



Children's Services Advisory Board

May 1, 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, April 17, 2019 at 3:00 p.m.

Roll Call

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

Absent (unexcused): George Van Buren

Excused: Kelly Hunt.

Also Present

County Staff: Susan Ford, Lawanda Timmons, James Slusser, Chris HandyHoneycutt, Kristi Hagen; Members of the Public: Jill Gass, Jometa Roberts, Barbara Harvey, Pam Parmenter, Kerry Gaylord, Jamie Serino, Barbara Patten, Paul Sharff, Carol Hunt, Derrick Randall, Laurel Lynch, Char Young, Kristina Tincher, Juliet Linzmayer, Karen Holman, Drena Green, Darren King, Andrea Drlicka, Cori Perry, Sharon Oakes, Kim Ross, Silvia Cruz, Michael Wood, Bridget Harry, Nathan Scott, Becky Canesse.

Call to Order/Welcome

Xtavia Bailey, Board Member called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Motion: Minutes for April 17, 2019, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Kimberly Kutch, **Seconded by** Pierrette Kelly, **Vote:** Motion passed (**Summary:** Yes = 8, No = 0, Abstain = 0).

Agency Introductions/Overview

Susan Ford announced that the Agencies have been sent invitations to come to these meetings and will be provided three minutes for the agency representatives to introduce themselves and give a brief overview of the programs they are proposing for investment. Agencies are not required to speak and there is no scoring attached to the introductions of program overviews. There are 18 programs being reviewed today. Nine agencies were invited to speak today. If they are unable to attend today's meeting, they may have three minutes at another one of the funding review meetings.

Agency: Boys & Girls Clubs of Manatee County, Inc.

Program: Great Futures Start Here – **Amount Requested:** \$ 610,000

Agency Representative: See 4/10 minutes

Agency: Centers for Success, Inc.

Program: After-School Enhancement – **Amount Requested:** \$ 90,000

Agency Representative: None

Agency: Manatee County Girls Club, dba Just for Girls, Inc.
Program: G.I.R.L.S. – **Amount Requested:** \$ 939,402
Agency Representative: See 4/10 minutes

Agency: Manatee County Family, YMCA, Inc.
Program: YDASH at Harlee Middle School – **Amount Requested:** \$ 80,000
Agency Representative: None

Agency: Palmetto Youth Center, Inc.
Program: Foundation for Excellence – **Amount Requested:** \$ 254,309
Agency Representative: See 4/10 minutes

Gina Messenger entered at 3:05 pm

Agency: The D.L. Randall Foundations, Inc.
Program: AUV- An Uprising in the Village – **Amount Requested:** \$ 120,000
Agency Representative: Derrick Randall

Agency: The Myakka City Community Center, Inc.
Program: Morning, After School Care & Summer – **Amount Requested:** \$ 132,002
Agency Representative: None

Agency: United Community Centers, Inc.
Program: BASE – **Amount Requested:** \$ 345,326
Agency Representative: Derrick Randall

Sandra Stone entered at 3:09 pm

Agency: Early Learning Coalition of Manatee
Program: Early Care and Education – **Amount Requested:** \$ 2,510,143
Agency Representative: Paul Sharff

Agency: Step up Suncoast, Inc.
Program: Teaching Our Toddlers (TOTS) – **Amount Requested:** \$ 225,000
Agency Representative: Barbara Patten

Agency: Step up Suncoast, Inc.
Program: CATCH Speech and Language – **Amount Requested:** \$ 89,110
Agency Representative: Barbara Patten

Agency: Step up Suncoast, Inc.
Program: Head Start and Early Head Start – **Amount Requested:** \$ 150,000
Agency Representative: Barbara Patten

Agency: Step up Suncoast, Inc.
Program: Healthy Families Manatee – **Amount Requested:** \$ 218,750
Agency Representative: Barbara Patten

Agency: Step up Suncoast, Inc.
Program: Home Instruction for Preschool Youngsters (HIPPIY)– **Amount Requested:** \$ 200,000
Agency Representative: Barbara Patten

Agency: Step up Suncoast, Inc.
Program: Whole Child Manatee – **Amount Requested:** \$ 150,949
Agency Representative: Barbara Patten

Agency: Step up Suncoast, Inc.
Program: Parents as Teachers (PAT) – **Amount Requested:** \$ 125,000
Agency Representative: Barbara Patten

Agency: Take Stock in Children of Manatee
Program: Take Stock in Children – **Amount Requested:** \$ 250,000
Agency Representative: Jamie Serino

Investment Application Discussion

Prior to the discussion of applications, Susan Ford asked if there were any conflicts by the members present for the above-noted agencies or programs to be discussed at this meeting. Cornelle Maxfield declared an affiliation with Step up Suncoast as a volunteer board member.

Members brought up questions and concerns on individual programs which were clarified by other members during the meeting. Susan Ford requested CSAB members email her all questions on proposals that may need clarification or response from the agencies. She will follow up with the agency and provide the members with the responses to all questions. Members may delay the submission of their reviews/scores until the clarification has been provided.

Overall topic of concern included: How would the Manatee County YMCA would do operations differently than in the past with issues brought forward from the 2014 internal audit report, use of Harlee Middle School by the YMCA; how are agencies operating at a deficit; clarification on serving children with developmental delays; requests for increases in funding; clarification on cost per gain and how it is calculated; clarification on number of clients to be served; what would the cost to get children off of waitlists; clarification on agency budgets; and what would the county funding be used for.

Motion: To bring Manatee County Family YMCA before the Board for Q&A on the internal audit report, **Action:** Motion to Approve, **Moved by** Jeremy Giddens, **Seconded by** Cornelle Maxfield, **Vote: Motion Failed (Summary: Yes = 3, No = 7, Abstain = 0).**

Staff Updates

None

New/Old Business

Cornelle Maxfield stated that although it is important to question the process, she wanted to apologize to the Board for bringing up items for new discussion that had already been decided for this year's process and was not the best use of their time. She meant no disrespect to the Board.

Public Comment

Paul Sharff thanked the staff and board and provided brief answers to questions that were raised. He will follow up in email with questions sent to the agency.

Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday May 8, 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

Xtavia Bailey, Chairman

Date