



Commission on Children and Youth Meeting Summary April 11, 2018

Members Present: Cecily Adams, Kirsten Andersen, Quajalyn Amos, Anniaka Attah, Shruti Bhatnagar, William (Billy) Chen, Dr. Leslie Copeland-Tune, Serena Debesai, Karen Duffy, Lynne Harris, Debbie Iwanczuk, Stella Masucci, Elizabeth McGlynn, Renae McPherson, Chloe Perez, and Eric Rossen

Members Absent: Laura Espinoza, Assya Pascalev and Carolyn (Cali) Tamarkin

Guest Present: Brenda Brooks, Commission on Health, Liaison

Staff Present: Erin Stillwell (DHHS)

Elizabeth Mc Glynn, chair, called the meeting to order at 7:19 p.m.

Chair's Update

- Elizabeth McGlynn and Shruti Bhatnagar attended BCC Annual Meeting (Town Hall) with the County Executive on 4/11/18
- Membership update:
 - Sinclair Redding resigned
 - Owoade Ayorinde resigned
 - Jerome Jackson, Ex Officio position for Dept. of Recreation was appointed on 4/10/18

Minutes: Review of meeting minutes from March 14, 2018

ACTION: Motion to approve the minutes from March 14, 2018 with additional language added to the subcommittee report out section

Motion by: Lynne Harris

Seconded by: Eric Rossen

All in Favor

Discussion and Vote on Letter to Board of Education Re. Mental Health/Wellness

ACTION: Motion to approve the CCY letter to the Board of Education

Motion by: Lynne Harris

Seconded by: Eric Rossen

All in Favor

Confirmation of Slate for May 9, 2018 CCY Elections for Chair & Vice Chair

- Chair Nominations: Eric, Rossen, Chloe Perez, Cecily Adams & Kirsten Andersen
- Vice Chair Nominations: Karen Duffy, Renae McPherson & Shruti Bhatnagar

Discussion about Dworkin Awards Ceremony

- Ad hoc selection committee met today (4-11-18) and made final selections of awardees for 2018 Dworkin Awards
- Erin Stillwell will notify the award recipients; nominees who were not selected will be recognized with a letter and certificate from CCY
- Erin Stillwell will be sending out a sign-up genius in the next few weeks to allow CCY members an opportunity to select volunteer assignments
- Cecily Adams reminded full CCY that all commissions are expected to attend the ceremony to support the CCY

Subcommittee Report Out

- **Youth Advisory/Leadership:**
 - Discussed recommendation for subcommittee
 - Possibility of creating a Mental Health survey as a way to gather more accurate idea of mental health needs in youth
- **Promoting Mental Wellness Subcommittee:**
 - Recommendation for recognizing mental wellness; disseminate information and in many forms; universal need to mental wellness
 - Consider more time to consider looking at this issue as a priority for next commission year
- **Youth Who Are Undocumented Subcommittee:**
 - Looking at options w/i the County where the CCY could disseminate information about services (possible source is MC311)

Announcements

- Choose Respect Montgomery April 15th at Richard Montgomery HS
- Champions for Children, May 19, 2018

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 9:01 pm