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Family Resource Network (FRN) Regional Council Meeting Minutes

Thursday, May 14, 2026
3:00-4:30pm, MS Teams

Attendance

Present

- Susan Caskey
- Suzanne Crawford
- Elizabeth Crowe
- Jorge De Santiago
- Kaycee Headrick
- Heather Marcy
- Debbie Pope
- Karin Stayton
- Annette Treufeldt-Franck

Absent

- BVSD (Vacant Seat)
- Robin Bohannon
- Marc Cowell
- Samma Fox
- Nancy Herbert
- Jennifer Leosz
- Lexi Nolen
- Simon Smith
- Johnny Terrell
- Hilda Zamora Hursh

Staff Present

- Georgina Becerril
- Heidi Grove
- Liz Izaguirre
- Joni Lynch
- Gwen Mossman
- Katie Warning
- Whitney Wilcox

Welcome and Introductions

The Family Resource Network (FRN) Regional Council Meeting was called to order by Elizabeth at 3:03pm. Members introduced themselves and participated in an ice breaker activity.

Approval of March 2026 FRN Regional Council Meeting Minutes

Elizabeth asked for a motion to approve or amend the March 2026 Meeting Minutes. Debbie motioned to approve with Susan seconding the motion. The motion to approve passed unanimously.

Updated 2026-2027 Strategic Framework

Whitney provided an overview of the final draft of the 2026-2027 FRN Strategic Framework. Using priorities identified during the November 2025 All FRN Event, this final version of the framework incorporated feedback from the Regional Council during its March meeting and the Local Area Collaboratives (LAC) during their April meeting. Aside from minor editing, two primary changes included

- Adding “Potential” in front of the “Key Actions” subheadings to reflect the intent that projects continue to be refined as the workplan is built out
- Updating the timeline for work on the framework’s goals based on feedback regarding the pace of implementation.

Next, Whitney clarified that the intent of including SNAP work requirement engagement in the framework (i.e., priority 4, goal 1) was to align with and leverage efforts underway by Boulder County Human Services staff with more information about existing work and how the FRN can support it coming at a future Regional Council meeting. Elizabeth explained how the framework was designed to guide and drive the work of the FRN over the next few years with a focus on collaboration with existing work across the safety net in these areas. Debbie affirmed this approach.

Lastly, Whitney provided an overview of Regional Council meeting focus areas for the remainder of 2026 with the following proposed schedule

- July: Discuss Priority 2 (i.e., housing stability and eviction prevention) through shared learned on the EPRAS model and Priority 4 (i.e., health equity and access) with a focus on coordination around SNAP work requirements.
- September: Receive updates on the work of the Family Homelessness Subcommittee and discuss Priority 3 (i.e., coordination and collaboration) by exploring how to partner with the Human Services Alliance.
- November: Review issues elevated from the LAC’s work on Priority 1 (i.e., navigation and referral systems) by addressing system challenges identified across safety net referral and eligibility practices.

Susan expressed appreciation for this approach and the mapping out of the Regional Council's work over the next six months; Jorge agreed. Kaycee asked if additional topics might be woven into these discussions, especially considering the upcoming election cycles. Elizabeth shared that she anticipated the Regional Council adapting as additional issues came up over the summer and fall. Debbie highlighted that the September meeting's focus on collaboration with other groups was strategically designed to create a space for discussion on ballot measures that might impact the FRN's work.

Elizabeth asked for a motion to approve or amend the 2026-2027 FRN Strategic Framework as presented to the Regional Council. Motion to approve the framework as made by Suzanne and seconded by Kaycee; the motion passed unanimously. Members expressed appreciation for everyone who worked on developing and refining the framework.

Emerging Issues from Partners

Elizabeth opened the discussion for members to share any pressing trends, items of concern, or ways to partner with and lift each other up across the safety net. Annette asked about the timeline for bringing recommendations to the Regional Council around folding mountain safety net provider representation into the Boulder and Longmont LACs. Liz provided an overview of the timeline of activities associated with this work as follows

- March: Regional Council members updated on the dissolution of the Mountain Human Services Collaborative (MHSC) and approved proposal to expand the Boulder and Longmont LACs to include southern and northern safety net providers, respectively.
- April: LAC members updated on the dissolution of the MHSC and proposal for adjusting the Boulder and Longmont LACs.
- May: Boulder and Longmont LAC members vote on proposed organizations to include as well as a name change to better reflect the expanded geographic coverage of the LACs.
- July: Present recommendations from the Boulder and Longmont LACs to the Regional Council for approval.
- July/August: Following approval, invite identified organizations to join the LACs.
- August: First meeting of expanded LACs.

Kaycee shared that the Early Childhood Council of Boulder County (ECCBC) was currently polling on the topic of childcare to get a sense of how voters felt about available care in the region. She requested that members not ignore calls from the 720 area code this week so that they could provide input on this process.

Heather shared that Safehouse Progressive Alliance for Nonviolence (SPAN) hosted their annual gala earlier this month. The event had a special energy of celebration and partnership.

Other members shared that there were no additional updates or emerging items of concern. Elizabeth thanked members for attending the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:34pm.