

Illinois Department of Children and Family Services  
**Institutional Review Board Meeting**  
**Minutes**  
**April 28, 2020**

**ON PHONE**

Dr. Margaret Scotellaro  
Robin Albritton  
Tammy Fuller  
Brooke Taylor  
Arricka Newingham  
Rocell Cyrus  
Kim Mann  
Janet Chandler

**EXCUSED**

Janet Ahern

**CALL TO ORDER**

Brooke Taylor called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m. A quorum was present.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION:** Tammy Fuller made a motion to approve the minutes March 31, 2020.

Robin Albritton seconded the motion and a unanimous vote from the remaining board members carried the motion.

**FOLLOW UP**

**Dana Weiner.** *DCFS Child Endangerment Risk Assessment (CERAP) Review.*

No problems with the revisions that the researcher sent.

**MOTION:** Margaret Scotellaro motioned to approve the proposal.

Rocell Cyrus seconded the proposed motion and a unanimous vote from the remaining board members carried the motion.

**NEW PROPOSALS**

**Richard Epstein.** *DCFS Regenerations PILOT – Amendment.*

Minor amendments made to the research proposal.

**MOTION:** Kim Mann motioned to approve the proposal.

Robin Albritton seconded the proposed motion and a unanimous vote from the remaining board members carried the motion.

**Richard Epstein.** *DCFS Therapeutic Residential Performance Management (TRPMI) – Amendment.*

No concerns.

**MOTION:** Robin Albritton motioned to approve the proposal.

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

**Justin Harty.** *Fatherhood in Foster Care: Black Fathers Aging out of the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services Care.*

The youth in the study are older. Pretty small sample (15-20), but not a major concern. Interesting to think how child welfare is providing these services or not are they supporting dads and becoming a father to be. This may happen through specialty programming (groups, etc).

Excellent research and something that is needed for the Department.

Well put together proposal.

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

Kim Mann seconded the proposed motion and a unanimous vote from the remaining board members carried the motion.

**OTHER:**

**Richard Epstein Report.** Well written. No questions or concerns.

**Data Sharing Request.** Seeking fatality rates for counties (Peoria and Vermillion) and reports of serious harm. Goal is to develop a strategic plan that extends outside of Illinois – creation of a heat map.

Asking how to get the data. Suggested that they need to go through IRB. Questioning whether this is the only way to gather data. Data sharing agreement would also probably be required.

Some data available at the county level, but not at the zip code level through the University of Illinois at Urbana/Champaign Children and Family Research website. Fatalities and serious injury are not really tracked at the county level.

DCP may be able to break the information down to counties. We have the data, but how they would get the information. Data sharing agreements would need to go through legal for requests.

Robin suggested that they should connect through John Schweitzer in QE regarding the requests.

Next meeting re-scheduled for May 26, 2020 at 2 PM.

The meeting adjourned at 2:25 p.m.