



FAMILY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Location: Larch Correction Center Date: 1-28-2021 Time: 03:00 PM

Teleconference details: Team Video Conferencing

Meeting Attendees

Department/facility: Superintendent Miller Family co-chair: Stephanie Pino-Sanderson

Facility/council Secretary: Allison Mitchell Family secretary: Mandy Stafford

Members present: Nancy Simmons (LCC CPPC) Caroline Melhuish (Family Services)

Non-council member attendees: Susan Yadon(LCC PIO), Lance Backman (Superintendent Secretary), LaQuesha Turner (OCO), Gyde Matthias (OCO), Paige Perkinson (HQ), Kaishanna Saunders,

Agenda

Old Business

Weekly meetings	Family members expressed thanks that we are resuming weekly meetings during the outbreak.	The next LFC - Covid meeting is February 4th, at 3 p.m. REMINDER to send agenda items by Wednesday before 12 p.m.
Nancy Simmons	Family Centered Activities	We have 30 incarcerated individuals participating in reading and discussion of John Gottman's Emotion Coaching your Child book with a kiosk responses on each chapter for now. As soon as we open up taping for Read to Me program will begin as well as a new program Video Connections will be put into place. This will give incarcerated individuals to send a video to loved ones. They may read a poem, sing a song, or just have a conversation.
Education	Clark College	Education program has started back up via work packets that will be done in the student's room. Clark offers the following at Larch: GED track HS+ (A high school credit recovery program) Pre-College English Business classes working towards the AAS in supervisory management.
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New Business

Superintendent is back at the facility	Due to the recent outbreak and medical concerns JC was working remotely, JC expressed excitement about being back at the facility.	LCC has been very fortunate and we are defiantly moving in the right direction to recovery. Residents are slowly returning to work and a new normal.
DNR work concerns	We have received some feedback that some residents are not wanting to return to work due to symptoms.	LCC has a medical team that continues to monitor the status of the Residents and no one will be forced to return to work that may have symptoms.
Work	Concerns addressed regarding Offender pay during the outbreak	If the Offender hasn't worked, then no pay will be given.
J-Pay Issues	It was stated that J-pay was having some issues and a concern regarding free visits.	Mr. Backman will follow up on this matter
Stimulus Payment	When will Offenders get the stimulus payment?	We are under the impression that a process is in place and we can report back with more details.

Next meeting location: LCC LFC meeting via Team video or call-in

Date: 02-04-2021

Time: 3:00 PM

Comments: stay safe!

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