Regimbal

Unanimous Approval

Update from the Interim Judiciary Committee and the Juvenile Justice

Commission - Lisa Bjergaard – [Link to presentation](#)

- Cabinet discussion on CHINS group
- Senator Heckaman and Bill Kalanek will be meeting with CHIN's group leader on program systems to report to Children's Cabinet.

Motion – Kim Jacobson – Approve motion for suggested list.

- Second by Veronica Ziete

Discussion

Kim Jacobson – Scott might retire in the next coming months, if so, the Cabinet will need to replace him.

Unanimous Approval

Cabinet Discussion: Positions held by other members – Senator Heckaman

- All members went into discussion on positions they held that affect child welfare.
- All members will need to send information to APT Inc. to create a living document for all members to have positions and contact info assessable.
- Cabinet proposal for appropriation funds to go to training for first responders on how to deal with people who have mental and behavioral health issues.

Cabinet Discussion: Goals for Cabinet – Senator Heckaman

- 5 main goals for Cabinet to focus on: mental health, behavioral health, protection & advocacy, juvenile justice, and food security.
- Cabinet would like to meet more – 2 hours every quarter is not sufficient.
- Cabinet is interested in an update of the HSRI implementation of behavioral health actions/goals. Also, an update about the behavioral health/education programs DHS administers. – Pamela Sagness

Cabinet Discussion: Next meeting - Sen. Heckaman

- Next meeting, sept. send APT Inc. available days for November.
- Meet for 1 hour monthly instead of 2 hours quarterly.

11:00 p.m. **Adjourn**