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**BROWARD COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CONSUMER ADVOCACY COMMITTEE
DECEMBER 7, 2020
DRAFT MINUTES**

Time Called to Order: 10:06 a.m.

Time Adjourned: 10:51 a.m.

Location: Virtual Skype Meeting

Minutes by Elizabeth Ortega (HIP)

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Members Present: **Reniese McNeal**, Chair, Formally Homeless HCoC Board Representative; **Danny Osley**, Formerly Homeless HCoC Board Representative; **Anthony Ginsberg**, Voter Participation Project; **Marc Esko**, Consumer Advisory Council.

Staff Present: **Lorraine Gary**, (HIP); **Kavaja Sarduy**, (HIP); **Elizabeth Ortega**, (HIP)

Welcome &

Introductions: **Reniese McNeil**, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:06a.m. and all-in attendance introduced themselves. A quorum was confirmed.

Approval of

Minutes: Approval of Minutes for March 2020 meeting.

First: Marc Esko

Second: Anthony Ginsberg

Discussion: None

Result: Approved with Corrections.

Old Business:

- **Review Final Consumer Advisory Committee Description**

A brief discussion was held regarding CAC description. Lorraine Gary advised the members that she would email the CAC description for their review and members could email their questions and feedback to her. This will be placed on the agenda for a vote at the next meeting.

New Business:

- Vote on new members. All members were voted in at the March meeting.
- Re-Vamp the Symposium.

The committee members and staff brainstormed in efforts to find ways to have the Symposium in 2021 as the pandemic of COVID-19 continues to be an issue of concern.

Kavaja Sarduy, Human Service Manager suggested possibly having the Symposium virtually. However, we would have to go over the logistics and have the needed PPE for the staff as well as the individuals being served. Also, suggested was to try to engage the providers to assist with this process as well.

Chair McNeal has reported that community court is back an effect virtually and outside for social distancing. The Symposium could be held virtually once the logistics have been worked out.

Danny Osley asked what date will the Symposium be held? Lorraine stated it is usually held in the month of November.

Anthony Ginsberg requested that the committee be emailed the 2019 Symposium report. Lorraine stated that she would have the report emailed to them along with the CAC Description for final review.

The committee decided to continue to brainstorm and reconvene at the next meeting with suggested areas the committee would like to target for the Symposium. Chair McNeal suggested the committee continue to communicate via email with different suggestions and ideas prior to the January 4th 2021 meeting.

Good of the order- None

Adjournment &

Next Meeting: Reniese McNeil, adjourned the meeting at 10:51 am; next meeting will be held on January 4, 2021 @ 10:00 a.m.