

THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Commission for Children, Youth and Families (Local Management Board)



Meeting Minutes

August 18, 2020 (Approved on Oct. 20, 20202 @ 4:41pm)

I. Call to order

Courtney Wimbush, Chair, called to order the regular meeting of the Local Management Board at 4:35 p.m. on August 18, 2020, via Microsoft Teams.

II. Introductions

Mia Brown conducted a roll call. The following persons were present: Kerriann Peart, Health, Human Services and Education; Elana Belon-Butler, Department of Family Services; Walter Jackson, Department of Social Services; Renee Ensor-Pope, Department of Social Services; Sharon Christmas-DeBerry, Citizen Member; Sheila Jackson, Prince George's County Public Schools; Michael Glynn, Office of the State's Attorney; Orethea Mattison, Commission for Children, Youth and Families; James Mitchell, Prince Georges County Police Department; Courtney Wimbush, Chair; Pamela Hamlin, Prince Georges County Memorial Library; Anthony Nolan, MD National Capital Parks & Planning; Delmonica Hawkins, Department of Juvenile Services; Jamie Dixon, Department of Social Services

Elana Belon-Butler stated that Marlen Cruz will not be the designee for George Askew any longer because she will be attending school.

James Mitchell, PGCPD will be retiring on August 31, 2020 and this will be his last meeting.

Guests: None – Closed meeting

III. Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting

The minutes were reviewed and approved at 4:42 pm.

IV. LMB Director's Report – Dr. Orethea Mattison

Children and Youth Division, Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth and Victim Services 10% Budget Reductions: Dr. Mattison shared that in order to meet the 10% Budget Reduction from the Governor's Office, two programs (Illumination Excel and Disconnected Youth: Empower Your Future) that were underperforming in FY20 will not receive funding for FY21.

FY21 Funding Allocations and Programming: Dr. Mattison discussed the FY21 funding allocations, target number and performance measures for the 10 programs providing services for the upcoming fiscal year.

Results Based Accountability (RBA)101 Training: Dr. Mattison informed the Board that the Governor's Office requires all Board Members to complete the RBA 101 training. RBA was adopted by the Governor's Office to focus planning, decision-making and resources on desired results and outcomes relating to the Maryland Results for Child Well-Being. Dr. Mattison will send the link to all members who have not taken the RBA 101 training, which is scheduled for Monday, Aug. 24th & 26th.

Open Meeting Complaints: Dr. Mattison requested the Board consider a vote to have a Special LMB meeting next week to discuss the Complaints file against the LMB and the Opinion. A motion was moved and approved at 4:57 to have a Special LMB meeting. Dr. Mattison will send out a Doodle Poll to identify the earliest date and time Board Members are available. She is requesting the Board Members identify their availability by COB, Friday, Aug. 21, 2020.

V. LMB Chair's Report – Courtney Wimbush

Ad HOC Committees: Chair Wimbush stated that there are several Board Members who have not volunteered to participate on a committee. She stressed to the Board that everyone needs to identify an Ad Hoc Committee because their expertise is important for to accomplish the work of the LMB.

Nina Carter agreed to assist Renee Ensor-Pope with the data committee. Ms. Ensor-Pope suggested that the Board consider integrating the data component in all committees. A motion was moved to remove the stand-alone data Ad HOC Committee and integrate data into each committee. The vote passed unanimously at 5:00 p.m.

Dr. Jackson will serve as Chair of the communication committee. Pamela Hamlin will serve on the communication committee and the Walter Jackson will remain Chair of the Infrastructure Committee and Anthony Nolan will remain the Chair for the Program Committee.

Vote for Vice Chair: A vote was held to identify the Vice Chair and the Board voted unanimously for Sharon Christmas-DeBerry to hold to position of Vice Chair of the LMB.

VI. Announcements and Program Updates

Dr. Sheila Jackson (PGCPS) reported that school are opening Aug. 31, 2020 with distance learning/virtual platforms. She stated that PGCPS have a solid plan for moving forward to ensure a smooth process for teachers and students. Dr. Jackson also shared discussed the Broadband Expansion Partnership with Comcast and PGCPS to ensure all students have broadband access.

Dr. Mattison asked if PGCPS received funds provided by the Governor to expand broadband services to students in Prince George's County (500K). Dr. Jackson replied she was not sure but will inquire and provide an update.

Pamela Hamlin (PGCML) reported that the library is reaching out to childcare providers throughout the County to encourage inform and encourage them to visit the library's website for virtual programming and other resources.

Walter Jackson (DSS) reported that DSS is in the process of creating a Trauma-Informed System to address ACEs in children and families. In addition, DSS has seen a decrease in reports of child abuse, which is believed to be contributed to virtual learning and school staff not visibility seeing children to identify possible signs of abuse and/or neglect. Mr. Jackson remained the Board the DSS continues to offer Child Protection System Training Available and he is the point of contact.

Renee Ensor-Pope, (DSS) reported that DSS received for the Youth Homeless Demonstration Project (YHDP) for a drop-in center, street outreach team, and transitional and rapid housing program. The YHDP is a crisis response system and permanent supportive housing program for young people who are unaccompanied and homeless.

Anthony Nolan (MNCPPC) reported that Parks & Recreations is looking to serve meals at community centers as well as ways provide childcare at some sites. They are also partnering with DSS to provide childcare for youth who are in foster care and/or homeless.

VII. Adjournment

Chair Wimbush motioned to adjourn the meeting and Dr. Shelia Jackson second the motion. Meeting adjourned at 5:42pm.