

Illinois Department of Children and Family Services  
**Institutional Review Board Meeting**  
**Minutes**  
**January 27, 2015**

**Chicago**

Debra Dyer  
Janet Ahern  
Kay Clark  
Mark Holzberg  
Paula Jaudes  
Brooke Taylor

**On the Phone**

Kamaria Gammon

**CALL TO ORDER**

Debra Dyer called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m. A quorum was present.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION:** Janet Ahern made a motion to approve the minutes.

Mark Holzberg seconded the motion and a unanimous vote from the remaining board members carried the motion.

**FOLLOW UP**

**Raquel Ellis.** *Evaluation of Permanency Innovations Initiative—AMENDMENT.*

This research proposal was tabled at last month's meeting due to a quorum being needed to vote on this proposal.

**MOTION:** Janet Ahern motioned to approve the proposal.

Kay Clark seconded the proposed motion. Mark Holzberg recused himself and a unanimous vote from the remaining board members carried the motion.

**Jin Jee Hyun.** *A Comparative Study of Child Protection Services Decision Making in the United States and Korea.*

Number of students in the graduate program that are also DCFS employees – put announcements up that say if they want to participate to approach them. The researchers will be told that the DNet is not a recruitment tool.

**MOTION:** Mark Holzberg motioned to deny the proposal as it is currently presented.

Janet Ahern seconded the proposed motion and a unanimous vote from the remaining board members carried the motion.

**Hussein Soliman.** *Foster PRIDE Training of Trainers Evaluation.*

This research proposal was deemed an internal evaluation and not research. This will be removed from the agenda at this point.

**Ram Yogev.** *P1115: Very Early Intensive Treatment of HIV-Infected Infants to Achieve HIV Remission: A Phase I/II Proof of Concept Study Version 1.0 dated 12 March 2014.*

This research proposal was voted on via email due to the urgency related to a child who was being born with the symptomology that was already enrolled in the study via his guardian – but custody would be taken within 24-48 hours.

The Medical Director reviewed this research proposal and advocated for it's passing.

**MOTION:** Kay Clark motioned to approve the proposal.

Janet Ahern seconded the proposed motion and a unanimous vote from the remaining board members carried the motion.

## **NEW PROPOSALS**

**Judith Regina Havilcek.** *Sexual Trafficking of Children in Illinois: Prevalence and Characteristics of Children who come to the Attention of Child Protective Services.*

Wanted a study of 300 – don't think that we have 300. Trying to get a ball park figure – but may be less than 100. Can we even give them information on unsubstantiated cases – no we can't. Haven't even had 100 calls on this allegation – if unsubstantiated, we can't give them that information – can only give founded ones.

May not even be enough for a study. Janet will find out the number of calls that were indicated (#40 & #90).

Who is going to redact the information before they get it – we don't have the people to do that. How is she planning on getting that information? Does she have access to that information? Do we have to get that to her? If we only have a small sample size – does she want to pursue it any further?

**MOTION:** Tabled

**Colleen Murray.** *Burnout and Caseload Volume among CPS Investigations.*

Nice write up for an undergraduate student.

She cannot have that data – we have a consent decree that deals with this data – the BH consent decree excludes the ability for outside entities to have.

**MOTION:** Tabled. We are in pending litigation around case load size and for this reason and at this time no research proposals will be approved. She could modify the proposal to not look at caseload size,

but look at burnout. Mark will follow up with the researcher to talk about alternative ideas for her research proposal.

**Gina Miranda Samuels.** *Exploring Experiences and Perceptions of a Successful Transition – AMENDMENT.*

Only modifications is taking pictures of the neighborhood.

**MOTION:** Paula Jaudes motioned to approve the proposal.

Janet Ahern seconded the proposed motion and a unanimous vote from the remaining board members carried the motion.

**OTHER**

**Laura Pons.** *Early Head Start University Partnership Grants: Buffering Children from Toxic Stress Randomized Controlled Trial.*

**MOTION:** Tabled. Dr. Jaudes will review the proposal and submit her take on it.

**Erin McCarville.** Researcher had a question about whether she could obtain specific data related to juveniles in detention centers – since there was a quick turnaround time from when a juvenile was admitted and when they were released.

It was determined that since DCFS would be the ones signing consent for the wards to be released on probation – we would know where they are and be able to locate them. Also, DCFS wards stay in juvenile determination longer (as they look for where they can be placed).

The guardian also indicated that they could give the researcher a point person who would know about the project and do turnaround for the consents a lot quicker.

A request was made for a year’s worth of meeting reminders. Brooke will send that to the board this week.

Next meeting scheduled for February 24, 2015.

The meeting adjourned at 2:36 PM.