

CHILDREN'S SERVICES COUNCIL OF PALM BEACH COUNTY
COUNCIL MEETING
December 8, 2016, 4:30 p.m.

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Chair Langowski called the meeting to order at 4:34 p.m.

Present:

Thomas Bean (arrived 4:55 p.m.)

Vince Goodman

Kathleen Kroll

Greg Langowski

Thomas E. Lynch

Dennis Miles

Thomas P. Weber

Excused: Robert M. Avossa, Ed.D; Debra Robinson, M.D; (County Commissioner seat vacant)

A. Invocation – led by Vince Goodman

B. Pledge of Allegiance – led by Chair Langowski

C. Presentations

1. Birth to 22: Youth Master Plan Update – Marsha Guthrie, Community Planning and Partnership Officer

Lisa Williams-Taylor, Ph.D. stated that the Youth Master Plan was a collective effort developed by over 60 members, and 700 community residents and youth. It was intended to be a *framework* for how the work would be moved forward and was not intended to give solutions. Marsha Guthrie, Community Planning and Partnership Officer, stated that in January of 2016 they had brought together community participants from a variety of different systems: health, education, child welfare, and juvenile justice. Each stakeholder had committed a staff member to work in partnership with CSC and the County to develop a Youth Master Plan, a plan outlining how all participants would come together to advance the (desired) priorities for children and youth in the community.

Dr. Williams-Taylor stated that CSC and the Youth Services department of the County were serving as the backbone structure in moving the work forward. She stated that there was also a Champions group which included legislators, community leaders, parents, youth, and business leaders who would meet once per year to be updated on the progress of the work. She stated that there was a Steering Committee, and sub-committees emanating from the Steering Committee. She stated that there would be a Funder's Group to look at opportunities to bring additional dollars into the community to focus on the Youth Master Plan (YMP) work, in addition, a legislative group would build a joint legislative agenda for the YMP work moving forward. She stated that there were numerous action teams bringing specific recommendations to the Steering Committee.

Dr. Williams-Taylor referred to slide number 15 of the presentation (page #17 of the online notebook packet on the CSC website) and stated that the YMP work had its own website (www.pbcirthto22.com), and that it contained the Plan itself, with an appendix containing comprehensive data on children and youth. She stated that the Resource Directory (on the

website) listed all the programs in Palm Beach County funded by 10 top funders that focus on children and youth, and that there would be a joint events calendar.

Question	Comment/Response
<p>What is the School District doing about bullying?</p>	<p>As part of the School District’s Strategic Plan there is an initiative focusing on school climate and school culture; one of the areas they are addressing is around bullying. 42% of the respondents to the Youth Survey commented that bullying was an area of concern to them; bullying and depression were the #1 and #2 social-emotional concerns that youth had. Safety and violence was being addressed throughout the whole YMP process, not only in the home communities but in their schools. They understood that there were opportunities to build partnerships with the school system, working with the non-profits that were working with the children as they dealt with the dramas that the youth were facing.</p> <p>CSC does not have any programs in place with regard to bullying because it is addressed within the school system. The School District hosted a forum approximately 6 months ago which was focused on bullying, discussing the different initiatives and identifying where there were gaps.</p> <p>Recent data has shown that over 50% of bullying was cyber bullying and that it was much harder to put a stop to.</p> <p>One action team from Birth to 22 is working on social emotional strategies and it is co-led by Prime Time and the School District. Updates will be brought to the Board as appropriate.</p>

2. Minutes

A. October 27, 2016 Council Meeting

Chair Langowski stated that there had been a clarification to the October 27, 2016 Minutes: page 4 Item “Comment/Response” (in table) - first sentence had specified “the full annual amount is \$122,000” and that it should be noted that the \$122,000 annual amount was applicable to the 2015/2016 fiscal year.

A motion by Goodman/Bean to approve the amended Minutes of the October 27, 2016 Council Meeting was approved by unanimous vote.

3. Public Comment – Agenda Items – N/A

4. Council Committees:

- Finance Committee – Tom Lynch stated that the Finance Committee recommended approval of the Finance Committee Minutes of 10/27/16 and Financial Statements ending September 30, 2016 and October 31, 2016.

A motion by Goodman/Weber to approve the Finance Committee Report in full was approved by unanimous vote.

- Personnel Committee – No Report

5. Consent Agenda

1. Additions, Deletions, Substitutions
2. Items to be Pulled for Discussion – There were no Agenda items pulled for discussion purposes.
3. Adoption of the Consent Agenda and Walk-in Warrants List

A motion by Lynch/Goodman to approve the Consent Agenda and approve the Walk-in Warrants list was approved by unanimous vote.

