



May 17, 2014

10:00 – 12:00 PM

Lake Forest Church, 8519 Gilead Rd., Huntersville, NC 28078

Topic	Discussion	Action/Results
Welcome/Breakfast	Phillip Cunningham welcomed members and called the meeting to order.	
Board Introductions	The Board introduced themselves: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phillip Cunningham, President • Jacqui Bryant, Vice President • Terry Cross, Treasurer 	For your information
Phillip Cunningham, MCFAPA President	Phillip Cunningham announced the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members make sure you sign the roster and your information on roster is up to date (email, etc.). • Phillip thanked Lake Forest Church and Staff for allowing MCFAPA to have meeting at their facility. • Provider Fair went great on March 29, 2014, we will be having them all around the city, if you know anyone who may be interested in Foster care/Adoption and would like more information please invite them. • Area Churches are responding to MCFAPA “Clothing Challenge” (Carmel, Calvary, etc.). • Congregation of Churches has 35 Churches involved with Foster care. • If you need clothing for children coming into care, please let the children’s caseworker know and she can request clothes via Tamara Nelson or Jennifer Hayes at Youth and Family Services. • Carmel Baptist Church will sponsor a Foster Adoptive Fair on September 20, 2014 from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm. More info to follow. 	For your information
MCFAPA Clothing Closet	Phillip Cunningham will come up with a date to open the clothing closet for Foster Parents. The clothing closet accepts financial and clothing donations. Contact	Choose a date in May to open Clothing Closet.



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	Vivian Wilson or Adelina Cunningham at MCFAPA@windstream.net .	
Jacqui Bryant, MCFAPA Vice President	Jacqui Bryant announced Children Home Society has lost their grant, will no longer have therapy services.	For your information
Youth and Family Services	<p>Rekita McDuffie, Youth and Family Services Adoption Caseworker</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summer Camps for adopted children please contact DeShaun Spears / Jennifer Freeman. • If you volunteer to take a child into your care, because you're a friend of the family it is considered Kinship Care. • Summer Camps for Foster Kids contact Jennifer Hayes or John Taylor. • Adoption assistance is approved on a case by case basis. The benefits include: cash payment, Medicaid, non-reoccurring cost, vendor payments and post adoption services. A child may meet the Medicaid criteria but not the other components. All cases are approved on a case by case basis. Vendor payments are for medical and therapeutic needs and not every child receives vendor payments. If you have any questions contact please Rachael Wells and Justin Stitt. • There is a \$120.00 Adoption Fee; YFS will reimburse Foster Parents after adoption is final. 	Phillip Cunningham will invite an Adoption Coordinator and an Adoption Financial Coordinator to next meeting.
Grace Covenant Church	Sandy Miller , Grace Covenant Church offered Foster Parent who's in need of cribs, car seats and high chairs, etc. All Sandy ask if you receive a car seat to return it when you done for the next family in need. Contact Sandy at Sandy@gracecovenant.org .	For your information
Youth and Family Services Contacts	Phillip Cunningham announced Brenda Haithcox will add the Youth and Family Services Contacts (YFS) on the MCFAPA.com website.	



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	<p>Jennifer Hayes, YFS Licensing Case Worker 704-353-0963 Tamara Nelson, YFS Manager – 704-336-7337 Lisa Jennings - 704-336-7337 Rachel Wells, Adoption Financial Coordinator - 704-336-7337 Justin Stitts, Adoption Financial Coordinator - 704-336-7337 DeShaun Spears, Adoption Caseworker - 704-336-7337 Jennifer Freeman, Adoption Caseworker - 704-336-7337 Rekita McDuffie, Adoption Caseworker – 704-432-2685</p>	
MCFAPA Contact Information	<p>MCFAPA contact Information Email: MCFAPA@windstream.net Phone: 704-684-0420 Fax: 704-684-0340 Website: http://www.mcfapa.com</p>	For your information
MCFAPA Certificate	MCFAPA Certificates were passed out to everyone in attendance.	For your information
Next meeting	<p>Date: July 19, 2014 Time: 10:00 – 12:00 PM Location: Lake Forest Church, 8519 Gilead Rd., Huntersville, NC 28078</p>	