

Brevard C.A.R.E.S. BOARD OF DIRECTORS Meeting
April 13, 2022
BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Board Members in Attendance: Mr. Dan Rodgers, Board Chair; Ms. Christa Bailey, Board Co-Chair; Ms. Paula Ferrell, Board Treasurer; Ms. Tracy Newman, Board Member; Ms. Brittany Bartusek, Board Member;

Others in Attendance: Ms. Kathryn Parker, Brevard C.A.R.E.S. Executive Director; Mr. Phil Scarpelli, FOA President and CEO, Ms. Osha Fordom, Board Liaison; Ms. Rebecca Melick, Brevard C.A.R.E.S. Director of Operations; Mr. Don Johnson, Family of Agencies CFO;

Mr. Rodgers welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Mr. Rodgers reminded members that if they had a real or perceived conflict of interest to please complete the Conflict of Interest form (available at meeting). None was reported.

Consent Action Items

Mr. Rodgers asked the Board to make a motion to approve the agenda.

Motion: Ms. Bailey moved to approve the agenda. This was seconded by Ms. Newman and the motion was passed unanimously.

Mr. Rodgers asked the Board to make a motion to approve the minutes from the February Board meeting.

Motion: Ms. Newman moved to approve the meeting minutes from the February Board Meeting. This was seconded by Ms. Bailey and the motion was passed unanimously.

Informational Items

Mr. Scarpelli presented a Family of Agencies update.

- Florida Legislator approved an \$150 million budget for Community Based Care Agencies Statewide with a focus on workforce stability. BFP Leadership Team will be engaged in a series of planning sessions to ensure these funds are equitably and efficiently shared to staff working directly with children and families across the Family of Agencies.

Ms. Parker presented the Executive Director's report. Ms. Parker reported as follows:

- This month CARES care coordinators began the Motivational Interviewing training. This training is being provided by DCF through funding from the Family First Prevention Services Act. The training is extensive and will take a few months for each one to complete. We were awarded 40 slots from the Department of Children and Families. So far they have had 15 care coordinators begin their training.
- Brevard CARES is working with Molina insurance to contract for additional funding for the Mobile Response Team. There are four managed care organizations in Florida that are launching a housing pilot program. The insurance companies have realized that when they help with resources for prevention efforts this reduces their costs when services are needed. The program will focus on adults over 21 with a mental health diagnosis. They will provide

the Mobile Response Team number and when we respond we will be compensated. We will also be able to refer adults to the program. The program helps with housing funding and care coordination to help the client stabilize in housing and on mental health medication. This is an exciting opportunity for additional resources for the adult population.

- Ms. Parker attended the Melbourne Chamber of Commerce Non-Profit Council and Small Business Council joint luncheon with Mr. Scarpelli. The luncheon was created to help each council understand how they can help to serve the community together. It was a great event to network with small business that we may not have had an opportunity to connect with.
- Ms. Parker informed the Board that there has been discussion regarding transitioning the CARES Board to an Advisory Board. Once the logistics are worked out she will inform the Board.

Mr. Johnson presented financial statements for January 2022-March 2022.

Member/Public Comment:

Meeting adjourn at 5:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Osha Fordom
Board Liaison

Approved by the Board of Directors at the June 15th, 2022 Board Meeting