CHILDREN'S SERVICES COUNCIL OF MARTIN COUNTY (CSCMC)

Final Public Hearing/Regular Meeting
Monday, September 23, 2019 5:10 p.m.

MINUTES

Having a quorum, Joshua Ferraro (Chair) called the meeting to order at 5:10 p.m. and took roll.

Council Members Present: Joshua Ferraro (Chair)
James Campo (Vice-Chair)
Christia Li Roberts (Treasurer)
Susan D. Burrows
Laurel Hopper
Hon. Judge Steven J. Levin
William Tulko

Council Member Absent: Laurie Gaylord
Sarah Heard

Public Present: Samantha Suffich, Martin County Healthy Start Coalition
Katya Lysak, Martin County Parks & Recreation
Tammy Kaiser, Temple Beit HaYam Early Childhood Learning Center
Diana Bruton, Martin Youth LEADERship
Christina Coble, CareerSource Research Coast
Teri Graul, CareerSource Research Coast
Jeanne Dunn, Martin Youth Leadership

Staff Present: David Heaton (Executive Director), Laura Haase (Director of Program Operations), Zackery Hackley (Director of Finance), Jennifer Ahern (Manager of Outreach and Communications), Christine Georges (Administrative Services Manager), Chanda Narkiewicz (Manager of Planning, Evaluation and Community Development), Nicole King (Contract Specialist), Frances Kaleta (Finance Administrative Assistant), Cara Good (Contract Specialist), Danyella Lustosa (Administrative Assistant/Receptionist), Stephanie Macera (Executive Assistant, Program Support), Jody Bailey (Finance Manager) and Noreen Dreyer (Legal Counsel)

A motion was made by William Tulko and seconded by Christia Li Roberts to adopt the agenda, as presented. The motion passed unanimously (7-0 vote).

Joshua Ferraro suspended the regular meeting and announced that the Council would conduct the final public hearing on the millage and budget for the Children's Services Council of Martin County for fiscal year 2019-20.
Joshua Ferraro announced that the rolled-back rate was .3541, but the proposed millage rate would remain at the current millage rate of .3618 for fiscal year 2019-20, which is an increase of 2.17% over the rolled back rate.

Attorney Noreen Dreyer read Resolution #19-003 (adoption of the final millage rate for fiscal year 2019-20).

Joshua Ferraro opened the floor for public comments regarding the millage rate. As no public comments were given, Mr. Ferraro closed the public comment segment on the millage rate and then called for a motion to adopt the millage rate.

A motion was made by James Campo and seconded by Laurel Hopper to adopt Resolution #19-003 for fiscal year 2019-20 with the final millage rate remaining at the current millage rate of .3618, which is an increase of 2.17% over the rolled back rate of .3541, as recommended by the staff.

Joshua Ferraro opened the floor for Council discussion. Hearing none, Mr. Ferraro called for the vote.

Council Members voted unanimously in favor of the above motion regarding the final millage rate. Hon. Judge Steven J. Levin abstained because he is not permitted to vote on the millage per Florida Statute. The motion passed with a 6-0 vote.

Joshua Ferraro stated that the second part of the final public hearing was to adopt the budget for fiscal year 2019-20.

Attorney Noreen Dreyer read Resolution #19-004 (adoption of the final budget for fiscal year 2019-20).

Joshua Ferraro opened the floor for public comments regarding the budget. Hearing none, Mr. Ferraro closed the public comments segment on the budget and then called for a motion to adopt the budget.

A motion was made by Susan Burrows and seconded by Laurel Hopper to adopt Resolution #19-004 with a final budget of $12,840,992.00 for fiscal year 2019-20, as recommended by the staff.

Joshua Ferraro opened the floor for Council discussion. Hearing none, Mr. Ferraro called for the vote.

The motion passed unanimously (7-0 vote).

Joshua Ferraro closed the final public hearing for fiscal year 2019-20.

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Joshua Ferraro called the regular September Council meeting to order at 5:20 p.m.

A motion was made by Laurel Hopper and seconded by Christia Li Roberts to approve the minutes of both August 26, 2019, and September 9, 2019, as presented. The motion passed unanimously (7-0 vote).

Public Comments and Introduction of Council Meeting Attendees:

All meeting participants introduced themselves.

New Business:

A. CSCMC Funded Provider Presentation by CareerSource Research Coast – Summer of Success given by Christina Coble, Program Performance Coordinator.

   No motion required.

B. 2019-20 Partnership Funding Recommendations

   1. Martin County Healthy Start Coalition, Inc. – Nurse Family Partnership
   2. SafeSpace, Inc. – SafeSpace Prevention Program
   3. Temple Beit HaYam – Tuition Assistance Program (TAP)
   4. LEADERship Martin County, Alumni Foundation for Youth, Inc. – Martin Youth LEADERship

A motion was made by Laurel Hopper and seconded by William Tulko to approve staff’s recommendation for 2019-20 Applications for Partnership Funding request for the following programs in the amount of $25,000 each 1) Martin County Healthy Start Coalition, Inc./Nurse Family Partnership; 2) SafeSpace, Inc./SafeSpace Prevention Program; and 3) Temple Beit HaYam, Inc/TAP-Tuition assistance Program. Approval of Support Program funding in the amount of $5,000 for LEADERship Martin County, Alumni Foundation for Youth, Inc./Martin Youth LEADERship. The motion passed unanimously (7-0 vote).
Staff Reports:

A. The Executive Director/Staff Report was presented by Dave Heaton.

1. Mr. Heaton honored CSCMC’s Legal Counsel, Noreen Dreyer, stating this was Ms. Dreyer’s last meeting with CSCMC after 15 plus years. Mr. Heaton presented Ms. Dreyer with an award for all the years of recognition and service to CSCMC.
2. Mr. Heaton spoke about his trip to Colorado for meeting with organizations around the United States regarding establishing dedicated funding streams for children.
3. Laura Haase presented Council Members’ sign-up opportunities to join monitoring visits with staff and there is a schedule for Site Visits currently being circulated. Please sign up.

B. The CSCMC Financial Reports were provided by Zack Hackley.

For Your Information:

Council reviewed the information provided.

Council Member Comments:

James Campo asked for status regarding the Literacy/Martin Reads. Laura Haase responded to Mr. Campo explaining the steps and research involved in getting Martin Reads off the ground running. Looking at a different approach with a more direct impact. William Tulko asked about the logo for Martin Reads and further asked about the cost involved. Jennifer Ahern responded to Mr. Tulko regarding the logo design. Laura explained Martin Reads and Literacy efforts will launch in phases.

William Tulko asked Zack Hackley, Director of Finance, to break out Balance Sheet for next meeting or next Program Committee Meeting. Mr. Tulko asked for the Balance Sheet for August.

Joshua Ferraro addressed Judge Levin’s questioned regarding dependency court and CSCMC has asked Communities Connected for Kids to present to Council at the next Regular Meeting.

As no further discussion existed, the meeting was adjourned by Joshua Ferraro (Chair) at 6:00 p.m.