

Brevard C.A.R.E.S. BOARD OF DIRECTORS Meeting
February 9, 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. Ferrell moved to approve the agenda. This was seconded by Ms. Bailey and the motion was passed unanimously.

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

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

Informational Items

Mr. Scarpelli presented a Family of Agencies update.

- BFP is coordinating The Over the Edge Fundraiser event that will take place this year. Money raised will benefit the FOA. More information will be provided.
- Mr. Scarpelli and young adults from the Youth Advisory Council, Mr. Carlson, and faith-based representation attended Rally in Tally to advocate for legislative support of the \$40 million in increased funding to address the case management retention crisis in order to provide better continuity of care for our at-risk children and families.

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

- Palm Bay Police Department is prepared to begin a Mobile Response Team joint response model. The Managing Entity is working with Palm Bay Police Department to secure the funding for the project. If funded there will be a position for a Program Manager who will be responsible for both Adult Mobile Response Team programs. The current funding request for the team is \$448,196.
- Parenting with Love and Limits would like to partner with Brevard CARES on a Department of Juvenile Justice grant to provide therapeutic interventions for children

involved in the DJJ system and the foster care system. The proposal was submitted and if approved is for \$500,000.

- Brevard CARES along with the Family of Agencies is partnering with the Department of Children and Families to have a one-day job fair. It will be hosted at Career Source in Rockledge on February 24, 2022.
- The application for Parents as Teachers has been approved and the team will begin training within the next few months. Parents as Teachers is a well-supported evidence-based model that will be used with CARES families.
- The allocation for Motivational Interviewing being funded by the Department of Children and Families has been allotted and the training for staff will start in the next few months.

Mr. Johnson presented financial statements for December 2021.

Action Items

Mr. Parker read all the nominations for Brevard CARES 2021 Employee of the Year.

After much discussion the Board agreed that Michelle Toledo should be Employee of the Year.

Member/Public Comment:

There was none.

Meeting adjourn at 5:25 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Osha Fordom
Board Liaison

Approved by the Board of Directors at the April 10th, 2022 Board Meeting