



Minutes

Board and Guiding Coalition

October 15th, 2020

9:30 am – 10:45 am

Microsoft Teams

Attendees: Annie Woodall, Shelly Neal-Edwards, William Clark, John Schratwieser, Gail Yerkie, Jamie Barrett, Deeann Jones, Katie Dilley, Van Hamlin, Wanda Boyer, Sherone Lewis, Teverly Swinson

Absent: Herb Dennis, Shelley Heller, Myra Butler

Staff & Interns: Doncella Wilson, Shannon Shirk, Jen Friedman

9:30 – 9:40 am

Board Business

- Approve September Minutes
Motion Annie and John
- Board Vacancy-should consider latinx representation, (Jessica Morales) Faith Based representation like what we have on the Guiding Coalition

9:45 – 10:15 am

One Time Funding Options

- Discussion on priorities and options with available funds
- John Schratwieser motioned to request \$3,550 for Somatic Trauma Healing workshops for 5 persons, \$20,000 for Food Access Coordination and Mobile Pantries, and \$3,000 for Community Plan follow up sessions with Due East Partners. Bill Clark seconded, all approved.

10:15 – 10:30 am

Checking in on what we know

- What data are we seeing emerge during COVID 19? What data do we need to find?
 - Homeless-31 families, 49 students
 - Enrollment- 1,818 students (lost 128) (Official count 68) 26 went private, 21 to other public schools, 19 went to other US public school, 12 to MD private school, 39 went to homeschooling, 2 dropped out, 2 passed away, 3 out of
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state private school, 3 missing/unaccounted for, over the age of 16.

- Mental Health – NA
- DSS – don't have access to SNAP data (requested from State in April, still waiting), Services Division has information about rental eviction and utility disconnects which have been increasing since the moratorium ended Oct 1.
- Child Support – increase in requests
- Substance Exposed New Born FY21 18 (usually 7 / year)
- Decrease in Child Abuse and Neglect reporting
- School – FARMS data vs SNAP numbers
- MSBH – better keeping of mental health appointments thanks to TeleHealth
- Internet Access? Bill Poore (given out 78 hot spots)
- What data needs a community discussion to understand the full story?

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Partner Updates

Jen Friedman, MSW Intern: Play selected and edited, being reviewed by Natalie Lane for age appropriateness, then Ben Kohl; She is volunteering with Presbyterian Church Learning Hub, DJS: William Clark: Case workers now visiting during emergencies KCA: John Schratwieser- Partnered with fine art teachers, KC Artists created 30 minute virtual art lessons, Expanding it to all of the music teachers; Will relaunch their emergency grant cycle and some small grant opportunities from leftover Heartland project funds for new art in relation to Kent County African American history.

KCPL, Annie Woodall: Curb Side Service at all three location, planning partial reopening. Chestertown is only early voting location for County.

Shannon Shirk, MSW Intern – social media campaign focused on voter education on down ballot races. Engagement has gone up. Doncella Wilson, supervising Jen and Shannon, Planning a Lunch and Learn series 15 minute sessions open to all, Local Care Team getting calls on rental assistance, attended the National Food to Farm Network, Presented with Paul Tue at the Voter Engagement Panel at Salisbury

Gail Yerkie – Testing, Contact Tracing, etc – releasing info on Facebook, Increase in testing and having to prioritize ill people first, alternatives at Chesapeake College and the Round Top building. Flu Shot campaign – drive through clinics in Galena, Rock Hall, Chestertown. Semi retiring from managed care position

Jamie Barrett: Did Confess project, now is an official mental health advocate, mentoring one student with Rising Sons

Deeann Jones, Character Counts – still publishing in paper with some engagement

Shelly Neal-Edwards, KCDSS – Kent will be first for Kinship Navigation pilot program to support grandparents raising grandchildren. Partnering with MCF to provide child welfare mentoring and some flex funds. Might start in January.

10:45 am

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by Bill Clark, seconded by John Schratwieser, approved by all.

Next Board and Guiding Coalition Meeting: November 19th, 9:30