



## Children's Services Advisory Board

May 22, 2019

A meeting of the Children's Services Advisory Board of Manatee County, Florida, was held at the Manatee County Administration Building, 1112 Manatee Avenue West, Manatee Room, Bradenton, FL 34205, on Wednesday May 22, 2019 at 3:00 p.m.

### Roll Call

**Present:** Xtavia Bailey, Sandra Stone, Amy Diss, Jeremy Giddens, Pierrette Kelly, Kimberly Kutch, Cornelle Maxfield, Gina Messenger, Debbie Tapp, Gail Wynne, George Van Buren, Kelly Hunt.

**Absent:** None

### Also Present

County Staff: Ava Ehde, Susan Ford, Lawanda Timmons, James Slusser, Chris HandyHoneycutt; Deja Rivera. Members of the Public: Charmain Miller, Drena Green, Becky Canesse, Char Young, Laurel Lynch, Carol Hunt, Barbara Harvey, Paul Sharff, Kevin Mulcahy, Gigi Kelly, Melinda Thompson, Kristina Tincer, Elsa Hanna, Julia Robertson, Cheryl Andrews, Beth Clark, Michael Wood, Dawn Stanhope, Katrina Bellemare, Jennifer Radebach, Kim Ross, Kelly Benford, Jacque Ruch, Silvia Cruz, Nathan Scott, Nicole Murby, Barbara Patten

### Call to Order/Welcome

Xtavia Bailey, Chair called the meeting to order at 3:06 p.m.

### Approval of Minutes

**Motion:** Minutes for May 15, 2019, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Gail Wynne, **Seconded by** Kimberly Kutch, **Vote:** Motion passed (**Summary:** Yes = 11, No = 0, Abstain = 0).

*Cornelle Maxfield entered the meeting at 3:13pm*

### Review of Investment Materials

Susan Ford provided information about the materials included in the board packets. The handouts included: FY2019-20 Children's Services Investment Recommendations - Sorted by Result Score and Alpha, that listed Programs Requesting Funding Under a Priority Category (Children in foster care exit to a permanent home within 12 month or less of entering care; Children do not re-enter care within 12 months of moving to a permanent home; Students improve reading skills to attain grade level before 4<sup>th</sup> grade; Improve student behavior and fewer incidents of out of school suspension); Special Programs and Other request for investment consideration, Request for increase FY19/20, listing the explanations for increase requested, Programs requesting – non-priority.

Susan Ford provided the following on declaring a Conflict of Interest: Staff will provide a Form 8B (Memorandum of Voting Conflict for County Public Officers) to be completed when you have a conflict of interest of affiliation with an agency that has requested funding. Abstain from

discussion, votes, or rating of programs when a conflict exists. No discussion or voting on that program or agency.

A conflict was declared by Gina Messenger who is a paid School Board Member with The School District of Manatee County. She completed a Form 8B.

**Motion:** Level Funding (FY18-19) for all program meeting a Priority with a results score of 17.0 or higher as follows: #1 The Florida Center for Early Childhood (Early Childhood Court)- \$329,287; #2 Sarasota Family Young Men's Christian Association (Family Preservation and Reunification Program)- \$226,967; #3 Parenting Matters (Chosen Families) - \$366,500; #4 Early Learning Coalition of Manatee County (Early Care & Education)- \$2,260,143; #5 Palmetto Youth Center - \$254,309 (Foundation for Excellence); #7 The Myakka City Community Center (Morning, After-Care & Summer)- \$132,002; #9 AMIKids Manatee (Manatee Prevention)- \$60,000; #10 Big Brothers Big Sister of the Sun Coast (Juvenile Justice Mentoring)- \$31,500; #11 Boys & Girls Club of Manatee County (Great Futures Start Here)- \$488,000; #12 Centerstone of Florida (Children's Community Action Team) - \$660,916; #13 Family Resources (CERTAIN)- \$217,711; #15 Just for Girls (GAPS)- \$244,439; #16 Sarasota Manatee Association for Riding Therapy (Therapeutic Horseback Riding)- \$13,500; #17 The School District of Manatee County-(ATOSS) \$184,303, **Action:** To Approve, **Moved by** Kimberly Kutch, **Seconded by** Debbie Tapp, **Vote:** Motion passed (**Summary:** Yes = 12, No = 0, Abstain = 0). Motion passed unanimously.

