



CHILDREN'S TRUST
OF ALACHUA COUNTY

CHILDREN'S TRUST REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

November 08, 2021 at 4:00 PM

Cade Museum, 811 S Main St, Gainesville, FL 32601

Call to Order

Chair Lee Pinkoson called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM.

Agenda Review, Revision and Approval

Approval of the agenda also approves all of the items on the consent agenda.

Roll Call

PRESENT

Chair Lee Pinkoson

Vice Chair Maggie Labarta

Member Tina Certain

Member Karen Cole-Smith - arrived at 4:05 virtually and was ineligible to vote

Member Ken Cornell

Member Nancy Hardt - arrived at 4:04

Member Carlee Simon

Member Patricia Snyder

Member Cheryl Twombly

ABSENT

Member Susanne Wilson Bullard

Consent Agenda

Motion made by Member Certain, Seconded by Member Cornell to approve the consent agenda.

Voting Yea: Chair Pinkoson, Vice Chair Labarta, Member Certain, Member Cornell, Member Simon, Member Snyder, Member Twombly

Absent: Member Cole-Smith, Member Hardt, Member Wilson Bullard

1. 9.23.21 - Governance Committee Meeting Minutes
2. 10.11.21 Regular Meeting Minutes
3. October 2021 Checks and Expenditures Report

4. Board Member Attendance YTD

Presentation

This presentation took place after Item 6.

5. Children's Home Society of Florida - Howard Bishop Community Partnership School Wellness Program

Rebecca Couch, Area Director CPS and LaToya Jennings Lopez, Director HBMS CPS gave a presentation on the Community Partnership School's Wellness Program at Howard Bishop Middle School. This year, the CTAC has fully funded the position of Wellness Coordinator. This role will aim to increase health and medical awareness for students, parents, and the community. It will coordinate community events to connect children and their families to health, dental, vision, nutrition, and mental health support and services.

Chairman's Report

6. Board Meeting Schedule for 2022

This item took place before Item 5.

Motion made by Member Cornell, Seconded by Member Certain to approve the 2022 Board Meeting Schedule.

Voting Yea: Chair Pinkoson, Vice Chair Labarta, Member Certain, Member Cornell, Member Simon, Member Snyder, Member Twombly

Absent: Member Cole-Smith, Member Hardt, Member Wilson Bullard

7. Nominating Committee for Board Officers

Chair Pinkoson requested three volunteers to serve on a committee to select the next Board Chair, Vice Chair, and Treasurer. Members Hardt, Twombly, and Snyder volunteered.

Motion made by Member Cornell, Seconded by Member Certain to approve the formation of a nomination committee with Members Hardt, Twombly, and Snyder.

Voting Yea: Chair Pinkoson, Vice Chair Labarta, Member Certain, Member Cornell, Member Hardt, Member Simon, Member Snyder, Member Twombly

Absent: Member Wilson Bullard

Not Voting: Member Cole-Smith

8. Letter to the Board of County Commissioners regarding CTAC Board Appointment

Chair Pinkoson's term as a gubernatorial appointee expires on January 1, 2022. The Board of County Commissioners is tasked to submit three nominees to the Governor of Florida as each CTAC board member's term expires. Members are allowed to continue to serve until their term is renewed, or until a new member is appointed by the Governor.

Motion made by Vice Chair Labarta, Seconded by Member Certain to authorize the Chair to submit a request to the Board of County Commissioners to initiate the process of a Governor appointed CTAC board member.

Voting Yea: Chair Pinkoson, Vice Chair Labarta, Member Certain, Member Cornell, Member Hardt, Member Simon, Member Snyder, Member Twombly

Absent: Member Wilson Bullard

Not Voting: Member Cole-Smith

9. Family Resource Centers

Motion made by Vice Chair Labarta, Seconded by Member Hardt to request staff to meet with representatives from Partnership for Strong Families to discuss how they are currently funded, and how the CTAC could assist with additional funding for Family Resource Centers.

Mr. Pennypacker and Ms. Merritt spoke to this item; Mr. Pennypacker estimated the need of funds to be between \$200,000 and \$300,000.

Voting Yea: Chair Pinkoson, Vice Chair Labarta, Member Certain, Member Cornell, Member Hardt, Member Simon, Member Snyder, Member Twombly

Absent: Member Wilson Bullard

Not Voting: Member Cole-Smith

The Executive Director will bring back recommendations at a future meeting.

Governance Committee Report

10. Governance Committee Report

Vice Chair Labarta informed the Board that the committee was on track with reviewing and modifying CTAC's policy documents. The next meeting will take place on November 16, 2021.

Executive Director's Report

ED Murphy reported on recent events and work the CTAC has been doing, including hosting four complete and well-attended YDCBC classes, throwing a successful Lights On Afterschool event at the Cade Museum, and participating in a Business & Leadership Institute for Early Learning kickoff event.

The Executive Director will give a presentation on the Children's Trust tomorrow in Waldo, this week in Newberry, and at an upcoming meeting of GNV4ALL. He reported that the next board meeting, on December 13, 2021, will include match funding requests, a literacy pilot "Freedom School" with the University of Florida, an award for YDCBC, an award for Help Me Grow Alachua, as well as for the Summer Youth Employment Program.

The January meeting will be the Annual Board Meeting, starting from 1:00 PM, which will include an item on the Summer 2022 RFP. An optional workshop to discuss the Summer RFP will take place from 3:00-4:00 PM prior to the December 13, 2021 Board Meeting.

