



Commission on Children and Youth Meeting Summary April 19, 2017

Members Present: Quajalyn Amos, Shari Argue, Annieka Attah, Dana Bell, Shruti Bhatnagar, Ethan Chen, Dr. Leslie Copeland-Tune, Elias Gonzalez, Carson Henry, Lindsay Hoffman, Debra Iwanczuk, April Kaplan, Rachel Kavanagh, Nora Ludden, Elizabeth Mc Glynn, Dr. Angela Mickalide, Minh Nguyen, Sinclair Redding and Roberta Rinker

Members Absent: Cecily Darden Adams, Noor Alsulaihat, Gina Brown, Adriane Clutter, Laura Espinoza, Lynne Harris, Tami Niedomanski

Staff Present: Erin Stillwell (DHHS)

Lindsay Hoffman, chair, called the meeting to order at 7:06 PM.

Minutes: Review of meeting minutes from March 8, 2017

ACTION: Meeting minutes were approved with no changes; all in favor

Discussion about Council Budget:

- Cut in funding to non-profits that service youth via DHHS

Discussion about vacancies and spreading the word to new members

- Deadline for new application and reapplication is May 1, 2017
- Application process is online at BCC site

Nominations for chair/vice chair

- Commission members nominated: Lynne Harris, chair, Lindsay Hoffman, chair and Elizabeth Mc Glynn for vice chair
- Commissioners who wish to nominate others or themselves need to contact Erin Stillwell
- Election will take place at May 10, 2017 meeting

BCC Annual Meeting with the County Exec Report Out-Highlighted Topics:

- Referenced CCY priorities
- Strengthening self (CCY) as an organization (health wellness, supporting unsupported youth)
- Membership of the Commission

Report out from COA stakeholder meeting (Lindsay Hoffman)

- Lindsay attending meeting; highlighted age friendly communities; had panel of experts
- Question posed? Would CCY want to host a similar event to get a pulse from the community about issues? Future idea

Dr. Dworkin Award Ceremony Update

- Still searching for entertainment for event (commissioners offered contacts they had for potential options)
- Food donations still needed

Tour de Cookie Update

- Bean Bag will do the baking
- Ad hoc committee will meet after full commission meeting

Sub-Committee Break Outs

Report Out from Sub-Committees:

Youth Leadership Committee: Youth commissioners participated in the ad hoc selection committee for the Dr. Dworkin award

Opioid Committee: reviewed recommendations discussed in the past; discussed what other departments are doing; youth commissioners are doing to write an op-ed piece in time for substance abuse awareness week May 14th -May 20th; Shruti and Nora are doing to work on the recommendations section for the annual report

Advocacy Committee: Have ongoing subcommittee that will continue to examine health/wellness and school climate; possibly also have one that examines disenfranchised youth; annual report

Announcements:

- Roberta talked about new series called “13 Reasons Why” on Netflix bring awareness to youth and suicide
- A Day in the Life in Montgomery County tomorrow via MC Cable Media
- BCC HS April 23rd panel on hate crimes also will look at hate crime in the school

Tour de Cookie Ad Hoc Meeting:

- CCY will make trail mix bags instead of cookies
- Annieka, Sinclair, Rachel, Ethan, Lindsay, Roberta all committed to attend the event; Elizabeth committed to creating trail mix bags

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.