



HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT

**COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS DIVISION**

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**BROWARD COUNTY  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
CONSUMER ADVOCACY COMMITTEE  
January 6, 2020  
DRAFT MINUTES**

**Time Called to Order:** 10:08 a.m.

**Time Adjourned:** 11:05 a.m.

**Location:** Governmental Center Annex, A-337

**Minutes by** Elizabeth Ortega (HIP)

**Members Present:** **Danny Osley**, Chair, Formerly Homeless CoC Board Representative; **Marc Esko**, Consumer Advocacy Council.

**Guests Present:** **Anthony Ginsberg**, Voter Participation Project, **Veronica Figueroa**, Deputy **Marcus Hall**, Department of Law Enforcement Youth and Neighborhood Services; **Duane Mellor**; **Richard Markiewicz**, All Saints Episcopal Church **Drew Hensley**.

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

**Welcome &**

**Introductions:** **Danny Osley**, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m. and All in attendance introduced themselves. A quorum was confirmed.

**Approval of**

**Minutes:** Approval of Minutes for December 2019 meeting.  
**First:** Marc Esko  
**Second:** Danny Osley  
**Discussion:** None  
**Result:** Approved

### **Old Business:**

A brief discussion was had regarding the information collected from the individuals who attended Coffee and Conversation.

HIP staff Liaison provided the Committee a draft of the guidelines for the Consumer Advisory Committee to be reviewed and if any additions or deletions are recommended by the committee, they should be emailed. Mr. Osley asked this agenda item to be tabled till next meeting for discussion.

Mr. Esko once again wanted to know what kind of incentive would the consumer receive to be a part of the committee? His concern is that consumers would not want to participate. HIP staff Liaison advised Mr. Esko that we could not provide a stipend.

### **Homeless Symposium:**

An overview of the Homeless Symposium report was provided by the HIP staff Liaison. Unsheltered Group-Identify the struggles of the homeless to obtain services. The results were that the homeless shared why they are not in a shelter and the challenges of being homeless. In addition, they expressed what is working with the services provided as well as what is not working with the services. The information was passed on to the decision makers in Broward County, Community Partnerships, Human Services. At least one change is made based on the group suggestions.

### **New Chair:**

HIP staff Liaison said that the committee should think of nominations for the Chair and bring to the next meeting. Mr. Osley agreed that this agenda item be tabled until next meeting.

### **New Business:**

### **Good of the order**

### **Adjournment &**

**Next Meeting:** Mr. Osley adjourned the meeting at 11:05 am; next meeting will be held on February 3, 2020. @ 10:00 a.m.