

**Child Support Advisory Committee Minutes**  
**April 1, 2016**  
**Botanical Center – Walsh Room**  
**909 Robert D. Ray Drive**  
**Des Moines, IA**

<b>Members / Alternates Present</b>	<b>Others Present</b>	<b>Members / Alternates Absent</b>
Christopher Robinson	Carol Eaton	Honorable Mark Costello
Barbara Van Allen	Kylie Claycomb	Honorable Eliza Ovrrom
Dick Woods	Mark Rath	David Jungmann
Kathy Mika	Gail Stevenson (guest)	Maja Rater
Evelyn Ocheltree		Matthew Weichers
		Cherie Lawson
		Greg Hughes
		Honorable Deborah Berry
		Honorable Rob Bacon
		Honorable Rich Taylor
		Fred Scaletta
		Debra Moore
		Suzanne Overton

**1. Welcome**

Mr. Robinson called the meeting to order at 1:05 pm and welcomed everyone.

**2. Discuss/Approve September 2015 Minutes**

No comments or approval of September minutes due to the absence of a quorum.

**3. Discuss / Approve February 2016 Draft Guidelines Recommendation Report**

Ms. Claycomb reviewed the draft Child Support Committee Guidelines Recommendation Report.

Mr. Jungmann offered amended language to the Public Education section of the report prior to the meeting, clarifying that the recommendation made was that education about the child support guidelines be provided as part of or supplemental to the Children in the Middle program.

In the Economic Data section of the report, a recommendation was made to reference the specific published research paper entitled "*The Monetary Cost of Raising Children*" by *William S. Comanor, Mark Sarro, and R. Mark Rogers*.

Mr. Woods moved to approve the amended language and Ms. Ocheltree seconded the motion. The amended language is to be voted on at a later date due to the absence of a quorum.

Mr. Woods provided a recommendation for the court to review the impact of restitution fees on parolees and whether these fees should be reduced and/or a deduction be given

in relation to child support obligations. Mr. Woods motioned to include this recommendation with the report, Mr. Robinson seconded. The committee discussed and Mr. Woods is to follow up by providing the specific language of his motion to be voted on regarding a deduction from income for restitution owed. This motion to approve is to be voted on at a later date due to the absence of a quorum.

Each of the three items will be sent out electronically for council members to vote on, and then a final vote will be taken on the final report. *Update: the committee will hold an additional meeting on June 10, 2016 to vote on the report and amendments.*

#### **4. Bureau Chief's Report**

##### **A. Legislation**

Ms. Eaton provided an update on the legislative session and mentioned a few bills that CSRU monitored related to child support during the session.

- SSB 3029/HSB 529 – Child Support Payment Processing
- HF 2372 – Joint Physical Care in Dissolution of Marriage Cases
- SF 2233 – Uniform Deployed Parents Custody and Visitation Act
- HF 2270/SF 2062 – Definition of Parent in Juvenile Court Actions

##### **B. Budget Update**

Ms. Eaton advised that a budget bill has not yet been released by the legislature. DHS Council recommended to include a budget package for CSRU, however, the CSRU request was not included in the Governor's budget recommendations. *Update: the DHS budget was finalized, with CSRU's budget remaining at the SFY16 funding level, as recommended by the Governor.*

##### **C. Performance Statistics**

Ms. Eaton provided a handout on performance statistics and reviewed.

#### **5. Old Business**

##### **A. Finalize By-Laws**

Voting will be delayed to a later meeting due to the absence of a quorum.

#### **6. New Business**

##### **A. CSAC Web Comments**

Discussion on how and when members would like to receive current web comments. Members would prefer to receive these comments with the meeting

materials that are sent one week prior to the next meeting and discussed during a public comment portion of the meeting.

## **7. Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 2:10 pm.

The next meeting will be held on October 14, 2016, from 1:00pm-3:00pm at the Des Moines Botanical Center Walsh Room. *Update: an additional meeting will be held June 10, 2016, from 1:00pm – 2:00pm at the Ola Babcock Miller Building to discuss and vote on the guidelines recommendations.*