

HB 142 Review of Advisory Councils

Children's Trust Fund Board

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Statutory Authority: 2-15-2214 & Title 52, chapter 7, part 1, MCA

Purpose

- Created in 1985 to reduce and eliminate the maltreatment of Montana children

General Information

Membership:

- 7 members (one board member position is currently vacant)
- 2 members must be chosen from state government agencies involved in education and social work relating to children
- Governor appoints members, ensuring geographic distribution of appointees
- Serve 3-year terms, but may be reappointed

Duties and Activities:

- Meets 4 times per year
- Administers the child abuse and neglect prevention program
- Statutorily mandated to keep costs to a minimum by utilizing existing DPHHS office space, personnel, equipment, and supplies (grant administrator is an employee of DPHHS, CFSD)

Budget Information

- *Revenue/Funding:*
 - Federal Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention Grant (CBCAP)
 - Special revenue from income tax check-off donations, other donations, interest earnings from endowment, and a portion of divorce filing fees
- *Expenditures:*
 - Reimburse two members who travel to quarterly meetings at \$350/meeting for both (third traveling member pays her own way as an in-kind donation)
 - Meal expenses are approximately \$100 total per meeting
 - Meeting space is provided at no additional cost

Recent Activities

- Strategic planning meeting held on February 29, 2012
- Board meeting held March 1, 2012
- Local community-based programs and family resource centers RFP posted March 26, 2012
- Implementing Shaken Baby Prevention and the Period of Purple Crying in Montana

Members	Hometown	Representing	Term Expires
Betty Hidalgo	Helena	Medical (public)	1/2013
Roberta Kipp	Browning	Education (public)	1/2013
Debora Hansen	Helena	DPHHS, Early Childhood Services/Best Beginnings Advisory Council	1/2013
JoAnn Eder	Red Lodge	Non-profit/Foundations (public)	1/2013
Mary Gallagher	Helena	Office of Public Instruction	1/2013
Rosie Buzzas	Missoula	Public	1/2013
Lisa Stroh	Chinook	Public	1/2015
Robin Suzor	Helena	Grant Administrator, DPHHS, CFSD	n/a

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