**Motion:** Level funding (FY18-19) for the following program meeting a Priority: #6 The D.L. Randall Foundation (An Uprising in the Village)- \$120,000 **Action:** To Approve, **Moved by** Cornelle Maxfield, **Seconded by** Jeremy Giddens, **Vote:** Motion passed (**Summary:** Yes = 8, No = 4, Abstain = 0). **Assenting Votes:** Xtavia Bailey, Gail Wynne, Jeremy Giddens, Cornelle Maxfield, Gina Messenger, Amy Diss, Pierrette Kelly, George Van Buren **Dissenting Votes:** Kimberly Kutch, Debbie Tapp, Sandra Stone, Kelly Hunt

**Motion:** Level funding (FY18-19) for the following program meeting a Priority: #8 United Community Centers (BASE+)- \$345,326, **Action:** To Approve, **Moved by** George Van Buren, **Seconded by** Pierrette Kelly, **Vote:** Motion passed (**Summary:** Yes = 7, No = 5, Abstain = 0). **Assenting Votes:** Xtavia Bailey, Debbie Tapp, Jeremy Giddens, Cornelle Maxfield, Gina Messenger, Pierrette Kelly, George Van Buren **Dissenting Votes=** Kimberly Kutch, Gail Wynne, Sandra Stone, Kelly Hunt, Amy Diss

**Motion:** Level funding (FY18-19) for the Special Programs, as follows: #18 Florida Department of Health (Child Welfare Policy Coordinator)-\$41,000, #19 Feeding Empty Little Tummys (Weekend Meals) - \$100,000, #20 Meals on Wheels Plus of Manatee (Emergency Food and Baby Baskets)-\$33,385 **Action:** To Approve, **Moved by** Kimberly Kutch, **Seconded by** Kelly Hunt, **Vote:** Motion passed (**Summary:** Yes = 12, No = 0, Abstain = 0). Motion passed unanimously

**Motion:** Fund the following program meeting a priority at FY2019/20 requested amount: #2 Sarasota Family Young Men's Christian Association (Family Preservation and Reunification Program)- \$340,000, **Action:** To Approve, **Moved by** Amy Diss, **Seconded by** Kimberly Kutch, **Vote:** Motion passed (**Summary:** Yes = 12, No = 0, Abstain = 0). Motion passed unanimously

**Motion:** Fund the following program meeting a priority at the amount requested for FY2019/20: #4 Early Learning Coalition of Manatee County (Early Care & Education)- \$2,510,143, **Action:** To Approve, **Moved by** Kimberly Kutch, **Seconded by** Debbie Tapp, **Vote:** Motion passed (**Summary:** Yes = 11, No = 1, Abstain = 0). **Assenting Votes:** Xtavia Bailey, Kimberly Kutch, Debbie Tapp, Gail Wynne, Jeremy Giddens, Sandra Stone, Kelly Hunt, Gina Messenger, Amy Diss, Pierrette Kelly, George Van Buren - **Dissenting Vote:** Cornelle Maxfield

**Motion:** Fund the following program meeting a Priority at the amount requested for FY2019/20: #10 Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Sun Coast (Juvenile Justice Mentoring)- \$35,000, **Action:** To Approve, **Moved by** Kimberly Kutch, **Seconded by** Jeremy Giddens, **Vote:** Motion passed (**Summary:** Yes = 12, No = 0, Abstain = 0). Motion passed unanimously

**Motion:** Fund the following program meeting a Priority at the amount requested for FY2019/20 #13 Family Resources (CERTAIN) - \$244,636 **Action:** To Approve, **Moved by** Jeremy Giddens, **Seconded by** Kimberly Kutch, **Vote:** Motion passed (**Summary:** Yes = 12, No = 0, Abstain = 0). Motion passed unanimously

**Motion:** Fund the following program meeting a Priority at the amount requested for FY2019/20: #9 AMIKids Manatee (Manatee Prevention)- \$80,000 **Action:** To Approve, **Moved by** Sandra Stone, **Seconded by** Cornelle Maxfield, **Vote:** Motion passed (**Summary:** Yes = 9, No = 3, Abstain = 0). **Assenting Votes:** Kimberly Kutch, Debbie Tapp, Gail Wynne, Cornelle Maxfield, Sandra Stone, Kelly Hunt, Gina Messenger, Pierrette Kelly **Dissenting Votes:** Xtavia Bailey, Jeremy Giddens, George Van Buren

