

**CABARRUS PARTNERSHIP FOR CHILDREN
BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 2017**

The Board of Directors of the Cabarrus Partnership for Children met on Tuesday, April 25, 2017 at 12:00 noon at All Saints Episcopal Church. Vice Board Chair Denisha Torrence-Nesbit presided over the meeting.

These board members were present:

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| 1. Virginia Amendum | Community/Business |
| 2. Rob Betler | Community/Business/Finance Representative |
| 3. Gale Coor | Government |
| 4. Rose Staples Deese | Community/Business/Attorney |
| 5. Jeanne Dixon | Community/Business |
| 6. Cecelia Graves | Head Start Parent/Policy Council Chair |
| 7. Amos McClorey | Services |
| 8. Steve Morris | Government |
| 9. Maureen O'Bryan | Services/Early Childhood Representative |
| 10. Yolanda Simms | Community/Business |
| 11. Hilary Smith | Services |
| 12. Denisha Torrence-Nesbit | Government |

Quorum was established

These board members were absent:

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| 1. Robert Furr | Government |
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These staff members and guests were present: Ann Benfield, Stephanie Bynum, Katie Boudet (Head Start/CCS), and Sara Rudolph (contractor/ Head Start).

Welcome & Introductions

Denisha welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for attending.

Ann Benfield shared that Finance Manager Ariel Ayers will attend the May meeting to discuss reallocation of Smart Start funds.

Approval of Agenda

Ginny Amendum made the motion to approve the agenda.

2nd: Amos McClorey

The motion passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda

Consent Agenda items were emailed to board members prior to the meeting. Included in the consent agenda: Minutes of March 14, 2017, ED Report, Finance Reports (Smart Start Expenditures, NC Pre-Kindergarten Expenditures, Head Start Expenditures, and Head Start Credit Card Report). The Development Committee Report was not available at this time.

Steve Morris moved to approve the consent agenda

2nd: Rob Betler

The motion passed unanimously.

ACTION ITEM:

Governance Committee Recommendation on By-Laws Changes

Amos McClorey and Ann discussed the Governance Committee's proposed changes to the By-Laws as reflected in highlighted areas of handout (also previously emailed).

Ginny Amendum shared her concerns (italicized below) about the Finance Committee determining the amount of a Board member's donation as currently written in Section 2.13. Financial Support of Partnership:

All board members are required to contribute annually to the Partnership in an amount to be determined annually by the Finance Committee. Contributions will be made between January and December annually.

Steve Morris also expressed his concern about the financial support requirement of Board members. Rob Betler, Finance Committee chair, said that he did not want to determine a suggested donation amount. After discussion, the Board determined

that a Board Chair job description needs to be developed by the Governance Committee. This job description should include the Board Chair's responsibilities related to monitoring annual donations by Board members.

Hilary Smith made the motion to approve the Governance Committee's recommended changes to the By-Laws with the following deletion to Section 2.13 Financial Support of Partnership.

All board members are required to contribute annually to the Partnership ~~in an amount to be determined annually by the Finance Committee~~. Contributions will be made between January and December annually.

INFORMATION ONLY:

Questions for Lisa Goldman for Head Start

Ann shared that Lisa Goldman was unable to attend today's meeting due to a mandatory Head Start training and travel restrictions. The Office of Head Start has announced that effective July 1, 2017, Community Development Institute Head Start (CDI) will take over as the interim grantee for the Cabarrus Head Start Program. A conference call with the Office of Head Start, Region 4 Head Start, CDI, and Cabarrus County Schools is scheduled for May 3, 2017 at 3:00 pm. Robbie Furr and Jeanne Dixon plans to participate in the call. Any other board members interested in being on the call should contact Ann. If unable to join the call, Board members may also call or email Ann with questions they would like addressed.

OHS has not announced the release date of the new RFP. The Partnership is awaiting the "close letter" from OHS.

Ann will discuss the dually certified NCPREK slots with CDI. Any equipment purchased with federal funds will transfer. Cecelia Graves had questions about the supplies.

The CCS School Board will discuss ramifications of the interim grantee at its meeting next week (Monday, May 1, 2017). Rob Betler wants the Partnership to have representation at the CCS School Board meeting next week. Ann will get additional information about the meeting and share with the Board.

Mission Moment

Ann shared information about one of the Circle of Parents groups facilitated by Andrea King in the county jail. Ann shared a photo of a previous inmate who was involved in the group and is now reunited with her children and baking cakes. Andrea is also working as a parent educator with Parents As Teachers and will be trained in Triple P through the Cabarrus Health Alliance. Forest Hills United Methodist church provided additional funds so that Andrea might also include incarcerated parents with children ages 6-18 years in the group.

Updates from Board Members

Amos shared information about the Concord Police Youth Academy that will begin on May 6 for children ages 12-16 years. The police department is beginning this program after participating in the Leading for Equity Retreat last month.

Maureen shared information about the Preschool Art Show scheduled for May 3.

Denisha encouraged members to complete the aforementioned evaluation form and leave on table.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 23, 2017 at noon at All Saints.

Jeanne Dixon made the motion to adjourn the meeting.

2nd: Denisha Torrence-Nesbit

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:05 pm.

Respectively Submitted,

Stephanie Bynum