

Friends of TriCity Family Services
Minutes of November 18, 2015 Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 1:07pm.

In attendance: Kristin Behmer, Jennifer Downing, Joanne Spitz, Sacha Urban, Judy Devoe, Connie Meister, Caroline Olinger, and Rosalie Jones-Link.

Minutes: A motion was made to approve the minutes as posted in the newsletter and on the website. They were unanimously approved.

Treasurer: Connie reported the line item for Aid To Individuals should be moved to Agency Needs, since it's for use by therapists with child clients. Money from the Friends Fashion Show has still yet to be received. Jennifer will follow up. We have 24 new members to date.

Speaker: Michelle Clark, Director of Emotional Wellness told us about the forthcoming ChickChat Program. The program created by Helping Girls Navigate Adolescents (HGNA) has been very successful and grown exponentially since its inception at TCFS. Volunteers are need on **Saturday, February 27th**. Stay tuned for further information and a sign-up link.

Membership: In Anne's absence, Jennifer reported there have been no changes in membership since the October meeting. Audrey Stotko has become very engaged with membership.

Fashion Show: No report

Thanksgiving Adopt-A-Family: Caroline reported they are in good shape for the Thanksgiving program and are providing dinner to **45 families** this year! Her partnership with Dorothy Francis has been terrific. Many members of the community have provided food this year to support our effort. Overflow is being directed to Joanne Spitz for the Christmas program.

Christmas Adopt-A-Family: Joanne has had incredible response to the request for help. She's had more donors than families. Efforts continue with the help of Mary Kay to find additional client families in need.

Snowflake Shuffle: Plans are coming together well. Friends were asked to donate toppings for the cocoa bar. Please watch for a sign-up link! **Volunteers the day of the event and runners are still needed!**

Social: There is no meeting in December. Plans are in work for a January evening social. Social will include a *very brief* meeting to welcome new members unable to attend daytime meetings. Details to follow.

Easter Adopt-A-Family: No report

Annual Benefit: Not much new to report. Continued help for sponsors and donations is needed.

Lobster Fly-In: No report

Staff Appreciation: Kristen Behmer will be providing staff appreciation in December. Jennifer is organizing chair massages for the staff in the month of January. Please sign up to treat the staff in February, March, April or May.

Old Business: Nothing to report.

New Business: Reminder of forthcoming events.

The meeting adjourned at 2:05pm.