



Children's Services Advisory Board

September 18, 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 September 18, 2019 at 3:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Xtavia Bailey, Sandra Stone, Jeremy Giddens, Amy Diss, Pierrette Kelly, Kelly Hunt, George Van Buren, Gail Wynne

Absent/Excused: Cornelle Maxfield, Gina Messenger, Kimberly Kutch, Debbie Tapp

Also Present

County Staff: Susan Ford, Lawanda Timmons, James Slusser, Chris Handy-Honeycutt, Kristi Hagen;
Members of the Public: Kevin Mulcahy, Char Young, Laurel Lynch, Kristina Tincher, Jessica Schubick, Karen Hansen, Drena Green, Connie Shingledecker

Call to Order/Welcome

Xtavia Bailey, Chair called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Motion: Minutes for August 21, 2019, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Gail Wynne, **Seconded by** Amy Diss, **Vote:** Motion passed (**Summary:** Yes = 8, No = 0, Abstain = 0).

Grade Level Reading Priority

Carolyn Griffin, United Way and Susie Bowie, Manatee Community Foundation were unable to attend the meeting. Susan Ford presented to the CSAB an overview of their planned discussion: United Way Suncoast's The Big Plan is a community focused initiative with Manatee County Government, Manatee Community Foundation, The Patterson Foundation, Early Learning Coalition, and the School District of Manatee County. It's focused on 10 Title I schools in 3 regions. The ultimate desired result is children reading on grade-level by the end of the 3rd grade. The schools are: Ballard, Blackburn, Daughtrey, Oneco, Palm View, Palmetto Elementary, Manatee Elementary, Rogers Garden, Samoset and Tillman.

United Way would like to begin a conversation around closer alignment with the CSAB's existing priority around 3rd grade reading. One example might be that the three funders would announce the same requirements around applications for out-of-school time programs. Each entity still follows their rules; but we would agree on certain requirements. They understand that it will take many discussions, and this is the first step.

United Way wants to gauge interest and appetite for this alignment and would ask CSAB to consider the powerful message we could send to our community of our commitment to Results First. The three major funders in Manatee County are not only saying the same things, but are investing the same way.

The CSAB Members asked questions to Susan Ford of what is the cost; how will this be integrated into the CSAB procedures and what is data of the kids that are behind? Ms. Ford advised their questions and answers can be addressed at the October meeting by Carolyn Griffin of United Way and Susie Bowie of Manatee Community Foundation.

FY19/20 Investment Decisions

Susan Ford provided an update on the final decisions made by the County Commissioners on the FY19/20 investment recommendations. All recommendations were accepted with the exception of Replay Outreach, which was funded at \$50,000 with conditions; and Healthy Teens Coalition, which was funded at \$90,000 with conditions. The conditions involved staff working with the agencies for good, measurable results for the contract year.

Staff Updates

Susan Ford announced the following:

- The 2019 CSAB Meeting schedule has once again changed to include a joint work session with the Board of County Commissioners. This meeting was requested by the Commissioners for discussion of the priorities for the investment of the Children's Services dollars. It will take place at the Bradenton Area Convention Center beginning at 1:30 pm on November 5, 2019. All members were asked to attend if possible.
- The Board of County Commissioners made the appointments for new 3-year terms beginning October 1, 2019. Dr. VanBuren has been reappointed for a new 3-year term ending 2022. Two other current board members were not reappointed. They are Jeremy Giddens, our Criminal Justice representative, and Pierrette Kelly, child advocate. Jeremy has been with us since 2013, and Pierrette since 2016. Our new members, beginning October 1st were introduced: Connie Shingledecker as the Criminal Justice representative, and Karen Hansen, as the Child Advocate.
- The CSAB Retreat will be held on Friday, October 4th from 8:30 – 2:30 pm at Manatee Community Foundation and will focus on Results First and scoring of applications. Hal Williams will be joining us

Xtavia Bailey presented both Jeremy Giddens and Pierrette Kelly with certificates of appreciation and thanked them for their service to the board and the children and families in our community

New Business

Susan Ford reported election of officers will need to take place at the next meeting. Xtavia and Sandra are eligible for a 2nd year if the members choose that option.

Old Business

None.

Public Comment

None.

Next Meeting (CSAB Retreat)

October 4, 2019 8:30 am – 3:30 pm, Manatee Community Foundation, 2820 Manatee Ave W, Bradenton, FL 34205

Next Regular Meeting

October 16, 2019 – 3:00 pm, Manatee County Administration Building, 1112 Manatee Ave, W, Bradenton, FL 34205, 9th Floor, BCC Conference Room.

Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:28 p.m.

Approved

Xtavia Bailey, Chairwoman

Date