

Board Meeting Minutes

March 24, 2016, 1:30 pm

All Purpose Room

Board Chair: Sheriff Jeff Dawsy

Location: Kids Central Inc – All Purpose Room

Present: Sheriff Jeff Dawsy, Mike Jordan, Bobby James, Stephen Spivey, John Cooper, Kevin Sheilley, Marisa Thames, Gail Burry, John Aitken, Tom Ranew, Barbara Myshrall (minutes)

Board Members not Present: Rebecca Schatt, Richard Hancock, Shalonda McHenry-Sims , Marshall Schaap,

Guests: John Pridham

Call to order: 1:40 pm

I. Welcome and Introductions

Chairman's Remarks

Sheriff Dawsy

Sheriff Dawsy welcomed the board and called the meeting to order.

a) Approval of Board Minutes from January

The minutes were reviewed and Gail Burry made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Motion seconded by Bobby James, all in favor and unanimously approved.

The Chairman confirmed the assignment of Steve Yates to serve on the Finance Committee.

II. President's Report

John Cooper

a) Scorecards and Measures

John reported that the scorecard is no longer updated monthly and is updated quarterly. He also pointed out that we are the only CBC in the state with no red measures. We are still continuing in January and February with no red measures.

There was a brief discussion about the challenges in Citrus County.

b) Legislative Update

The session ended with minor fireworks as far as legislation. We were monitoring 2 bills closely. The House and Senate never got close to reconciling the language, so the bill died. The other bill which was intended to give judges more flexibility in adoptions.

As far as the budget, we were hoping for more and didn't quite get the increases that we want, but we did get the \$14.8M for community based care. It doesn't help us. This money will go into the existing allocation formula. The model all the CBCs agreed to did not get passed. We could not get the Senate and the House Appropriations committee to adopt it.

c) ITN update / Contractual Restructuring

d) Equine-related Activities for Youth in Foster Care

This year we asked for a \$400k special project and it was approved. There are 40 paths throughout the state that can benefit from this so that the project has statewide impact. The new challenge is that the general appropriations act does not contain the proviso language in the bill that the money goes to Kids Central which means that it is now in a competitive status however, John believes that we will get the money with or without a bid. The intent is clear in the bill. We believe it will serve about 1,000 kids.

e) Building lease

John explained the situation with our expiring lease. He explained that we secured the services of Nolan Galloway to explore the options.

Matt made a motion that leadership move forward with the Wildwood location contingent upon the confirmation of what has been agreed to thus far. The motion was seconded by Marisa, all in favor and unanimously approved.

III. Operations Report

Shalonda McHenry-Sims

Department Updates & Data

Shalonda was not in attendance and Operations was skipped.

Gail asked a question about a data slide that was provided that still depicts an increase in the number of kids coming into care. John indicated that the number is still increasing but it has slowed down.

IV. Financial Report

Bobby James

Bobby thanked the committee that worked on the insurance issue. Bobby asked John Cooper to provide a brief bit of history on the insurance issue. Bobby indicated that in the meeting where our course of action was determined, there was not a unanimous decision to go forward. With that, he asked for Matt to give his reason for dissent. Matt explained the options for joining an existing captive. Bobby also asked for Marisa to give her reason for opposition and although she was not a member of the Finance committee and did not have a vote, she explained her reasons for not thinking the captive was a good idea. Bobby addressed Steve Spivey and asked him to explain his support and caveats that he proposed during the previous discussion.

Bobby indicated that the recommendation from the Finance committee was to go forward with the captive so that we could be on the ground floor and have an opportunity to set the rules.

The Finance Committee makes a motion to approve \$50k (ask Aitken), no discussion, 2 nays, 7 yays.

John Aitken reviewed the financial statements from January.

a) Amended Budget Review and Approval

The Finance Committee recommended an amended budget. John reviewed the major variances from the amended budget and the budget we are currently working with. In total this budget increases revenue by \$51k and increases expenses by about \$203k.

The Finance Committee makes a motion to accept the amended budget, seconded by Matt Ostrander all in favor and unanimously approved.

Jeff made a motion to accept the Financial report, seconded by Matt, all in favor and unanimously approved.

John reported that we had a review performed by Brown and Brown to look at how our insurance aligns with our business and there were some items that may need our attention. John reported they will be looking closely at that.

b) Insurance Update

V. Committees

Audit Committee
No meeting.

G. Burry

Best Practices Committee
The last meeting was canceled.

J. Dawsy

Board Development Committee

D. Hancock

Community Development Committee

B. Schatt

Marisa asked if any of the board members had sold the tickets for Casino Night. There was a discussion regarding the event and also the planting of pinwheel gardens.

Get a notice to the board members to collect \$25 towards a basket for the Foster Parent event.

Executive Committee
Minutes are included in the packet.

J. Dawsy

VI. Media Clips

Brad Rogers wrote an article about fatherless children and the Citrus Chronicle wrote some really nice articles about fostering.

VII. Unfinished Business / New Business

VIII. Next Meeting – May 28, 2015, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

Adjourned at 3:00pm