

CHILDREN'S SERVICES COUNCIL

MINUTES

December 15, 2022

Attendance: Cathleen Blair, Wendy Coker, Melisa Jahner, Heather Hancock, Bob McPartlan, Amanda Reidel and Ken Kenworthy

Guests: Cassidy Medellin, Andrea Medellin, Jessica Slovenski and Heather Tinajero

Ken called the meeting to order at 5:06 p.m. Asked for any additions: added Okeechobee Family Health Special Project for \$4,800.00 and Chobee Nation request-\$11,000.00. Melisa Jahner made motion to add, Wendy Coker seconded, all approved.

Ken asked for the Approval of the minutes from October, 2022, Bob Mc Partlan made a motion to approve, Melisa Jahner, seconded, all approved.

The Financial Statement for October was reviewed by Cathleen Blair, Melisa Jahner made a motion to approve, Wendy Coker, seconded, all approved.

Cathleen Blair then reviewed the Financial Statement for November, 2022. Melisa Jahner made a motion to approve, Amanda Riedel seconded, all approved.

The Special Requests were presented. Ken Kenworthy Presented the request from OCRA asking for \$49,520. Cathleen Blair indicated that she had a discussion with the Kemps about why they couldn't use the equipment from the Chobee Bulls. Several times their seasons overlap, so the equipment was not available. She spoke to Terrance Pryor of Chobee Bulls and he indicated that they could use the equipment. Amanda Reidel stated the funds were in the name of OCRA and should be used by OCRA. Amanda asked that the minutes be pulled to read the request on who should be receiving the equipment. Bob questioned whether OCRA was a 501C3, and told they were. Ken felt that OCRA needed to be in attendance and make sure they are a 501C3. Heather Hancock made a motion to table the request, Ken Kenworthy indicated that a policy should be written regarding that any agency asking for funds be a 501C3. Heather Tinajero indicated that the seasons don't overlap and OCRA won't even start football until September or October. Ken Kenworthy indicated we should have OCRA policies available at the meeting. Bob McPartlan would like to see the entire budget for the program and how much are we paying for that program. Amanda Reidel made a motion to table, Wendy Coker Seconded, all approved. Next meeting we need representation from OCRA, their 501C3, their budget for the football program and their minutes indicating they are splitting form the Chobee Bulls. Heather Hancock believes that OCRA is trying to rebuild their Football program. All approved.

Ken Kenworthy presented the request from The Early Learning Coalition for an extension of their audit. Heather Hancock made a motion to approve, Wendy Coker seconded, all approved

All members need to complete the form indicating Conflict of Interest and return as soon as possible. They are reminded that any agency that they are a member of their board, whether they vote or not; they must recuse themselves from voting if they ask for CSC funds.

Chobee Nation spoke to the board. Amanda Reidel indicated that the request was tabled and they would need another letter and bring to the next meeting, January 12th.

Helping People Succeed/Healthy Start – Andrea Medellin Spoke to the board about their \$4,800 request. Currently there are eight parent with children that are in need of 1-1 services. Plus they also are seen with 2 separate groups per month. There is a new counselor in town that has offered her services for counseling and is not charging Helping People succeed the same amount she would ordinarily charge. Bob wanted to know if they had spoken to the Early Childhood Court. They were trying to make an appointment. Bob made a motion to approve, Melisa Jahner, seconded, all approved, with Amanda Riedel abstaining.

Cathleen informed the new Commissioner would be Frank DeCarlo to serve on The CSC Council.

The Meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Next Meeting will be January 12, 2023.