**Motion:** Fund the following program meeting a Priority at amount requested for FY2019/20: #11 Boys & Girls Club of Manatee County (Great Futures Start Here)- \$610,000, **Action:** To Approve, **Moved by** Debbie Tapp, **Seconded by** Gina Messenger, **Vote:** Motion passed (**Summary:** Yes = 8, No = 4, Abstain = 0). **Assenting Votes:** Xtavia Bailey, Debbie Tapp, Cornelle Maxfield, Sandra Stone, Kelly Hunt, Gina Messenger, Pierrette Kelly, George Van Buren - **Dissenting Votes:** Kimberly Kutch, Gail Wynne, Jeremy Giddens, Amy Diss

**Motion:** Fund the following program meeting a Priority at the amount requested for FY2019/20: #15 Just for Girls-(GAPS) \$422,517, **Action:** To Approve, **Moved by** George Van Buren, **Seconded by** Cornelle Maxfield, **Vote:** Motion failed (**Summary:** Yes = 4, No = 8, Abstain = 0). **Assenting Votes:** Jeremy Giddens, Cornelle Maxfield, Pierrette Kelly, George Van Buren – **Dissenting Votes:** Xtavia Bailey, Kimberly Kutch, Debbie Tapp, Gail Wynne, Sandra Stone, Kelly Hunt, Gina Messenger, Amy Diss

**Motion:** Fund the following program meeting a Priority at amount requested for FY2019/20: #17 The School District of Manatee County (ATOSS) \$402,974, **Action:** To Approve, **Moved by** George Van Buren, **Seconded by** Sandra Stone, **Vote:** Motion failed (**Summary:** Yes = 5, No = 6, Abstain = 1). **Assenting Votes:** Kimberly Kutch, Cornelle Maxfield, Sandra Stone, Kelly Hunt, George Van Buren – **Dissenting Votes:** Xtavia Bailey, Debbie Tapp, Gail Wynne, Jeremy Giddens, Amy Diss, Pierrette Kelly – **Abstain:** Gina Messenger

**Motion:** Fund the following program meeting a Priority at \$366,658 (50% of requested increase) for FY2019/20: #15 Just for Girls (GAPS), **Action:** To Approve, **Moved by** Cornelle Maxfield, **Seconded by** George Van Buren, **Vote:** Motion passed (**Summary:** Yes = 9, No = 3, Abstain = 0). **Assenting Votes:** Xtavia Bailey, Debbie Tapp, Jeremy Giddens, Cornelle Maxfield, Sandra Stone, Kelly Hunt, Gina Messenger, Pierrette Kelly, George Van Buren - **Dissenting Votes:** Kimberly Kutch, Gail Wynne, Amy Diss

**Motion:** Fund the following programs at FY18/19 funding level amounts: #21 Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Suncoast (One to One Mentoring)- \$45,000, #22 Boys and Girls Clubs of Manatee (The Club-Teens Only)- \$155,606, #23 Centers for Success (After School Enhancement) - \$90,000, #24 Centerstone of Florida (Baker Act Youth)- \$130,441, #25 Centerstone of Florida (Child Welfare Diversion)- \$282,904, #26 Centerstone of Florida (Rape Crisis Child Advocacy)- \$99,747, #27 Community Coalition for Children and Youth (Alternative Path to Success)- \$75,000, #28 Easter Seals Southwest Florida (Family Support Services)- \$43,200, #29 Easter Seals Southwest Florida (Children's Therapy)- \$61,257, #30 Educational Consultants

