

LCB Meeting Minutes

3/17/15

Attendees

√	Rosemary Beakes		Bitia Dayhoff	√	Maura Rossman
√	Shirelle Bennett	√	Dawn Duignan	√	Collin Sullivan
	Dario Broccolino	√	Gary Gardner		Louis Valenti
	Karen Butler	√	Pam Grady	√	Donna Wells
√	John Byrd	√	Tim Madden	√	Restia Whitaker
	Brian Daugherty	√	Lois Mikkila		

Staff: Keri Hyde, Sucora Best, Valerie Harvey, Meg Mekelburg

Public Attendees: David Barrett and Craig Bailey, Alpha Foundation; Loretta Thompson and Patricia Branner Pierce, ASEP; Jenn Pollitt Hill, HopeWorks; Kenyatta Cully, Mental Health Authority

Meeting called to order at 8:45 am.

Public attendees welcomed as guests.

January 20, 2015 minutes were approved.

After School Enrichment Program (ASEP) Presentation/Discussion

- Loretta Thompson and Patricia Branner Pierce provided an overview of the program that is located in seven centers throughout the county.
- Programs run Monday – Thursday for 90 minutes to 2 hours providing homework assistance, tutoring, mentoring and field trips.
- ASEP serves 12 to 25 students at each location.

Alpha Achievers Program Presentation/Discussion

- David Barrett and Craig Bailey provided an overview of the educational programs and initiatives. The program is currently serving over 400 Alpha Achievers in all twelve HCPSS high schools.
- Initiating a Middle School pilot program.
- Harambee Conference; Tuesday, March 24th from 8:30 – 1:00 at Howard Community College.

Human Trafficking Update/Discussion

- Jenn Pollitt Hill provided the Board with an overview of the Human Trafficking Task Force Report.
- There was a discussion about the need for prevention efforts rather than focusing solely on intervention. It was suggested that there may be Best Practices related to prevention that could be explored as a way to combat the issue of sexual trafficking here in the County. The Task Force also focused on labor trafficking which, while a growing concern in the County, does not impact children and youth in the way that sexual trafficking does.
- Board members received an electronic copy of the report that was submitted to the County Executive.
- HCPD will be expanding the number of officers focusing on Human Trafficking.

Budget Update

- At this point in the State budget process, it appears that there will be level funding in both administrative and program funding for the LCB in FY16.

RFP Workgroup Update

- John Byrd discussed the suggestion of the workgroup and the plan to change the process to include a first step of requesting Letters of Intent from agencies and organizations seeking funding for FY16. This request is in draft form currently, but will be made available in early April. This will now be a required first step to apply for funding (pending availability of funds). Full proposals will be requested based on the Letters of Intent. That process will take place in May.

- It was suggested that the April meeting focus on setting priorities for FY16. An overview of current programs and their status will be provided along with a presentation from the DCS Data Analyst as the Board reviews the needs of the community.
- Board members were invited to be a part of the Workgroup as the process moves forward. Interested members should contact Marsha to be included in the group.

Board Member Updates

- Carol Beatty has been appointed Secretary of the Maryland Department of Disabilities by Governor Hogan.
- Collin Sullivan reported on the Youth Summit which was held on March 13th. Each of the County's middle and high school were represented at the daylong event. The County Executive attended and welcomed the students to the day. Collin as noted that April's meeting will be his last as the student representative as he will be graduating.

Meeting Adjourned 10:00 a.m.

Next Meeting: April 21, 2015