

Children and Families Interim Committee
Tentative Agenda and Panel Schedule
October 20, 2005
Room 137, State Capitol

8:30 a.m. Roll Call, Overview of the Day

SJR 37: Child Protective Services System Panel Discussions

8:45 - 10:00 a.m.

Intake: report, removal, intake, decision to place out of home

Centralized Intake Melissa McDonald, CI Supervisor, (statewide) and
Chris Purcell, Bureau Chief

Intake Social Worker Marci Buckles (Region IV) and Don Ferriter, Supervisor

Law Enforcement Detective Bryan Fischer (Region IV)

Questions and Answers

10:00 a.m. Public Comment on Intake

10:15 a.m. Break

10:30 - 11:45 a.m.

Services and Placement: reasonable efforts, social worker, in-home services, foster homes
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Intervention Worker

Sue Gravatt, Social Worker (Region V) and
Rod Huisman, Supervisor (Region II)

In-home Services Provider(s) Barb Sample (Region III)

Foster Parent(s) Mandy Richards (Region V), Romy Bently (Region V)

Questions and Answers

11:45 - noon Public Comment on Placement

Noon - 1:00 p.m. Lunch

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SJR 37: Child Protective Services System Panel Discussions, cont.

1:00 - 3:15 p.m.

Courts: district court judge, county attorney,
public defender, CASA, mediation

County Attorney Fred Van Valkenberg (Region V)

District Court Judge Judge Jeffrey Sherlock (Region IV)

Public Defender Peggy Probasco (Region IV)

CASA Bill Collins, Bonnie Holman (Region IV)

Mediation Maureen McGinnis (Region II), Maggie Brown (Region V)

Questions and Answers

3:15 - 3:30 p.m. Public Comment on Courts and the CPS System

3:30 p.m. Break

3:45 - 5:00 p.m.

Permanency and Safety- the ultimate goals

Family Resource Worker Cindy Dufner (Region I)

Family Group
Decision-making Coordinator Rick Lehr (Region I)

Adoptive parents Romy Bently (Region V), Cindy Schmidt (Region V)

Permanency Planning
Specialist Danielle Metcalf (Region III)

Questions and Answers

5:00 p.m. Public Comment on Permanency and Safety
Committee Wrap-Up

5:30 p.m. Recess until 8:00 a.m. October 21

Areas for future meetings:

Court Assessment Program

Treatment Courts

CasCo Project

Children's Trust Fund and primary prevention

Complaint Policy

Training and Licensure

Title IV-E and Other Funding Issues