Consortium (Iron Sharpening Iron)-\$114,790, #31 Family Resources (SafePlace2B)- \$60,000, #32 Foundation for Dreams (Dream Oaks Camp)- \$205,000, #34 HOPE Family Services (Children's Counseling)- \$231,315, #35 Insight Counseling (SOAR)- \$85,720, #36 Manatee Children's Services (Child Advocacy Center)-\$775,000, #37 Manatee Children's Services (Residential Programs)-\$160,000, #38 Just for Girls (GIRLS)- \$772,242, #39 PACE Center for Girls (Teenage Pregnancy Prevention)-\$ 184,276, #41 Parenting Matters (Partners in Education & Support)- \$222,520, #43 Step Up Suncoast (CATCH)- \$73,114, #44 Step Up Suncoast (Head Start and Early Head Start)- \$100,000, #45 Step Up Suncoast (Healthy Families Manatee)- \$218,750, #46 Step Up Suncoast (HIPPY)- \$179,825, #47 Step Up Suncoast (Parents as Teachers)- \$100,000, #48 Step Up Suncoast (Teaching our Toddlers)- \$91,955, #49 Step Up Suncoast (Whole Child Manatee)- \$150,949, #50 The Family Network on Disability (Parent Mentoring and Support)- \$14,000, #51 The Family Network on Disability (Sarasota/Manatee Respite)- \$40,000, **Action:** To Approve, **Moved by** Jeremy Giddens, **Seconded by** Kimberly Kutch, **Vote:** Motion passed (**Summary:** Yes = 10, No = 2, Abstain = 0). **Assenting Votes:** Xtavia Bailey, Kimberly Kutch, Debbie Tapp, Jeremy Giddens, Cornelle Maxfield, Sandra Stone, Kelly Hunt, Gina Messenger, Amy Diss, Pierrette Kelly - **Dissenting Votes:** Gail Wynne, George Van Buren

**Motion:** Recommend placing the \$500,000 in the program reserves, **Action:** To Approve, **Moved by** George Van Buren, **Seconded by** Cornelle Maxfield, **Vote:** Motion passed (**Summary:** Yes = 7, No = 5, Abstain = 0). **Assenting Votes:** Debbie Tapp, Gail Wynne, Cornelle Maxfield, Sandra Stone, Kelly Hunt, Pierrette Kelly, George Van Buren **Dissenting Votes:** Xtavia Bailey, Kimberly Kutch, Jeremy Giddens, Gina Messenger, Amy Diss

*George Van Buren exited the meeting @ 4:23 pm*

*Chair duties turned over to Sandra Stone, Vice-Chair*

**Motion:** Increase funding recommendation for the following programs from FY18/19 level funding to amounts requested for FY2019/20: #30 Educational Consultants Consortium (Iron Sharpening Iron)-\$122,815, #35 Insight Counseling (SOAR)- \$92,750, #41 Parenting Matters (Partners in Education & Support)- \$267,220, **Action:** To Approve, **Moved by** Xtavia Bailey, **Seconded by** Jeremy Giddens, **Vote:** Motion passed (**Summary:** Yes = 11, No = 0, Abstain = 0). Motion passed unanimously

*Vice-Chair returned duties back to the Chair, Xtavia Bailey*

**Motion:** Fund the following programs at FY18/19 funding level amount: #40 Palmetto Youth Center (HYPE)- \$102,626, #52 The Salvation Army (Family Shelter)- \$69,949, **Action:** To Approve, **Moved by** Debbie Tapp, **Seconded by** Kelly Hunt, **Vote:** Motion passed (**Summary:** Yes = 6, No = 5, Abstain = 0). **Assenting Votes:** Xtavia Bailey, Debbie Tapp, Jeremy Giddens, Cornelle Maxfield, Kelly Hunt, Pierrette Kelly – **Dissenting Votes:** Kimberly Kutch, Gail Wynne, Sandra Stone, Gina Messenger, Amy Diss

**Motion:** Increase funding recommendation for the following program from FY18/19 level funding to amount requested for FY2019/20: #25 Centerstone of Florida (Child Welfare Diversion)- \$353,135, **Action:** To Approve, **Moved by** Kimberly Kutch, **Seconded by** Amy Diss, **Vote:** Motion passed (**Summary:** Yes = 9, No = 2, Abstain = 0). **Assenting Votes:** Xtavia Bailey, Kimberly Kutch, Jeremy Giddens, Cornelle Maxfield, Sandra Stone, Kelly Hunt, Gina Messenger, Amy Diss, Pierrette Kelly – **Dissenting Votes:** Debbie Tapp, Gail Wynne

**Motion:** Increase funding recommendation for the following programs from FY18/19 level funding to amounts requested for FY2019/20: #28 Easter Seals Southwest Florida (Family Support Services)- \$51,840, #29 Easter Seals Southwest Florida (Children's Therapy)- \$67,382,

