



- Welcome and Introductions
 - Present: Steve Snodgrass, Shannan Garcia, Dawanna Hill, James Hubbard, Jen Brockman, Ronda Newman, Kenya Love, Karla Dush, Debora Faga
- Announcements:
 - OYS Updates
 - Families WG is holding their 2nd Annual Pack-The-Closet for personal care items
 - WG Recognition & Collaboration event on Friday, December 14th, 4-6pm, at the CEC Room 230/231
- Activity:
 - Request for Records (handout attached)
 - Everyone is included on the same email allowing everyone to be notified and get the information at the same time
 - Darci indicated that she would keep track of the data
 - Pilot this with Canyon State
 - Steve met with MOEC regarding the “mixer” idea; they are interested in participating if it was a little more structured, i.e., having each organization do a quick 2-3 minute introduction/presentation
 - Brook Valley School has been trying to meet a need of schools to address some discipline issues and have started an outreach short-term program (45 day school placement) and the ESU3 Student Services Director wonders if they could function in some way as a hub of some kind for re-entry
 - Perhaps McKayla LaBorde would be willing to come talk to this group next meeting
 - Email process discussion and implementation - Darci
 - Tabled to next meeting
 - Karla will talk with Darci about implementing this prior to our next meeting as youth should be discharging at the end of the semester and this would be an opportunity to see how the email is working.
 - Project Everlast presentation - Ronda Newman, Associate Vice President, Nebraska Children and Families Foundation (handout attached)
 - Project Everlast has been in existence for about 8 years, with the focus being exclusively on young people with foster care experience
 - In 2017 they expanded as part of a partnership with United Way to offer central navigation to opportunity youth, 16 to 26 years of age, that aren't being engaged successfully with employment or education
 - The intent of the pilot was to serve 100 youth; double that number of youth have been served
 - Project Everlast has now permanently made opportunity youth part of their service
 - Have been successful in engaging young people before they exit incarceration and help them engage back into the community, help with housing, employment, and can hire a coach that is able to work with them individually to give them guidance, etc.
 - Would be willing to partner with this group to provide assistance to youth coming out of incarceration/out of home placements/off probation
 - Jen Brockman sent an email to McKayla to see if she would be willing to speak to the group about the ESU3 possibility of serving youth returning from out of home placements

- Karla will touch base with Darci on implementing the email as youth are discharging from CYA
 - Steve will follow up with MOEC
 - Ronda will send referral form and flyer about services and Karla will forward to the group
All members review WP prior to next meeting and bring suggestions, as we will be updating it for 2019
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- Feedback Survey – Handed out

****Next Meeting** - January 24, 2019, 3:30pm-5:00pm, Westside Community Schools, ABC Building

OYS Mission Statement: Across Douglas County, our vision is a **comprehensive, coordinated,** and **community-wide** approach to **juvenile services** that **eliminates** the need for youth involvement with our justice system while maintaining **public safety**.

For **all youth** who do enter our justice system, our goals are to provide **effective, compassionate** and **individualized** support that empowers youth and their **families** to **succeed** and to build an environment of **mutual trust and accountability**.