



Human Services Department

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS DIVISION / Children's Services Administration

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Broward County Board of County Commissioners
Children's Services Board
Regular Meeting Minutes – May 17, 2024 9:00
am – 11:00 A.M.

1. Call to Order

Evan Goldman called the meeting to order at 9:02 A.M. and welcomed all Board Members.

2. Roll Call

Monica King called the roll.

A quorum was established with Evan Goldman, Monica King, Daniel Schevis, Joel Smith, Malena Mendez, Sarah Gillespie Cummings, Teves Bush, Traci Schweitzer, and Veda Hudge present. Burton Miller, Cara Malave, Elida Segrera, Jarvis Brunson and Dr. Thomas L. Walker via TEAMS. After the roll-call Cassandra Burrel and Maria Juarez Stouffer present, and Commissioner Michael Udine via TEAMS.

Members absent: Brenda Fam

Staff Members in attendance: Cassandra Evans, Community Partnerships Division (CPD) Assistant Director, Dr. Tiffany Hill-Howard, Children's Services Administrator (CSA), Sandra Meza Hernandez (CSA) and Ronald Honick, Assistant County Attorney present.

3. Approval of CSB April 19, 2024, Minutes

Motion: To approve the April 19, 2024 meeting's minutes as presented by staff.

First: Dan Schevis

Second: Veda Hudge

Declaration of Conflict: None

Discussion: None

Result: Passed

4. Chair Report

Evan Goldman informed CSB members that Sunset Review survey will be reviewed during the next June's CSB meeting.

5. Section Report

RFP Update



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Dr. Tiffany Hill-Howard gave an update of the RFP process. County Staff are still under the cone of silence. The application process closed April 10, 2024. May 6 through May 22 is the window for applicant interviews and the funding recommendations will be May 31st.

June Proclamation

Dr. Hill-Howard informed that June is National Children's Month, it will be proclaimed during the Board of County Commissioners-BOCC meeting on Tuesday, June 18th, sponsored by Commissioner Udine.

On May 21st at the BOCC session will be the Mental Health Awareness proclamation ceremony; however, at the June meeting CSB will be receiving this proclamation.

Baker Act Pilot

The reallocation of the \$385,000 was approved by the BOCC on the May 7th meeting. \$250,000 was allocated for the Baker Act transportation pilot program in Broward County and \$135,000 for addressing violence in the community. Staff is working internally with two workgroups that includes partners such as The Broward School Board, Broward Behavioral Health, the Children Services Council, BSO to address final details.

Members discussed about this update.

Utilization Report and Mid-Year Reallocation Recommendation

Dr. Hill-Howard mentioned that the report on the package is not a complete utilization report for the first 2024 quarter taking into consideration that billing is a month behind. The report also shows the list of providers and service category that based on utilization, will receive a 10+% of funds increase to place the money where is needed. She mentioned that Staff spoke and negotiated directly with the providers who did not meet the quarterly outcomes; therefore, will have a slight decrease in every category. The last page of the report breaks down the adjusted funding impact for the areas that will be reduced.

Members discussed about these updates.

6. Committee Chair Reports

Needs Assessment

Maria Juarez Stouffer recapped the need for the NAC, that CSB members need to vote for the 10% funds increase.

Motion: To approve the increase of 10% for all the agencies as presented by staff – except for Early Learning Coalition - ELC and The School Board of Broward County.

First: Dan Schevis

Second: Sarah Gillespie Cummings

Declaration of Conflict: None

Discussion: None

Result: Passed

Motion: To approve the increase of 10% for Early Learning Coalition of Broward County – ELC, as presented by staff.

First: Joel Smith

Second: Malena Mendez

Declaration of Conflict: Monica King and Tracy Schweitzer

Discussion: None

Result: Passed

Motion: To approve the increase of 10% for the School Board of Broward County, as presented by staff.

First: Dan Schevis

Second: Malena Mendez

Declaration of Conflict: Veda Hudge

Discussion: None

Result: Passed

Motion: To approve CSB Chair to sign the letter to support the mid-year reallocation funding recommendations for FY24 contracts, as presented by Staff.

First: Dan Schevis

Second: Monica King

Declaration of Conflict: None

Discussion: None

Result: Passed

7. Broward County Public Schools Presentation (presentations are included in the agenda packet for reference)

Veda Hudge introduced the presentations from their Emotional Behavior Disabilities - EBT Centers and The Education Department. She introduced as well Dr. Leo Nesmith, Regional Director.

Whispering Pines School, presented by Dr. Maribel Nadal and Eugenia Dujovne.

Preschool Assessment Team Update presented by Diane Eagan, Executive Director for Exceptional Student Education.

Presenters imparted an overview of the services provided to families in Broward County.

A question-and-answer period followed each presentation.

8. Liaison Reports

BCPS

Veda Hudge shared that she will continue to bring her colleagues from School Board for updates. She informed that their Organizational Chart would go to the Board on Tuesday, Departments across the district are requesting changes and moves. Schools will have an early start this year, August 12.

DCF

Traci Schweitzer shared details on the responses they try to provide to all emails and calls received from the Court, regarding children that are being released from the DJJ system and there is a problem with them going home. She mentioned that they do a lot of staffing flow, overview teams and staff, and with community providers they try to give a solution to every difficult situation. Since May 2022 they have hone 119 local review team staffing.

Juvenile Justice

Teves Bush informed that the DJJ system is still being impacted. Their IT department is working diligently. They are testing a new system for the next few weeks. Unfortunately, all their providers will be the last ones to be back online.

Special Needs

No report.

System of Care

Elida gave an update on the BBT trainings. They have had already 3 trainings which had dropped on the attendance. They are still working on the Trauma initiative; they have multiple cohorts already and are very enthusiastic about this new approach. CSC and BBHC project are finalizing the details for the case management of youth.

9. New Business

None.

10. Old Business

Monica King mentioned the technical issues these meetings have had lately at that location. Staff will investigate other options of venues allowed by the County for the CSB meetings.

11. Public Comment

None

12. Good of the Order

None

13. Adjournment

Motion: To adjourn CSB meeting at 11:01 A.M.

First: Monica King

Second: Maria Juarez Stouffer

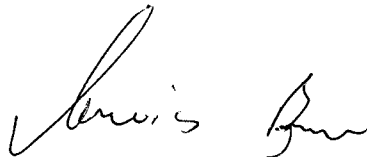
Declaration of Conflict: None

Discussion: None

Result: Passed

The next Children's Services Board Meeting is June 21, 2024.

These minutes were approved at the Children's Services Board Meeting dated June 21, 2024, as certified by:



Jarvis Brunson
Children's Services Board Secretary