

AGENDA
Children & Youth Subcommittee
of the
Senate Interim Committee on Children & Youth
House Children & Youth Permanent Subcommittee of the Aging, Children & Youth, Legislative & Military Affairs Interim Committee
Meeting Jointly

Thursday, December 19, 2013

01:00 PM

Room 130, State Capitol

Little Rock, Arkansas

Sen. Bart Hester, Chair
Sen. Robert Thompson
Sen. Linda Chesterfield
Sen. Jim Hendren
Sen. Stephanie Flowers, ex officio

Rep. Justin T. Harris, Chair
Rep. Charlene Fite, Vice Chair
Rep. Frederick Smith
Rep. Randy Alexander
Rep. Mike Holcomb
Rep. Deborah Ferguson
Rep. David Meeks, ex officio
Rep. Warwick Sabin, ex officio

- A. Call to Order
- B. Remarks: Committee Co-Chairs
- C. Department of Human Services (DHS), Division of Children and Family Services
 - Cecile Blucker, Director, DCFS
 - Requirements to become a foster parent in Arkansas
 - Process a child goes through from first call to DCFS until reunification / adoption
- D. The Children of Arkansas Loved for a Lifetime (The CALL)
 - Julia DesCarpentrie, Foster Parent
- E. Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA)
 - Representative Charlene Fite
- F. Discussion of Foster Care System
 - Issues and Concerns of Legislators
 - Vaccination Waivers for foster families
 - Suggestions for Improvement
- G. Other Business
- H. Adjournment

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