



## MINUTES



### Kent County Local Management Board

**June 27, 2019**

The meeting was called to order by Rosemary Ramsey Granillo at 9:10

#### **In attendance**

##### **Board Members:**

- William Clark (DJS)
- Shelly Neal-Edwards (KCDSS)
- Gail Yerkie (KCHD)
- John Schratwieser (KCAC)
- Annie Woodall (Kent County Public Library)
- Myra Butler (KCPR)
- Shelley Heller (KCC)

**Absent:** Herbert Dennis, Teverly Swinson, Deeann Jones, Jamie Barrett, Kathryn Dilley, Janice Steffy

**Staff:** Rosemary Ramsey Granillo, Doncella Wilson, Taliyah Russell

#### **Approve Minutes from May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

- The Board reviewed the minutes. Pending the suggested language about the Child Support Pass Through Law, John Schratwieser motioned to approve, Shelley Heller seconded, Myra Butler abstained, all approved.

#### **Agency/Partner Updates**

- KCPL: Over 100 children signed up for the Summer Reading Program. There were kick-off events at the three branches with over 180 attendees. There were also strategic planning focus groups at the three branches and they are awaiting for the consultants to finalize a draft plan.
- DJS: Down to five cases
- KCAC: Building fundraising, architectural plans, and permit process is ongoing. Partnering with several local organizations including the Kent County Public Library on the recently funded Chesapeake Heartland initiative to collect, digitize, and community curate Kent County African American history over the next three years.
- KCHD: Providing free HIV testing, today. Walk In Wednesdays continue to be successful with an average of 8-9 people being admitted each week at the Whitsitt Center.
- KCDSS: Hired child advocacy coordinator – Rachel Boyle. Reaching Independence through Successful Employment (RISE) program - Kent County recipient won father of the year award. Job Fair with KCPL drew almost 70 people and they will continue to partner with Dept. of Labor and KCPL to host regular fairs. The START initiative will begin on August 1<sup>st</sup> with hold over support from the KCHD until State funding comes through.
- KCC: County struck a budget, including security upgrades for the 400 High St. Building that will require a single point of access, staffed by a police officer.
- LCT: The LCT coordinator (Doncella) is representing the Upper and Mid Shore at MSDE's alternative program guiding coalition, which will be releasing guidelines by the end of this summer. Also attended the Maryland Municipal League Conference where she talked to Secretary Padilla, learned about Delmarva Power community grants, and connected with Census representatives to coordinate outreach for the 2020 census.

#### **Approve By-laws**

- Rosemary reviewed the revisions to the By-laws that included adding the new vision and mission, revising language about quorum (no requirement for percent of ex-officio members), and the number of board members (13-25), and clarifying language about the executive committee.

- Bill Clark motioned, John Schratwieser Seconded, all approved.

### **Nominate/Approve Executive Committee seats**

- Chair: Shelly Neal-Edwards for her first term as Board Chair. Myra Butler motioned, Bill Clark seconded, all approved.
- Vice Chair: William Clark for first term as Vice Chair. John Schratwieser motioned, Myra Butler seconded, all approved
- Standing member: Myra Butler for first term as a Standing Executive Committee member. John Schratwieser motioned, Shelley Heller seconded, all approved.
- Standing member: pending

### **New Board Members**

- Gordon Wallace and Wanda Boyers' applications were presented. Warden Herbert Dennis agreed to serve another term, as his first term expires this month. Myra Butler motioned to recommend both candidates for approval before the Kent County Commissioner's, Bill Clark seconded, all approved.
- Need to reach out to mayors of Rock Hall, Millington, and Betterton for nominations. Also need to present to the Council of Governments in September.

### **Byrne Justice Assistance Grant – BJAG**

- Rosemary presented a summary document of the upcoming BJAG grant. The Board brainstormed appropriate areas where such resources could be helpful in Kent County. Suggestions included:
  - Therapeutic funding for families attending the Local Care Team – massage therapy, art therapy, equine assisted therapy, etc.
  - A resource awareness campaign
  - Funding to provide resources (therapeutic activities, essential items, services) to families presenting before the Truancy Reduction Program
  - Training for local artists to provide art therapy
  - A means to transition the school social workers from providing crisis management in the classroom and the school building towards working more intensively with families to connect them to resources and establishing improvements in the home environment.
  - Expanding/incorporating the Health Department's school nursing staff with outpatient behavioral health resources and services