

CHILDREN'S SERVICES COUNCIL OF BROWARD COUNTY

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September 24, 2020

4:00 P.M.

Minutes

Members in Attendance:

School Board Member Robin Bartleman; Governor Appointee Cathy Donnelly (Chair); Broward County Commissioner Beam Furr; Judge Kenneth L. Gillespie; Governor Appointee David H. Kenton; DCF Community Development Administrator Dawn Liberta; Governor Appointee Tom Powers; School Superintendent Robert W. Runcie; Governor Appointee Maria Schneider; Health Department Director Paula Thaqi; Governor Appointee Jeffrey S. Wood

Counsel Present:

Garry Johnson, Esq.

Council Members Absent:

None

Staff in Attendance:

Cindy Arenberg Seltzer, President/CEO; Monti Larsen, COO; Sandra Bernard-Bastien; Maria Juarez; Sue Gallagher; Marlando Christie; Laura Ganci; Dion Smith; Nancy Cohn; Michelle Hamilton; Kathleen Campbell; Andrew Leone; Amy Jacques; Madeline Jones; Marissa Aquino; Gloria Putiak; Jennifer Wennberg; Kyle Jones; Megan Turetsky; Brooke Sherman; Marissa Greif-Hackett; Andria Dewson; Camila Romero; Carl Dasse; Meg Wallace; Piper Weber; Liza Khan; Lynn Kalmes; Erin Byrne; Joshua Caraballo; Pooja Yajnik; Karen Franceschini; Angie Buchter; Keisha Grey; Keyonia Lawson; Akil Edwards; Colleen Carpenter; Parry Silcox; Jill Denis-Lay; Danielle Bachelder; Jennifer Fletcher; Jeff Glover; Roxanne Smith; Michelle Hagues; Shawanda Spencer; Trisha Dowell; Cynthia Reynoso; Nelson Giraldo; Johnsingh Jeyasingh; Jessica Rincon; Katrina Welch; Adamma DuCille; Clarice Horton; Betty Dominguez; Judy Jones; Diego Alvarez; Yolanda Meadows; Travis Johnson

Guests in Attendance:

See Attachment 1

Agenda:

I. Call to Order:

Ms. Donnelly called the meeting to order at 4:00 P.M.

II. Roll Call:

The roll was called and a quorum was established with the presence of Ms. Donnelly, Judge Gillespie, Dr. Kenton, Ms. Liberta, Mr. Powers, Ms. Schneider, and Mr. Wood.

III. Chair's Report:

a) Mindful Moment:

During this moment of silence, Ms. Donnelly requested remembrance of Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg and Mr. Rick Case in honor of their respective impactful service to our country and community.

b) Comments:

Ms. Donnelly highlighted the Racial Equity Institute (REI) Groundwater presentations, which were conducted virtually and generated a wait list. She noted that additional presentations and workshops will be added in the future and encouraged Council Members to attend. She added that the virtual nature of the presentation made it more imitate and delivered an enhanced experience.

Ms. Donnelly briefly highlighted the recent virtual kick-off event for Zero Suicide Broward. She noted that September is National Suicide Prevention Awareness Month, and that the kick-off event was recorded so that community members can conveniently listen to it.

Ms. Bartleman joined the meeting.

IV. President's Report:

a) Good of the Order:

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer highlighted the successful distribution of 8,500 backpacks filled with school supplies that were delivered by more than 60 agencies and organizations, including the CSC-funded learning pods. Food bags were also available at the distribution sites. She thanked Judge Gillespie for volunteering at a distribution site, and noted that an additional 2,500 backpacks, as well as uniforms and shoes, will be distributed over

the next two weeks by school social workers through five school “boutiques.”

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer briefly mentioned the Zero Suicide Broward partnership with the United Way of Broward County, Broward Behavioral Health Coalition, Department of Children and Families, Broward County, and 2-1-1.

Broward: Read for the Record will be held virtually this year on October 29th, with volunteers reading the book *Evelyn Del Rey is Moving Away*. Nine entities have also agreed to mount StoryWalks for adults to read the story to accompanying children as they walk through the designated outside areas. Members viewed the Read for the Record television ad created by M Network.

CSC is partnering with the United Way of Broward County and the Jewish Federation of Broward County to host a virtual Candidate Connection on October 5th at 1:00pm. This year’s session will focus on the potential Freshmen Class, giving the candidates the opportunity to talk to the human services community, and an opportunity for the human services community to educate candidates on important issues and available resources for children and families in Broward County.

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer briefly recapped recent CSC media activities, including an NBC 6 interview, a Washington Post article mentioning CSC-funded learning pods, and inclusion in the upcoming Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance Economic Sourcebook.

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer announced that CSC was named in the estate of Carol Rogus of Pompano Beach to receive two percent of the net funds in her Trust. CSC will receive \$14,000 to be used for K-12 education. Acceptance and designation of those funds will be brought to the Council in the future. She noted that current thinking is utilizing those funds for Back-to-School Extravaganza supplies.

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer recognized the service of Ms. Michelle Rogers, who has been running the Nurturing Parenting Program for Family Central since its inception and thanked her for being a tireless friend of CSC and Broward’s children and families. Ms. Rogers will be moving to North Carolina.

