

**Ohio Commission on Fatherhood
Minutes from the Meeting of Thursday, June 16, 2016**

Attendance	
Commissioners	<p>Rep. Nicholas Celebrezze Mr. Cedric Collins Mr. Daniel Fitzpatrick Mr. Ron George Director Kim Hettel Mr. Scott Neely Director Ann Ream Mr. Socrates Tuch Mr. Tarik White</p>
Presenters	<p>David Fluellen William Liber Elena Martinez Dr. Brian Moore Tannika Price Brandy Warne</p>
Guests	<p>Nathaniel Jordan – Fatherhood Matters / Kappa Alpha Psi Dr. Stacy Scott – SID Network / Kappa Alpha Psi Brad Morton – Rep. Hayes’ Legislative Aid Maggie O’Shea – Sen Beagle’s Legislative Aid Katie Wright – Clinton County CSEA Prosecutor</p>
OCF Staff	<p>Director Kimberly Dent Ms. Terena Arnold Ms. Elena Martinez Mr. Ellis Williams</p>
I. Call to Order & Welcome New Commissioners	
10:00-10:10	Scott Neely
<p>Scott Neely called the meeting to order, welcomed our guests, and invited all attending to introduce themselves.</p>	
II. Moms2B and Columbus Urban League	

10:10-10:40

David Fluellen, Tannika Price & Brandy Warne

Moms2B and the Columbus Urban League's Father2Father program presented the OCF collaborative pilot project. Presenters gave an overview of their individual programs and the impact of their collaboration. Moms2B is dedicated to reducing infant mortality through providing education and social support. Father 2 Father is committed to helping men become responsible, nurturing, and instinctive fathers.

The two programs work together to address infant mortality and responsible parenting as it applies to both mom and dad. Moms2B will be expanding their program and are in the process of opening four new locations. Topics covered include:

- Infant Mortality Statistics
- Informative Parenting Curriculum
- Program Impact Information
- The Roles of Mentors

Power Point Presentation can be found on the OCF website.

III. OCF Grantee, Passages

10:40-11:10

Dr. Brian Moore & William Liber

Dr. Brian Moore and Mr. William Liber presented the grantee report for fatherhood programming for their agency, Passages Inc. Passages is a faith-based, non-profit community organization dedicated to enriching the quality of life for children with engaged, and loving fathers. OCF funds Passages, connecting fathers and families as a result of a request for grant application offered every two years, in line with the State Budget. Topics covered in the presentation include:

- History of Program
- Program Mission
- Workforce and Parental Skill Development
- Program Services
- Fatherhood Celebration Events

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V. OCF Director's Report

11:10-11:30

Kimberly Dent

Director Dent updated commissioners all OCF activities since the previous meeting. Some of the highlights regarding:

- OCF staff provided a NBNF presentation to the OSU Extension staff who will provide financial education to the fathers who receive programming under the NBNF federal grant
- OCF plans on working with Ohio University in data collection by using Intake/ Pre-test/ and Post-test studies to show the effect of father involvement in infant mortality
- OCF presented a NBNF presentation to ODYS representative Cedric Collins and their staff.
- OCF sponsored a two day Love Notes curriculum training by Irene Varley of the Dibble Institute. OCF also sponsored a three day training by Calvin Williams OPNFF for the federal sub-grantees which covered the On My Shoulders curriculum. A three day training on the domestic violence curriculum Being Connected was also hosted by OCF.
- OCF staff met with Rebekah Linton from Refuge Ministries as requested by Director Dungey. Refuge Ministries is a non-profit faith based agency targeting the drug and alcohol addicted population. OCF staff also participated in a presentation with Action for Children at Refugee ministries.
- OCF state co-hosted with OPNFF the “2016 Fatherhood Summit”
- OCF Staff met with Dr. Stacy Scott, a contractor with NIH regarding her work with various African-American Greek Fraternities, interested in possibly funding a pilot project as it relates to the NBNF project.
- OCF continues its involvement with other organizations and institutions for the ongoing success of the commission.

Director Dent’s report is posted on the OCF website.

VI. Report from Researcher II

11:30-11:45

Elena Martinez

OCF’s New Researcher II, Ms. Elena Martinez explained her approach to the development of the methodology to be used for the collection of data for the NBNF grant. Ms. Martinez plans to work with the NBNF Project manager, Ohio University, Mathematica, technical assistance and Health and Human Services / Administration of Children and Families. Ms. Martinez will also assist with NBNF grant deliverables, create consent forms to conduct surveys and assist OCF grantees with data collection; all while staying in compliance with the federal requirements. Ms. Martinez will be working with the nFORM system, which is designed to collect data from fathers receiving services under the NBNF grant. Her goal is to shed light on the need for involved fathers in the lives of children across the state of Ohio.

VII. Announcements and New Business

11:50-12:00	Kimberly Dent
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Commissioner Commitments for June Responsible Fatherhood events• Minutes could not be approved; Commissioners did not have quorum• Commissioner Kim Hettel discussed Start Talking Now Parenting Program	
VIII. Adjourn	
12:00	Meeting Adjourned