A. Program – N/A

B. Business

1. Warrants List – Approved by Consent

Question	Comment/Response
Does CSC pay taxes to the County?	CSC does not pay County Ad Valorem taxes, there are assessments that are paid. A Warrant states “Real Estate Taxes \$36,000” - It was explained that this was the fee for the tax collector.

2. Proclamation declaring January 2017 as Mentoring Awareness Month – Approved by Consent

6. Non Consent Agenda

A. Business

1. Resolution #16-039 Authorizing Unexpended Funding from the Center for the Study of Social Policy for Project DULCE

Question	Comment/Response
What is the purpose of Project DULCE?	Project DULCE is an early intervention program serving families with children from birth to 6 months. The family specialist is a social worker who accompanies the families to their pediatric visits and also does developmental assessments, maternal depression screenings, and provides referrals to community resources for the family.
Does CSC get involved in litigation if there is a problem with child development?	The funding is designed to provide consultation with the attorneys at Legal Aid as it relates to the health and well-being of the child. The attorneys can provide advice to the families should they be denied a public benefit and other such issues. CSC does not get directly involved with litigation. The program is set up to provide advice, and there may be other available programs that provide litigation.

Question	Comment/Response
<i>(Does CSC get involved in litigation if there is a problem with child development?)</i>	The funding of Project DULCE in terms of legal services is limited to 25% of the position funded by CSC, and it was mainly directed towards consultations and brief services to inform and educate the families to their legal rights. If a family has a need for something more intense they could be referred to another program within Legal Aid where other funding can assist with that.

A motion by Bean/Weber to approve Resolution #16-039 authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to execute an amendment to the Agreement with the Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County to increase the Project DULCE allocation by \$11,865 (from \$202,715 to \$214,580), effective October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017 was approved by unanimous vote.

B. For Informational Purposes Only – N/A

7. Walk-In Items – N/A

8. Chief Executive Officer's Report

1. Florida Children's Council Membership

Dr. Williams-Taylor stated that Council members had received a flyer at their places regarding the Florida Children's Council (FLCC), the benefits of CSC's membership in FLCC, and additional detail regarding the work of FLCC.

2. RFP to be released for Mental Health Services

Dr. Williams-Taylor stated that an RFP would be released in early 2017 for mental health services.

3. January is Mentoring Awareness Month

Dr. Williams-Taylor stated that the Proclamation denoting January, 2017 as Mentoring Awareness Month had been approved on the Consent Agenda.

4. Every Child Parenting Campaign

Dr. Williams-Taylor stated that the Every Child parenting campaign had been launched, and that further details were contained within the CEO Report.

5. New Billboards

Dr. Williams-Taylor stated that new billboards were already up for the Every Child parenting campaign.

6. 2017 CSC Calendar

Dr. Williams-Taylor stated that Council members had received a 2017 CSC Calendar, and that they would be mailed to CSC funded agencies.

7. Radio Advertisements

Dr. Williams-Taylor stated that the radio advertisement was linked with the new Star Wars movie, would be playing on Pandora, and the video would shortly begin playing in movie theaters.

8. End of Year Leadership Roundtable Meeting

Dr. Williams-Taylor stated that the end of the year Leadership Roundtable meeting would take place December 12th. She invited Council members to attend. She stated that CSC funded Providers, in addition to their Board Chairs, were invited to convene and share success stories from the year. She stated that some Providers would also bring client families, and that it was a good event to attend.

9. End of Year CSC Staff Celebration

Dr. Williams-Taylor stated that the CSC staff end of year celebration would take place December 13th and invited Council members to attend.

10. Angel Tree

Dr. Williams-Taylor stated that Council members had been sent an email by Elsa Sanchez, Senior Executive Assistant, regarding the current year's Angel Tree. She invited Council members to participate to sponsor children from Head Start and Early Head Start.

11. CSC Receives Bell Ringer Award from Urban League of Palm Beach County

Dr. Williams-Taylor stated that CSC had received the Bell Ringer award from the Urban League.

9. Legal Reports

1. Certificate of Compliance for FY 16/17

Tom Sheehan, General Council, stated that Council members had been issued a Certificate of Compliance form to complete and that the deadline for receipt was the January Council meeting.

10. Individual Appearances – Non-Agenda Items – N/A

11. Council Comments - None

12. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:03 p.m.



Vincent Goodman, Secretary



Lisa Williams-Taylor, Ph.D., Chief Executive Officer