Commissioner Furr, Superintendent Runcie, and Dr. Thaqi joined the meeting.

b) CSC Update RE: COVID-19:

- i. Clear Masks:
- ii. Learning Pods:

ACTION: Ms. Bartleman made a motion to approve all action items presented under the COVID-19 Update, which included approval of the purchase of clear masks for providers who work with newborns, as well as children who are hearing impaired; ratification of funding for learning pods for low-income families; approval of the closure of learning pods to coincide with the school reopening date; and authorization for the CEO to extend JFACO's contract and allocate up to an additional \$200,000 for learning pod services through 10/30/2020, if necessary, all as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Furr and passed with no opposing votes.

c) Antiterrorism and Emergency Assistance Program (AEAP) Grant Update:

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer noted that staff were working on submitting the AEAP invoice as soon as possible and that the agreement with the City of Parkland that was included in the meeting information packet will assist with that. She stated that she expects full reimbursement for that payment through the first invoice submitted under the grant since there have already been several conversations with the Attorney General's office about it.

d) Racial Equity Update:

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer noted that the Racial Equity Institute (REI) has adapted both its two-day workshop and Groundwater presentation to virtual sessions and that good reviews have been received so far.

V. Consent Agenda:

- a) August 20, 2020, Council Meeting Minutes:
- b) September 8, 2020, TRIM Hearing Minutes:
- c) Henderson Behavioral Health Letter of Agreement RE: LIP Funding:
- d) HOPE South Florida Contingent Renewal:
- e) Child Welfare Youth System Organizing Pilot (CWYSOP) RFQ Award:
- f) DJJ Data Sharing Renewal:
- g) BBHC and Carisk Data Sharing Renewal:
- h) Ark of Freedom Alliance – Broward County Trafficking Collective Impact Steering Committee:
- i) Accounting Adjustments for the Youth REI Workshop:
- j) Non-Renewal of Soref JCC Food Boxes Contract:
- k) Public Awareness Media and Collateral Purchase Plan:
- l) Interim Financial Statements and Budget Amendments for August 2020:
- m) Invoices, P.O.s & Contracts:

Mr. Powers temporarily pulled item d) to seek clarification on why the United Way of Broward County was no longer providing match funding to Hope South Florida. Ms. Arenberg Seltzer clarified that the United Way of Broward County was seeking some different outcome measures and that COVID had changed their funding priorities around homelessness. Mr. Powers indicated he was satisfied with that answer and put the item back on the Consent Agenda.

ACTION: Mr. Powers made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The Consent Agenda items included approval of the August 20, 2020, Council meeting minutes; approval of the September 8, 2020, TRIM Hearing minutes; approval of the Letter of Agreement with the Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA) on behalf of Henderson Behavioral Health; approval of the HOPE South Florida leverage contract renewal, contingent upon leverage confirmation; approval of the CWYSOP RFQ award; approval of the amendment to the Data sharing Agreement with DJJ; approval of the renewal of the Data Sharing Agreement with BBHC and Carisk; approval of joining the Ark of Freedom Alliance – Broward County Collective Impact Initiative; approval of the accounting adjustments for revenue and related expenditures for the Youth REI Workshop; approval of the non-renewal of the Out-of-School-Time food boxes distribution contract with SOREF JCC; approval of the Public Awareness Media and Collateral Purchase Plan; approval of the

budget amendments and interim financial statements for period ending August 31, 2020, and approval of CSC monthly/annual purchases for FY 2020/2021. The motion was seconded by Ms. Schneider and passed with no opposing votes.

- n) Trauma Services Update for the Broward Behavioral Health Coalition (BBHC) and the Center for Mind Body Medicine (CMBM):

Ms. Juarez explained that there was a request of staff at the June Joint Finance & Program Planning Committee meeting to compile a report documenting CSC's trauma work in order to help inform the expansion of trauma services to the wider community. The Eagles' Haven status update was delivered at the June Council meeting, and information on trauma services provided by BBHC and CMBM were included in this month's information packet. She noted that both programs are performing well and providing high-quality services.

VI. Agency Capacity Building Committee Report:

Dr. Kenton gave an update on the Agency Capacity Building Mini-Grants process, noting that applicant interviews were held earlier today and that the recommendations will be considered by the Council at its next monthly meeting on October 15th.

Mr. Wood summarized the recent meeting of the Agency Capacity Building Committee and highlighted upcoming training opportunities.

VII. Funders Forum Report:

Ms. Juarez referred Members to the meeting minutes contained in the information packet.

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer thanked Ms. Juarez for her efforts coordinating the community learning pods, including writing the application overnight and spearheading the process to completion. In turn, Ms. Juarez thanked the Program Services team, including Ms. Meg Wallace.

VIII. Public Comment:

There were no comments from the public.

IX. Council Members' Comments:

There were no comments from Members.

X. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:37pm.



Kenneth L. Gillespie, Secretary

ATTCH 1

MEETING ATTENDEES

*denotes speaker

Name	Organization
Mark Reyes	Urban League of Broward County
Cynthia Moreno	Harmony Development Center
Grace Ramos	The M Network
Andy Fernandez	Firewall Centers
Alison Rodriguez	YMCA of South Florida
Alice-Lydia Bird	YMCA of South Florida
Lisa Clements	YMCA of South Florida
Michelle Rosegreen	Family Central, Inc.
Donna Lavalle	Smith Community Mental Health
Michelle Rogers	Family Central/KIDs
Mark Russell	YMCA of South Florida
Regine Kanzki	Crockett Foundation