

Minutes Children and Families Advisory Board Tuesday, February 14, 2023 Volusia County Lifeguard Headquarters Conference Room A 515 S Atlantic Ave, Daytona Beach

BOARD MEMBERS

Dr. Mary Bruno, Chair Charles Puckett, Vice-Chair Carrie Baird Georgann Carnicella Blanca Maldonado Charles Moskowitz Shawnerie Langford Jessica Deese Derrick Collins

<u>STAFF</u>

Carmen Hall, Community Assistance
Director
Maureen Sikora, Assistant County Attorney
Corry Brown, Operations Manager
Antoinette Cannon, Grants Planner

CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Mary Bruno, Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Antoinette Cannon, Grants Planner, called the roll. Georgann Carnicella, Blanca Maldonado, and Jessica Deese were not present. There was a physical quorum.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Valoria Manning, Director of Temple Learning Center, thanked the board for increasing the maximum age limit for children applying for summer camp scholarships. She explained that the older children who had previously attended summer camp had issues with behavior without having somewhere to go in the summer and the parents were very thankful that they can continue to apply for summer camp scholarships.

APPROVAL OF JANUARY 4, 2023 MINUTES

Carrie Baird made a **MOTION** to approve the minutes from the January 4, 2023 meeting. Charles Puckett seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously 6-0.

NEW BUSINESS

Evaluation of 2023 Summer Camp Provider Applications

Chair Bruno explained that the board would need to establish any exceptions to eligibility in order to complete the evaluation.

Charles Puckett mentioned that there were several agencies with late submissions but that he didn't believe that should solely exclude any agencies. He also stated that he noticed that none of the agencies were hosting their summer camp for the full ten weeks as established by the board as the eligible time frame for funding. Chair Bruno confirmed that she had discussed the same finding with staff and that as long as the timeframe is within the limits set, no further action was needed.

Carrie Baird asked for discussion to potentially exclude Victory Global Academy. She stated that she believed they may move to disqualify the agency because they did not attend the mandatory provider workshop and submitted their application five hours late. She also reminded the board that the agency submitted their application late the previous year.

Antoinette Cannon provided additional information about the workshop options and communication received from Victory Global Academy. She explained to the board that staff held a total of four workshops, including two makeup workshops. She also explained that Victory Global Academy sent an apology for not attending a workshop and for submitting their application late, they also included additional information regarding their qualifications.

Carrie Baird made a <u>MOTION</u> to exclude Victory Global Academy for consideration as a provider for the 2023 Summer Camp Scholarship Program. Shawnerie Langford seconded the motion. <u>The motion carried unanimously 6-0.</u>

Charles Moskowitz asked about the procedure for the agencies that had not submitted all required supporting documents. Chair Bruno explained that in previous years, the board has approved the agencies providing they submit all documents to county staff before an agreement is executed.

Carrie Baird made a <u>MOTION</u> to approve all remaining providers for the 2023 Summer Camp Scholarship Program provided they submit all required documentation to the County of Volusia prior to execution of an agreement. Charles Puckett seconded the motion. <u>The motion carried unanimously 6-0.</u>

DISCUSSION BY BOARD MEMBERS OF MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Chair Bruno reminded the board that because each member's term was set to expire in March, they would need to reapply to remain on the board. She encouraged the members to reapply and explained that the applications would be taken to the Volusia County Council in March.

ITEMS FOR STAFF DISCUSSION

There were no items for staff discussion.

ADJOURNMENT

Shawnerie Langford made a **MOTION** to adjourn the meeting. Charles Moskowitz seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 1:44 p.m.