

CHILDREN'S SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Indian River County (IRC) Children's Services Advisory Committee (CSAC) met at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, March 13, 2017, in County Administration Building B 1800 27th Street, Vero Beach, Florida.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Miranda Hawker, IRC Health Department, Chairman
Michele Falls, District 4 Appointee
Caryn Toole, Member at Large
Bob McPartlan, Department of Children and Families (DCF) Appointee
Kip Jacoby, Member-at-Large Appointee
Judy Jones, District 2 Appointee
Hope Woodhouse, District 3 Appointee
Dr. Mark Rendell, School District of Indian River County
Paul Reeves, District 1 Appointee
Deryl Loar, Sheriff, Appointee
Victoria Griffin, Judge, Ex-Officio
Peter O'Bryan, Non-Voting Commission Liaison

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Paul Tanner, District 5 Appointee

IRC Staff:

Brad Bernauer, IRC Human Services Director
Lisa Carlson, Recording Secretary (Not Present)

Call to Order

Ms. Hawker called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m., at which time it was determined there was a quorum present.

Approval of Minutes December 12, 2016

ON MOTION BY Mr. McPartlan, SECONDED BY Mr. Jacoby, the members voted unanimously (11-0) to approve the minutes of December 12, 2016 with the changes noted.

Needs Committee Report - Ms. Hope Woodhouse

Ms. Woodhouse announced there would be no major changes made to the Needs Assessment from last year. She clarified that the top priority would be early childhood development, the second would be building parent capacities and third would be after

school/summer recreational and academic activities.

Grant Review Report - Mr. Kip Jacoby

Mr. Jacoby advised that the Grant Review Subcommittee had been meeting the past few months to come up with a plan for the upcoming grant cycle and to prioritize agency site visits. He went on to say that in February and March they met with existing agencies Daisy Hope Center, The Learning Alliance and Education Foundation and he stated that there are no concerns to report.

Mr. Jacoby reported that the Subcommittee has scheduled site visits with newly funded programs Crossover Community Church, Feed the Lambs, Pelican Island Audubon Society, Striving 4 Success and Willis Sports.

CSAC Request For Proposal (RFP) 2017 - Mr. Brad Bernauer

Mr. Brad Bernauer had previously distributed the updated RFP for members to review, copies of which are on file in the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) office. He summarized that it is similar to last year's but with different focus areas and reorganized financials. He added that another change this year was that they were using the County's electronic method of submitting application responses rather than receiving thirteen paper copies from each agency.

ON MOTION BY Mr. McPartlan, SECONDED BY Ms. Falls, the members voted unanimously (11-0) to approve the Request for Proposal as presented.

Chairman's Report - Ms. Miranda Hawker

Ms. Hawker reported that the Health Department has been working with the school district and Dr. Rendell on cooking classes in the elementary schools. The hope is that the program will help reduce child obesity. Using volunteer chefs, the first class was held about a month ago, at the Gifford Health Center and while there were only six participants in person, there were over five hundred views on the Facebook livestream.

Ms. Hawker described a short term \$270,000 Nurse Family Partnership grant opportunity from the Department of Health. She stated that it would benefit the Healthy Start Coalition in addressing health issues of women as well as children under age three and that she was hopeful that the County would be selected for this grant.

Ms. Hawker explained that the Department of Health would become involved in the City of Fellsmere's decision to discontinue drinking water fluoridation effective March 2, 2017 due to budget constraints. She went on to say that there are opportunities to give good public health information to the city council in hopes that they may reconsider their decision. They want to point out that the Florida Surgeon General as well as the United States Surgeon General support fluoridation as it reduces cavities by twenty-five percent with each dollar spent reducing treatment costs by \$38, a huge return on investment.

Next Meeting Date

The next meeting is scheduled June 12, 2017 at 5:30 PM in IRC Bldg. B, room B1-501.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:50 p.m.