

Children's Services Council

Minutes

April 13, 2023

Attendance: Bill Wallace, Heather Hancock, Wendy Coker, Pat Mc Coy, Melisa Jahner and Cathleen Blair

Guests: Leah Suarez

Melisa Jahner called the meeting to order at 5:12 p.m. She asked Cathleen if there were any changes to the agenda. Cathleen said that we could remove #6 from the agenda. Pat Mc Coy made a motion of the removal of #6 and Bill Wallace, seconded, all approved.

Melisa Jahner asked for an approval of the minutes from the March meeting. Pat Mc Coy made motion, Bill Wallace, seconded, all approved.

The Financial Statement ending March 31, 2023 was reviewed by Cathleen Blair. We have \$2,431,908.17 in the bank account. Most agencies are asking for their funds monthly except for the summer programs. Pat McCoy made a motion to approve the Financial Statement as presented, Heather Hancock, seconded, all approved.

Cathleen Blair discussed the summer programs. There was a committee of Heather Dobbs, Melisa Jahner, Daryl Roehm and Cathleen Blair. Most of the summer programs are for 6-12 year olds although some included 13 and above. Pat McCoy made motion to approve the summer grants as presented, Pat McCoy abstaining from the 4-H, Heather Hancock made a second. The following abstained from approving the Wrestling program (all others approved)- Melisa Jahner. Bill Wallace approved all but abstained from Martha's House and New Horizon's.

The following Special Projects were approved:

Okeechobee County Fair-2023-2024- \$25,000.00. Pat Mc Coy asked whether this should be a RFP. Cathleen Blair said that it was better to maintain it as a Special Project because of trying to get accurate numbers of children with ages and races. Pat did feel that a brochure with our logo would be a good idea to have in the future to give out to students on all the different categories of prizes that was available for the students to enter. Pat Mc Coy made a motion to approve the \$25,000.00, Wendy Coker seconded, all approved.

The Budget Amendments were discussed CSC needs to move \$8,155.00 from Other Expenses to Summer Programs. Our Village requested an amendment in their budget in the amount of \$4,737.47 and move from Travel and placed into Salary. Pat Mc Coy, made a motion to approve both budget amendments and Heather Hancock seconded, all approved.

Reminder that Mid-Year reports need to be completed.

Cathleen Blair and Ken Kenworthy read in Florida Law that if more than one or more members are together, following the Sunshine Law rules, the meeting should be advertised.

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Cathleen Blair stated that Our Village, Leah Suarez, indicated that there is an appreciation dinner at KOA on May 13, 2023. A brochure was presented to the Council members for more information

Cathleen Blair indicated she is now on the Board of Guardians for the New Future.

The next CSC meeting is scheduled for May 11, 2023. It will be a quick meeting because of Scholarship Night at the High School.

Heather Hancock made a motion to adjourn, Bill Wallace seconded all approved. Meeting adjourned at 5:47 p.m.