11. Purchase of Audio-Visual Equipment

ED Murphy requested approval for the purchase of AV equipment for the CTAC. The chosen company, Howard Technology Solutions, was recommended by the County and has proven their reputation in Gainesville through multiple projects. They are on a Federal and a State Contract, meaning they have already completed a government competitive bid process, allowing the CTAC to procure services under the same terms. The Executive Director said that while this purchase was not in the approved budget for FY22, funds from the appropriated reserves would cover the cost, and will also make this the first capital expenditure for the CTAC.

Member Simon said that she felt the quotes were expensive and the CTAC should get two more quotes. Member Cornell asked ED Murphy about the time frames of the building lease and the AV installation. Chair Pinkoson asked if the installation was permanent within the rented CTAC building, as well as the depreciation of the equipment over time. ED Murphy confirmed that the equipment could be moved to another location if necessary. Vice Chair Labarta said the equipment will not only assist with making the board meetings accessible to more participants, but will be used for community activities, other meetings, and for training and teaching space.

Motion made by Member Certain, Seconded by Member Hardt to approve the purchase of audio-visual equipment in the amount of \$93,599 from Howard Technology Solutions.

Voting Yea: Chair Pinkoson, Vice Chair Labarta, Member Certain, Member Cornell, Member Hardt, Member Snyder, Member Twombly

Voting Nay: Member Simon

Absent: Member Wilson Bullard

Not Voting: Member Cole-Smith

12. Partnership for Reimagining Gainesville Fund Agreement

Reimagining Gainesville is a community collaboration intending to provide a funding venue for new and innovative community-based ideas. It was established by the University of Florida and the City of Gainesville, each contributing \$75,000. The CTAC proposes a contribution of \$50,000 to be put toward initiatives involving Alachua County children and their families.

Motion made by Vice Chair Labarta, Seconded by Member Cornell to approve the Fund Agreement with the Community Foundation of North Central Florida for the Partnership for Reimagining Gainesville and authorize the Executive Director to execute the agreement.

Voting Yea: Chair Pinkoson, Vice Chair Labarta, Member Certain, Member Cornell, Member Hardt, Member Simon, Member Snyder, Member Twombly

Absent: Member Wilson Bullard

Not Voting: Member Cole-Smith

Programs Report

13. Continuation Funding Recommendations

Motion made by Member Cornell, Seconded by Member Certain to authorize the Executive Director to negotiate contracts with promising providers for continuation funding.

Voting Yea: Chair Pinkoson, Vice Chair Labarta, Member Certain, Member Cornell, Member Hardt, Member Simon, Member Snyder, Member Twombly

Absent: Member Wilson Bullard

Not Voting: Member Cole-Smith

Ms. Galione spoke to the item.

14. Youth Development Capacity Building Collaborative (YDCBC)

Motion made by Vice Chair Labarta, Seconded by Member Cornell to approve the release of ITN 2021-09, to authorize \$300,000 for Youth Development Capacity Building funds during FY21, and authorize the Executive Director to appoint a review team.

Voting Yea: Chair Pinkoson, Vice Chair Labarta, Member Certain, Member Cornell, Member Hardt, Member Simon, Member Snyder, Member Twombly

Absent: Member Wilson Bullard

Not Voting: Member Cole-Smith

Community Engagement Report

15. Florida Children's Council 2022 Legislative Priorities

Motion made by Member Cornell, Seconded by Vice Chair Labarta to approve the Legislative Priorities for 2022.

Voting Yea: Chair Pinkoson, Vice Chair Labarta, Member Certain, Member Cornell, Member Hardt, Member Simon, Member Snyder, Member Twombly

Absent: Member Wilson Bullard

Not Voting: Member Cole-Smith

General Public Comments

Ms. Treloar, from the UF Saving Smiles Dentistry Program, spoke to Item 5.

Mr. Staples, from Aces in Motion, spoke on the data collected from providers.

Member Simon asked about the need of student information and the security of Google Drive.

Motion made by Member Hardt, Seconded by Member Cornell to request a report on what the CTAC does with student data, and what ways it can be secured.

Voting Yea: Chair Pinkoson, Vice Chair Labarta, Member Certain, Member Cornell, Member Hardt, Member Simon, Member Snyder, Member Twombly

Absent: Member Wilson Bullard

Not Voting: Member Cole-Smith

Trust Counsel Swain stated that the information collected is public record, unless the individual is exempted by statute (such as children of firemen, police, judges, etc.).

ED Murphy explained that it is used to evaluate the performance measures of each program, and confirmed that the CTAC does not collect data that could be in violation of any HIPAA or FERPA policies.

Mr. Logan spoke to an article in the New York Times regarding Early Learning Quality Outcomes.

Board Member Comments

For Your Information

Items in this section are for informational purposes only and do not require any action by the Trust.

16. Child Safety Organizations in Alachua County
17. Program Calendar - FY 2021-2022
18. 10.15.21 Letter to the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services
19. Gainesville Sun: Alachua County eyes Duval Elementary for youth arts center
20. TRIM Compliance Letter
21. Communications Report - October 2021

Next Meeting Date

Regular Meeting - Monday, December 13, 2021 @ 4:00 PM
Cade Museum, 811 S Main St, Gainesville, FL 32601

Adjournment

Chair Lee Pinkoson adjourned the meeting at 5:59 PM.