



Children's Services Advisory Board

May 5, 2021

A meeting of the Children's Services Advisory Board of Manatee County, Florida, was held at the Manatee County Administration Building, 1112 Manatee Avenue West, Bradenton, Florida, 5th Floor Manatee Room on Wednesday May 5, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: (In Person) Debbie Tapp, Xtavia Bailey, Amy Diss, Kelly Hunt, Jannon Pierce, Rita Smith, George Van Buren; (Virtually) Connie Shingledecker, Charlie Kennedy, Kimberly Kutch, Gail Wynne; **Absent/Excused:** Hon. Scott Brownell, **Absent/Unexcused:** None.

Also Present: County Staff: Kristi Hagen, Chris Handy-Honeycutt, Johanna Beville; Members of the Public (In Person): Laurel Lynch, Char Young, Stacey McKee, Kelly Stasurak, Alexandra Green, Lisa Davis, (Virtually) Andi Watson, Andrew Colbe, Becky Canesse, Bridget Harry, Cheryl Andrews, Deirde Guilloton, Gemma Clayson, Julia Robertson, Katrina Bellemare, Kimberly Griffin, Bill Grenier, Nicole Leslie, and Sean Staffieri.

Call to Order/Welcome

Debbie Tapp, Chair called the meeting to order at 3:08 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Motion: Minutes for April 28, 2021, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Charlie Kennedy, **Seconded by** Jannon Pierce, **Vote:** Motion passed (**Summary:** Yes = 11, No = 0, Abstain = 0). Present: (In Person) Debbie Tapp, Xtavia Bailey, Amy Diss, Kelly Hunt, Jannon Pierce, Rita Smith, George Van Buren; (Virtually) Connie Shingledecker, Charlie Kennedy, Kimberly Kutch, Gail Wynne.

Discussion of Investment Applications

The CSAB Members had an open discussion on the review process and scoring. Eight programs reviewed and listed below. Concerns or questions voiced are noted.

- Centerstone of Florida- Sexual Assault Child Advocacy and Therapy: *Initial CSAB Members scores were reviewed.*
 - *Program claimed priority: At-risk youth demonstrate age-appropriate social and behavioral skills and result. CSAB will consider as a priority by member consensus.*
- Centerstone of Florida- Children's Community Action Treatment (CAT): *Initial CSAB Members scores were reviewed.*
 - *Program claimed priority: At-risk youth demonstrate age-appropriate social and behavioral skills and result. CSAB will consider as a priority by member consensus.*
- Centerstone of Florida- Baker Act Youth Services: *Initial CSAB Members scores were reviewed.*
 - *Program claimed priority: At-risk youth demonstrate age-appropriate social and behavioral skills and result. CSAB will consider as a priority by member consensus.*

- Family Resources, Inc.- SafePlace2B: Initial CSAB Members scores were reviewed.
 - *Program claimed priority: At-risk youth demonstrate age-appropriate social and behavioral skills and result. CSAB Members will consider as a priority by member consensus.*

Charlie Kennedy entered @ 3:36 p.m.

George VanBuren entered @ 3:47 p.m.

- Family Resources, Inc - Community Effort to Reduce Truancy by Addressing Individualized Needs (C.E.R.T.A.I.N.): Initial CSAB Members scores were reviewed.
 - *Program claimed priority: At-risk youth demonstrate age-appropriate social and behavioral skills and result. CSAB Members will consider as a priority by member consensus.*
- The Salvation Army- The Salvation Army Family Shelter Case Managed Program: Initial CSAB Members scores were reviewed.
 - *Program claimed no priority.*
- Feeding Empty Little Tummys - Weekend Meals Program: Initial CSAB Members scores were reviewed.
 - *Program claimed no priority.*
- Meals On Wheels PLUS of Manatee, Inc. - Emergency Family Food Baskets and Baby Baskets: Initial CSAB Members scores were reviewed.
 - *Program claimed no priority.*

Staff Updates

Kristi Hagen provided the following updates:

- Initial scores for Batch 7 were due Friday, April 30.
- Scores for Batch 6 are due on Friday, May 7.
- The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 12 to discuss Batch 7.

Old/New Business

Debbie Tapp brought up the need for future revisions to the Decision-Making Guide for Increased Investments. It has been determined the Decision-Making Guide criteria and the guidance provided to the agencies needs to be more clearly as defined here.

For the CSAB to consider an increase, the program must do at least one of the following:

- 1. Serve more clients in turn increasing the number of clients who will reach the result.*
- 2. Increase staff, staff training or program dynamics to get more clients to reach the result.*
- 3. Increase the level of or deepen the result itself.*

The CSAB has requested Children's Services staff to reach out to the agencies of the 17 programs requesting increases to offer an opportunity to provide their feedback regarding their request for increase utilizing the guidance in the application along with the criteria stated on the Decision-Making Guide for Increase Investments

George VanBuren exited @ 4:44 p.m.

Kelly Hunt exited @ 4:44 p.m.

Public Comment

None

Next Meeting

May 12, 2021 – 3:00 pm, Manatee County Administration Building, 1112 Manatee Avenue West, Bradenton, Florida, 5th Floor Manatee Room.

Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:45p.m.

Approved

Debbie Tapp, Chairwoman

Date