The Alabama Network of Children's Advocacy Centers Board of Directors Meeting February 13, 2007 10:00 a.m.

The Alabama Network of Children's Advocacy Center's Board of Directors met on Tuesday, February 13, 2007 at the State Office. The meeting was called to order at 10:05 by President, Emilyn Gipson. The invocation was given by Mary English.

The minutes were read by each director. A motion was made by Cathy Pinion and seconded by Sherryl Walker to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried. The roll was called by Secretary, Lori Lumsden. Six directors were absent. See attached roll call.

The Financial Report was given by Lynn Hart, Treasurer. She reported that ANCAC currently has \$81,420.03 in the money market account and \$214,950.39 in the checking account. A completed financial report produced by the accounting firm was not available for review.

A presentation of a retirement gift was presented to Dr. Richard Davy. Richard will be greatly missed by ANCAC.

Tara Johnson, State Coordinator presented the State Coordinator's Report. She advised the ANCAC board of the following:

- The remainder of the Children's First Trust Fund will be disbursed upon arrival to the ANCAC state office
- The Annual Report is available for each director to pick up and distribute in their local communities. The positive and negative aspects of ANCAC participating in the Finding Words Initiative.
- Quarterly Reports should be submitted by e-mail only. Faxed or mailed reports are not necessary.
- She is working with ACADV for a planning grant to explore the possibilities of Visitation Centers throughout the state.

Executive Committee Report: Emilyn Gipson, President distributed a list of new committee assignments. Please see attached copy. Emilyn advised ANCAC board members that Susan Martin will chair the Ad-Hoc Committee for By-Laws revision.

<u>Legislative Committee Report:</u> Chris Newlin, Chair, made a motion that ANCAC present the "Child Abuse Hurts! Enough Said!" posters along with a form letter that will be drafted by Tara, and given to each legislator explaining the services that ANCAC provides and the need for their continued support of our funding. Motion carried.

It was noted that each letter needs to be to Tara by March 10th and will be delivered to the legislators by March 15th. All CAC directors are encouraged to write a letter about their individual center to each legislator as well.

The following motion was also made: "To formally adopt attached protocol for consideration of bills/legislative action for which ANCAC is being asked to support.

Motion carried.

<u>Training Committee</u>: Susan Martin, Chair, announced that the Training Committee has 2 predominant initiatives: 1. Train the Trainers Training in which three one-day trainings will be presented in underserved areas which will include the Central Alabama CAC, Pike County Regional CAC and Clarke County Regional CAC in mid-May or June. The deadline to complete these trainings is July 15, 2007. 2. A one-day Diversity Training to be held in Montgomery. The committee also requested that each CAC forward their training information to Tara so that she can forward that information to all centers across the state.

<u>Long Range Planning Committee</u>: Timothy Birt, Chair, announced that the Long Range Planning Committee will meet again on March 30, 2007 at Prescott House. He explained that this committee plans to develop a 5 year plan and to function as a development committee.

<u>Public Relations Committee</u>: Sherryl Walker, Chair made a motion that each center send a proclamation declaring April as Child Abuse Prevention Month to their local government as well as sending a press release about ANCAC to all local newspapers. Motion carried.

<u>Standards Committee</u>: Elizabeth Wheatley, Chair, announced that the Standards Committee would meet on Tuesday, March 06, 2007 in Bessemer.

<u>Diversity Committee:</u> Helen Rardin, Chair announced that the Diversity Committee will be working with the Training Committee to plan a diversity training and that three Diversity stipends will be awarded this year. A copy of the new application will be distributed to each center director and the application deadline is April 15, 2007.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:50 p.m. by President, Emilyn Gipson.

ANCAC Membership Roll Call

ANCAC Tara Johnson

Barrie Center/Gadsden CAC Sarah Wilhite

Bessemer Cut-Off/Jefferson County Absent

Brooks' Place/ Cullman County CAC Susan Martin

Butler County CAC Kathy Smyth

CAC of Mobile Absent

Calhoun/Cleburne Children's Center Joe Nabors

Care House Cathy Pinion

CAC of Cherokee County

Lori Lumsden

Child Protect/Montgomery Jannah Bailey

Cramer Children's Center Monica Haddock

DeKalb County CAC Elizabeth Wheatley

East Alabama CAC Emilyn Gipson

Marshall County CAC Leslie Guthrie

National CAC Chris Newlin

Owens House/Shelby County CAC Helen Rardin

Prescott House Mary Murphy

Russell County CAC Lynn Hart

St. Clair County CAC Pam Kelly

Southeast Alabama CAC Sherryl Walker

Palmer Place Nancy Green

Tri- County CAC Timothy Birt

Tuscaloosa CAC Patty Steele

West Alabama CAC Absent

Central Alabama CAC Jessica Hope

Escambia Regional CAC Absent

Morgan County CAC Absent

Pike County CAC Absent

Regional CAC Mary English