**Action:** To Approve, **Moved by** Jeremy Giddens, **Seconded by** Kelly Hunt, **Vote:** Motion passed (**Summary:** Yes = 8, No = 3, Abstain = 0). **Assenting Votes:** Xtavia Bailey, Kimberly Kutch, Gail Wynne, Jeremy Giddens, Cornelle Maxfield, Kelly Hunt, Gina Messenger, Pierrette Kelly – **Dissenting Votes:** Debbie Tapp, Sandra Stone, Amy Diss

**Motion:** Increase funding recommendation for the following program from FY18/19 level funding to amount requested for FY2019/20: #44 Step Up Suncoast (Head Start and Early Head Start)- \$150,000, **Action:** To Approve, **Moved by** Cornelle Maxfield, **Seconded by** Sandra Stone, **Vote:** Motion passed (**Summary:** Yes = 10, No = 1, Abstain = 0). **Assenting Votes:** Xtavia Bailey, Kimberly Kutch, Debbie Tapp, Gail Wynne, Jeremy Giddens, Cornelle Maxfield, Sandra Stone, Kelly Hunt, Gina Messenger, Pierrette Kelly – **Dissenting Vote:** Amy Diss

**Motion:** Fund the following program at FY18/19 funding level amount plus an additional amount of \$ 86,322: #38 Just for Girls (GIRLS)- \$858,564, **Action:** To Approve, **Moved by** Gail Wynne, **Seconded by** Cornelle Maxfield, **Vote:** Motion Failed (**Summary:** Yes = 3, No = 8, Abstain = 0). **Assenting Votes:** Gail Wynne, Cornelle Maxfield, Pierrette Kelly – **Dissenting Votes:** Xtavia Bailey, Kimberly Kutch, Debbie Tapp, Jeremy Giddens, Sandra Stone, Kelly Hunt, Gina Messenger, Amy Diss

**Motion:** Increase funding recommendation for the following program from FY18/19 level funding to amount requested for FY2019/20: #43 Step Up Suncoast (CATCH)- \$89,110, **Action:** To Approve, **Moved by** Amy Diss, **Seconded by** Cornelle Maxfield, **Vote:** Motion passed (**Summary:** Yes = 9, No = 2, Abstain = 0). **Assenting Votes:** Xtavia Bailey, Debbie Tapp, Jeremy Giddens, Cornelle Maxfield, Sandra Stone, Kelly Hunt, Gina Messenger, Amy Diss, Pierrette Kelly – **Dissenting Votes:** Kimberly Kutch, Gail Wynne

**Motion:** Recommend placing the remainder in the program reserves, **Action:** To Approve, **Moved by** Debbie Tapp, **Seconded by** Gina Messenger, **Vote:** Motion passed (**Summary:** Yes = 7, No = 4, Abstain = 0). **Assenting Votes:** Kimberly Kutch, Debbie Tapp, Sandra Stone, Kelly Hunt, Gina Messenger, Amy Diss, Pierrette Kelly – **Dissenting Votes:** Xtavia Bailey, Gail Wynne, Jeremy Giddens, Cornelle Maxfield

**Motion:** Accept all recommendations as final; total allocated for programs - \$11,962,898 (includes \$50,000 set aside funds for Grade Level Reading); and a 4.09% general reserve of \$525,626., **Action:** To Approve, **Moved by** Kimberly Kutch, **Seconded by** Pierrette Kelly, **Vote:** Motion passed (**Summary:** Yes = 11, No = 0, Abstain = 0). Motion passed unanimously.

## Staff Updates

Susan Ford gave an update on the vacant position. Interviews are set for June 3<sup>rd</sup>. She thanked Deja Rivera for her assistance with the fiscal portion of the meeting.

## New/Old Business

Members were asked if they wanted to have the meeting scheduled for July. The consensus was to cancel the July meeting and hold the next meeting in August.

Members voiced their appreciation to the staff for all their hard work in this process and proposed the focus of the CSAB retreat be on the applications and the funding process. Members were asked to provide comments in writing prior to the retreat on issues with the application and the funding process to allow planning.

## Public Comment

None

**Next Meeting**

The next meeting is scheduled for August 21, 2019, Manatee Room of the County Administrative Complex, 3:00 p.m.

**Adjourn**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:11 p.m.

**Approved**

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Xtavia Bailey, Chairman

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Date