

2015 Child Support Schedule Workgroup
Meeting of May 22, 2015
L&I Headquarters
Tumwater, WA

Workgroup Members attending: Wally McClure, Dr. Robert Plotnick, Judge Richard Okrent, Merrie Gough, Tami Chavez, Kevin Callaghan, David Hayes, Coti Westby, Ami Abuan, Kristopher Amblad, Melora Sharts, Charles Szurszewski, Nathaniel Hildebrandt, Inga Laurent, Kala Jackson,

DCS Staff: Sharon Redmond, Nancy Koptur, Robert Bates, Janina Oestreich

Guests: Cindy Bricker, Dave Brown, David Johnson, Daryl

I. Introductions

- a. Workgroup members and Workgroup staff introduced themselves.
- b. New members introduced
- c. Staff roles and responsibilities discussed.

II. Review of Agenda

The group reviewed the Draft Agenda.

III. Subcommittee Report out

- a. Adjustment vs. Deviation
 - i. Reviewed other states laws finding 34 states have statutes identifying parenting time as the determining factor in child support
 - ii. Shared parenting plans seem to be the trend
- b. Unit of Measure
 - i. Used visual displays to demonstrate how differing formulas could affect outcomes in support
 - ii. Reviewed various states with similar statutes as well as outcomes and effects of used formulas

IV. Working Lunch - Short break to gather food

V. Subcommittee Report out continued

- a. Parenting Plans
 - i. Discussion focusing on enforcement of parenting plans and verbiage needed and possible avenues to use for enforcement of plans

VI. Work group check in

- a. Work group discussed ideas presented by subcommittees, addressing how the group would like to see the subcommittees' progress in the future.
- b. Voted on priorities
 - i. Adjustment vs. deviation
 1. Automatic adjustment based on time giving the court the ability to deviate at their discretion
 2. Burden shifts to why there should be an adjustment
 3. No impact to low income
 4. Advisory adjustment
 5. Follow up

