



May 5, 2026, noon-1:30 pm

Chisago County Citizen Review Panel meeting minutes

Attendees: Jill Esch, Karen Kennedy, Laura Gapske, Deb Kerschner, Nancy Grossman, and Lorraine Swenson

1. Welcome-Get to know you question (Karen)

- Chisago County Teamsters still on strike for unknown amount of time

2. Recruitment

- Deb will drop off fliers at additional locations
- Gapske will post at the Moose Java Cafe and six community pages on social media
- We have two openings and no new applications yet

3. Reconsiderations updates

- None

4. Workplan review

- Test Microsoft Forms vs. Survey Monkey platforms for surveys
- Reviewed drafted survey by Deb for foster parent surveys
- Members need to provide feedback by May 25th on the survey questions
- Information requested by members for foster care numbers and review summary of ONLY foster care data within the CFSR
- Work plan will be updated prior to next meeting
- Questions specifically from Chisago County will need to wait until the strike resolves

5. TABLED UNTIL NEXT MONTH-April Child Abuse Awareness Month subcommittee report with Laurel, Lorraine, Nancy, and Karen

- Distributing materials on child abuse that was specific to Chisago County resources. Outreach at the library, baby blanket, churches, law enforcement, food pantries, schools, and other various locations.
- There were some challenges with connecting with the schools.
- There were great responses from many partners that were reached.
- Zero Abuse Project Prevention Curriculum
- Future ideas for community awareness with a proclamation with the city mayors and/or County Board.

8. Stipends amount and reminder of CAPTA funds

Next meeting:

Meeting-Hybrid	Schedule	Date
Chisago County Citizen Review Panel meeting	Every First Tuesday of the Month noon-1:30 pm	August 17, 2026 RETREAT