

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS DIVISION / Children's Services Administration

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Broward County Board of County Commissioners Children's Services Board Draft Meeting Minutes November 15, 2024 9:00 am – 11:24 A.M.

1. Call to Order

Evan Goldman called the meeting to order at 9:03 A.M. and welcomed all Board Members.

2. Roll Call

Jarvis Brunson called the roll.

A quorum was established with Evan Goldman, Monica King, Jarvis Brunson, Brenda Fam, Dan Schevis, Traci Schweitzer, Joel Smith, Yolanda Nails, Cassandra Burrell. Teves Bush, Malena Mendez, Maria Juarez Stouffer, and Cynthia Honick present via TEAMS.

Members absent: Sarah Gillespie Cummings, Commissioner Michael Udine Cara Malave Elida Segrera.

Staff Members in attendance: Dr. Tiffany Hill-Howard, Children's Services Administrator (CSA), Sterling Parrish, Contract Grant Administrator Sr. (CSA), and Ronald Honick, Assistant County Attorney present.

Motion: To approve the CSB October 18 minutes.

First: Dan Schevis

Second: Cassandra Burrell
Declaration of Conflict: None

Discussion: None Result: Passed

3. Chair Report

Tenure recognition/ celebration of Dan Schevis-

Dan Schevis retiring and presented with certificate of Appreciation for 38 years of service to the Children's Services Board.

Sunset review presentation from Intergov postponed temporarily, date TBA.

Nominating Committee met on November 6, 2024, to discuss slate of officers to begin January 1, 2025.

Motion: To approve slate of officers for 2025 term

First: Dan Schevis

Second: Joel Smith

Declaration of Conflict: None

Discussion: On November 6, 2025, Nominating Committee selected Evan Goldman to continue as Chairman, Monica King to continue as Vice Chairman and Jarvis Brunson to continue as Secretary. Discussion into the new slate of officers and resolutions of issues going into 2025.

Board member Joel Smith voiced concerns about the direction of the board, delivery of information, content, and the complexity of info that will allow the CSB member to do their jobs. Concerns also voiced over meeting schedule, a platform of data to give more sophisticated information.

Result: Passed

Sunshine Law, Public Records, & Ethics for County Boards Presentation- Presented by County attorney Ronald Honnick.

Presentation in reference to violations under Sunshine law as an Advisory board member, and to not discuss matters that may become before the board.

4. Section Report-

Schedule of meetings for 2025 statement- Dr. Tiffany Hill- Howard Discussion on schedule of meetings for 2025 and rational behind dates chosen.

Utilization report FY24- Sterling Parrish

Presentation on the utilization of funds for fiscal year 24 which increased by 6% from FY23. The goal of 94% was met for utilization of funds.

5. Motion: To extend meeting 15 minutes

First: Dan Schevis
Second: Jarvis Brunson
Declaration of Conflict: None

Discussion: None **Result**: Passed

6. NAC Committee Chair Reports: None

7. Liaison Reports

BCPS: Brenda Fam–Repurpose and combining schools and using property for another purpose. Discussions on selling Casey Wright building due to it being a prime real estate location. Number of schools closing is down from 60 plus to zero.

DCF: Traci Schweitzer: Continuing with DSNAP efforts around the states. Record number of children in out of home care is at an all-time low.

Juvenile Justice Circuit 17: Teves Busch: Circuit Advisory board is meeting on a quarterly basis, next meeting is Feb 12, 2025.

Special Needs: No business

System of Care: No business

8. New Business: None

9. Old Business

Baker Act Youth Transportation Pilot, Youth Violence Reduction Pilot, Utilization amounts for pilots and county contributions of \$150,000. - Cassandra Evans

Motion: Youth Emergency Shelter and Supportive Services (YESS)

First: Joel Smith Second: Monica King

Declaration of Conflict: None

Discussion: To increase funding to 531,000 by combining unused funds remaining from

Substance Use Dual Diagnoses.

Result: Passed

Motion: Continued Efforts Youth Violence Reduction Pilot

First: Joel Smith

Second: Tracy Schweitzer **Declaration of Conflict:** None

Discussion: For staff to research extra funding for \$135,000.

Result: Passed

10. Motion: To extend meeting 15 minutes

First: Dan Schevis Second: Joel Smith

Declaration of Conflict: None

Discussion: None **Result**: Passed

11. Public Comment: None

12. Good of the Order:

Joel Smith- Second Annual Community Dinner, Deerfield Beach lack of dental and ophthalmological services for children. Florida Eye Clinic center will start mobile ophthalmological office to Deerfield Beach schools everyday will screen and provides glasses to children.

Evan Goldman- Jewish Federation of Broward County hosting a multi faith holiday party-Sine a Light on Hate and Anti-Semitism.

Dr. Tracy Perez (CHC)- Project Path (Pre-school Access To Hearing), gives preschool access to hearing, as well as otolaryngologist van that has assisted over 320 kids so far. Identified 10% of those living with hearing loss.

13. Adjournment

Motion: To adjourn the CSB meeting at 11:24 A.M.

First: Dan Schevis **Second**: Joel Smith

Declaration of Conflict: None

Discussion: None **Result**: Passed

The next Children's Services Board Meeting is February 21, 2025, In Community Partnerships Division conference Room A337.

These minutes were approved at the Children's Services Board Meeting dated November 15, 2024, as certified by:

Jarvis Brunson

Children's Services Board Secretary