



Executive Committee March 14, 2024

Zoom Meeting – 8:30 a.m.

The Executive Committee of the Cabarrus County Partnership for Children met at a called Zoom meeting on Tuesday, March 14, 2024 at 8:30 a.m. by Zoom Meeting. These members were present: Beth Street, Gil Small, Danielle Mauldin, and Marcella Beam. Beth Street led the meeting. Beth welcomed everyone. Staff: Ann Benfield, Ariel Ayers and Lauren Westin were present. **Quorum was established.**

Minutes for the January 23, 2024

Beth Street presented the minutes of the January 23, 2024 executive committee meeting and the committee reviewed. Gil Small moved to approve the minutes as presented, and Danielle Mauldin seconded and all were in favor.

FY 24-25 State Directed Grant Funding

Ann Benfield updated the executive committee on the State Directed Grant funds. The Cabarrus County Partnership for Children did receive a draft of the DHHS contract, but they are not sure when we will receive the funding. DHHS requested that we change the name of Tri Share to Public Private Child Care Partnership and Stabilization Grants for Child Care to Child Care Support and move the funds for Perry Production to Indirect and then we increased Public Private Child Care Partnership, so we change the names and updated the budget and sent back to DHHS this week. We are waiting on the contract to be finalized. We have also posted the request for proposal to implement these new program and they should be returned by the end of March and then they will be reviewed by the Program Oversight Committee. We will keep you posted.

Contract Activity Description (CAD) Change – Emergency Dental Program

Lauren Westin presented a Contract Activity Description (CAD) change for the Emergency Dental Program. At the most recent monitoring visit they noted that new language that was approved by the board had not been added to the CAD. The new language add appears in yellow:

Emergency Dental Services, Activity ID# 235

PSC: 5407 EC Profile ID: H60

Smart Start funds will support restorative dental treatment, through purchase of services in the fixed or mobile dental clinics as well as emergency care from specialists. These funds will support services for children birth to age 5 not yet in Kindergarten **and pregnant mothers (or those in perinatal period)** who are not Medicaid eligible or insured. The Cabarrus Health Alliance will maintain eligibility documentation to include proof of the **patient's** age, Medicaid **eligibility** or insurance status.

After a discussion, Danielle Mauldin moved to approve the language changed to Emergency Dental Activity and Gil Small seconded and all were in favor.

FY 23-24 Expenditure Reports

Ariel Ayers presented the financial reports and asked if there were any questions? Smart Start Expenditure Report, NCPK Expenditure Report, SUN Report and the SUN Report. We agreed that program seem to be on target at this time.

Smart Start Reallocation

Ariel presented the Smart Start Reallocation Spreadsheet to allocate all Smart Start funds, that was emailed to everyone earlier in the week.

Activity	Current FY23-24 Budget	Requested Allocation Adjust.	Proposed Allocation Adjust.	Proposed FY23-24 Reallocation	Comments	Conflicted
FY23-24 Smart Start Services Funds	2,263,419.00			2,313,419	Includes Carryforward & Add'l Subsidy	
SUBSIDY						
Subsidy	595,000	50,000	50,000	645,000	Requested and received additional subsidy funds	DM
NC Pre-K Program	306,850	-10,440	-10,440	296,410	Reduced due to delay in new funding	DM
TOTAL SUBSIDY	901,850			941,410	Required Subsidy 41.3% = \$877,600.63	
ADDITIONAL CHILD CARE RELATED						
Subsidy Administration	59,500			59,500		
NC Pre-K Non TANF	49,450	-14,585	-14,585	34,865	Reduced due to delay in new funding	DM
Child Care Health Consultants	24,441	150,000	150,000	174,441	Restore SS funding due to delay in new funding	
WAGES	330,000	-142,425	-142,425	187,575	Reduced due to delay in new funding	
Early Education Liaison	244,766			244,766		
Inclusive Childcare	255,854			255,854		
Social Emotional Intervention	133,719			133,719		
TOTAL ADDITIONAL CHILD CARE RELATED	1,097,730			1,090,720		
TOTAL SUBSIDY & ADD'L CHILD CARE RELATED	1,999,580			2,032,130	Required Subsidy & Additional Child Care Related 70% = \$1,487,458.70	
FAMILY, HEALTH AND OTHER PROGRAMS						
ABCD	34,787			34,787		
DPIL	19,101	-8,975	-8,975	10,126	Received separate DPIL funds from NCPK	
Emergency Dental	25,549	4,710	4,710	30,259	New children with dental needs identified	
Safe Kids	52,059			52,059		
Program Management/Evaluation	116,298			116,298		

Public Education & Outreach	14,768	21,715	21,715	36,483	Restore SS funding due to delay in new funding
SUN Project	1,277			1,277	
	2,263,419			2,313,419	
UNALLOCATED SERVICES	0			0	
ADMINISTRATION	233,167			233,167	
UNALLOCATED ADMIN	0			0	

Ariel noted the most important reallocation is moving WAGE\$ back to its original allocation, because we are uncertain of when we will receive the State Direct Grant funds, so we can increase WAGE\$ to Tier III. After a discussion of each change, Gil Small moved to approve the reallocations as presented in the spreadsheet above, Marcella Beam second and all were in favor. Danielle Mauldin abstained.

New Rule on Carryforward Smart Start Carryforward Caps for FY 23-24

Ariel Ayers presented the new rule for Smart Start carryforward caps for FY 23-24:

These are the new carryforward caps, effective for June 30, 2024, are based on a percentage of all Smart Start funds available, Admin + Services:

<u>Total SS funds Available</u>	<u>Carryforward Cap</u>
\$10,000,001+	3.0%
\$5,000,001 – 10,000,000	4.0%
\$2,000,001 – 5,000,000	5.0%
\$2,000,000 or less	6.0%

Ariel asked the executive committee if they wanted to place this same restriction on our current Direct Service Providers (DSP's) to discourage keep funds and then reverting large sums of funding at the end of the fiscal year. Our Carryforward cap will be \$100,000. After a discussion the committee decided not to do anything at this time, but to watch spending and discuss with full board when the new FY 24-25 budget is adopted at the June board meeting.

Cannon Foundation

Ann Benfield shared that she met with the leadership for the Cannon Foundation yesterday about our program's successes and challenges. They asked if we would let them know if we had gaps in funding on any of the projects in our State Directed Grant Implementation. They also asked if we have any other request, to please let them know.

The next Board Meeting is April 23, 2024 in the Partnership Conference Room at 1:00 pm. The meeting will also be available on Zoom.

The next Executive committee meeting will be Tuesday, May 28, 2024 on Zoom at 8:00 am.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned 9:10 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Benfield