



January 17, 2015

10:00 – 12:00 PM

Bob Walton Plaza, 700 Stonewall St, Charlotte NC 28202

Topic	Discussion	Action/Results
<b>Welcome</b>	Phillip Cunningham welcomed members and called the meeting to order.	
<b>Board/Member Introductions</b>	The Board and Members introduced themselves: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Phillip Cunningham, President</li> <li>• Jacqui Bryant, Vice President</li> <li>• Brenda Haithcox, Secretary</li> <li>• Vivian Wilson, Once Upon a Wardrobe Clothing Closet</li> </ul>	For your information
<b>Youth and Family Services Staff</b>	Youth and Family Services: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dana Howey, YFS Adoption Social Worker</li> <li>• Leslie Donaldson, YFS Licensing Worker</li> </ul>	
<b>Phillip Cuning, President Updates</b>	Phillip Cunningham asks members the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Number of kids and ages in their home at this time?</li> <li>• If there were any issues in 2014?</li> <li>• For a nomination for treasurer?</li> <li>• If Eckerd's Agency to come back to speak to the MCFAPA Group.</li> </ul> Phillip gave highlights on events that were held in 2014.	Mr. Will Parker volunteered to be Treasurer.
<b>Jacqui Bryant, Vice President Updates</b>	Jacqui Bryant asks members the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What do you want to accomplish in 2015?</li> <li>• What direction would you like to MCFAPA go in?</li> <li>• Do you feel supported?</li> <li>• Bob Walton location or would members like to rotate?</li> </ul>	Dana Howey will try to get a post adoption worker to attend meeting.



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One Warm Coat - Coat Drive</li> <li>• Amazon Smiles - Purchases through Amazon can provide donations for MCFAPA</li> <li>• If a Post Adoption specialist could speak to the group.</li> </ul>	
<b>Social Media (FaceTime)</b>	Jennifer Doucette was unable to attend meeting, will attend the April 18, 2015 meeting.	For your information
<b>Once Upon A Wardrobe Clothing Closet</b>	<p>Vivian Wilson announced the clothing closet needs and tasks she is working on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Volunteers to help organizing, sort and hanging clothes.</li> <li>• In the process of partnering with other agencies</li> <li>• Trying to get a larger space for the clothing closet.</li> <li>• Emergency access member may contact their case worker.</li> <li>• The clothing closet will be open 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of every month</li> <li>• Working on doing giveaways/events 3 times per year.</li> </ul>	For your information
<b>Youth and Family Services</b>	<p>Dana Howey announced the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual State Adoption Conference will be Foster/Adoption Conference</p> <p><b>Audience: Day 1</b> The conference is intended for current and prospective adoptive and foster parents and for those professionals and advocates who are involved in the foster care and adoption continuum.</p> <p><b>Audience: Day 2</b> The conference is intended for foster and adoptive youth ages 12-18, caregivers and professionals in the foster care and adoption continuum. April 24, 2015 and April 25, 2015 8:00-4:00 PM</p>	For your information



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	<p>Friendship Missionary Baptist Church, 3400 Beatties Ford Road Charlotte NC 28216  <a href="http://www.charmeck.org/adoptionconference">http://www.charmeck.org/adoptionconference</a></p> <p>Rachel Wells, post adoption worker is retiring and Monica King will be her replacement.</p>	
<b>Sam's Club Membership</b>	<p>Jacqui Bryant announced the following members received a Sam's Membership Card for turning in all four certificates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brenda Haithcox</li> <li>• Ilean Williams</li> <li>• Dierdre Smith</li> <li>• Sandy Miller</li> <li>• Vivian Wilson</li> </ul> <p>If members turn in all 4 meeting certificates from 7/2014 – 7/2015, they will get a Sam's membership card for a year.</p>	For your information
<b>Education</b>	Phillip Cunningham reviewed and provided a copy of the CMS Code of Conduct pamphlet.	For your information
<b>Giveaways</b>	Jacqui Bryant asks members to put their name on the yellow piece of paper and put in basket for drawings for gift cards, five gift cards to Wal-Mart were given away.	For your information
<b>MCFAPA Contact Information</b>	MCFAPA contact Information <b>Email:</b> MCFAPA@windstream.net <b>Phone:</b> 704-684-0420 <b>Fax:</b> 704-684-0340 <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.mcfapa.com">http://www.mcfapa.com</a>	For your information
<b>MCFAPA Certificate</b>	MCFAPA Certificates were passed out to everyone in attendance.	For your information



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<p><b>Round Table</b></p>	<p>Members ask if you can donate/trade and ask questions on the MCFAPA Facebook page (members had old MCFAPA page) with other Foster Parents who maybe in need.</p> <p>Suzi Allora will contact Foster Parents who haven't been attending meetings.</p> <p>Jeanette Higgs asks if anyone knew of the giveaway from GAL's to the Charlotte Hornets Basketball games.</p> <p>Terry Cross, ParentVOICE is a family-run organization, whose staff consists mainly of trained parents and caregivers of youth with emotional, behavioral, or mental health concerns.  <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.mhacentralcarolinas.org/parentvoice.cfm">http://www.mhacentralcarolinas.org/parentvoice.cfm</a>  <b>Facebook page:</b> <a href="https://www.facebook.com/pages/Parent-Voice-Charlotte-NC/175418909141366">https://www.facebook.com/pages/Parent-Voice-Charlotte-NC/175418909141366</a></p> <p>Brenda Haithcox will find out if YFS have a MAPP Class in Spanish.</p>	<p>Brenda Haithcox, yes they can and I will send out the correct Facebook page to all members.</p> <p>Brenda Haithcox will send Suzi Foster Parents Information.</p>
<p><b>Next meeting</b></p>	<p><b>Date:</b> April 18, 2015  <b>Time:</b> 10:00 – 12:00 PM  <b>Location:</b> Bob Walton Plaza, 700 Stonewall St., Charlotte NC 28202</p>	