

# BOONE COUNTY CHILDREN'S SERVICES BOARD MEETING

## In-Person Meeting

Boone County Family Resources Building

2700 W Ash St Columbia, MO 65203

*Thursday, September 12, 2024 at 8:00 a.m.*

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### MINUTES

**Board Members Present:** Leigh Spence, Sebastián Martínez Valdivia, Greg Grupe, Wiley Miller, Lynn Barnett, Connie Leipard

**Board Members Absent:** Rodney Dixon, Michele Kennett, Bob Aulgur

**Staff Present:** Joanne Nelson – Boone County Community Services Department Director, Kristin Cummins – Boone County Community Services Deputy Director, Verna Laboy – Boone County Community Services Program Manager, Gina Jenkins – Boone County Community Services Data & Performance Analyst, Michelle Thompson – Boone County Community Services Department Program Specialist, Kerby Webb – Boone County Community Services Program Diversity, Equity, and Inclusivity Specialist, Emilio Ayala Youngblood – Boone County Community Services Administrative Coordinator

**Guests:** Melinda Bobbitt – Boone County Purchasing Department

#### 1. Open Meeting

Leigh opened the meeting at 8:01 a.m.

#### 2. Motion & Vote for Closed Session Pursuant to RSMo §610.021(12)(13)

Sebastián motioned to go into closed session at 8:01AM. Connie seconded the motion.

Roll call: Leigh – yes, Sebastián – yes, Greg – yes, Lynn – yes, Connie – yes

Wiley joined the meeting at 8:11 AM

Melinda left the meeting at 8:27 AM

Greg motioned to deny funding to Youth Empowerment Collective. Lynn seconded the motion.

Roll call: Leigh- yes, Sebastián – yes, Greg – yes, Lynn – yes, Connie – yes, Wiley – yes

Lynn motioned to approve \$19,500 in supplemental funding for First Chance for Children – Baby Bags.

Connie seconded the motion.

Roll call: Leigh- yes, Sebastián – yes, Greg – yes, Lynn – yes, Connie – yes, Wiley – yes

Greg motioned to approve \$8,225 in supplemental funding for First Chance for Children – CRIBS. Lynn seconded the motion.

Roll call: Leigh- yes, Sebastián – yes, Greg – yes, Lynn – yes, Connie – yes, Wiley – yes

Lynn motioned to deny \$8,500 in supplemental funding for First Chance for Children – Lend N Learn.

Sebastián seconded the motion.

Roll call: Leigh- yes, Sebastián – yes, Greg – yes, Lynn – yes, Connie – yes, Wiley – yes

Greg motioned to approve the contract amendment to move \$28,612.50 in funding from The Food Bank of Central and Northeast Missouri, Inc.'s Buddy Packs contract to The Food Bank of Central and Northeast Missouri, Inc.'s Central Pantry – Supplemental Food contract. Connie seconded the motion.

Roll call: Leigh- yes, Sebastián – yes, Greg – yes, Lynn – yes, Connie – yes, Wiley – yes

### **Motion & Vote to come out of Closed Session Pursuant to RSMo 610.021(11)(13)**

Lynn motioned to come out of closed session at 8:10AM. Connie seconded the motion.

Roll call: Leigh – yes, Greg – yes, Rodney – yes, Wiley – yes, Lynn – yes, Bob – yes, Michele – yes, Sebastián – yes

### **3. Approve Minutes for June 13, 2024 Meeting**

Sebastián motioned to approve the June Board meeting minutes. Lynn seconded the motion. The motion passed.

### **4. Financial Report for August 8, 2024**

- The sales tax revenue is nearly \$4,200,000.
- The Use Tax is nearly at \$700,000.
- Other revues include a \$172,000.00 reimbursement from the University of Missouri and \$588 in reimbursement from an employee who left their position and was not vested.

- Sales tax is back up now that students are back in Columbia.
- The contract utilization rate was reviewed. There are a couple contracts that have used a higher percentage of their contract. The average utilization is at 52.96% while being 58% through contract durations.
- Service reallocations that were processed since the previous board meeting were reviewed.

Sebastián motioned to approve the financial report. Connie seconded the motion. The motion passed.

## 5. New Business

No New Business.

## 6. Director's Update

- **FY2025 Budget Update:** The department continues to work on budget with the Auditor and Commissioners. As budget and personnel split discussion continues, Joanne discussed the possibility asked the Board to consider covering a portion of the Health and Justice Coordinator position with Children's Services Funds (CSF) since the work being done by this position involves youth.
- **County Juvenile Justice Network Update – Juvenile SIM:** There will be a Juvenile Sequential Intercept Model (SIM) Mapping on November 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>. The purpose of this is to help the court system understand the problems occurring with youth outside of the justice system.
- **Partner for Better:** The department met with Partner for Better (PFB) and PFB provided general themes surrounding their study. PFB is currently working on the first draft of the report and the board review by the November meeting. PFB will also present the final report to the board in December.
- **Grassroots Funding Opportunity Update:** The department initially met with the grassroots organizations in July. The grassroots shared that they want to meet and network with the other grassroots. The organizations have a report due mid-October. The organizations will receive their second installment after they meet with department staff. The board asked about efforts to get these organizations connected with other non-profits for mentorship.
- **Foundant Update:** The department has signed a contract for a new funding management system. The goal is to have it all built by January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025. The department holds the contract, but the City of Columbia and Heart of Missouri United Way. The County will invoice the partners to cover the costs since they will also be using this new management system.
- **Upward Mobility:** Verna, Gina and Janet Thompson went to NACo and presented about Upward Mobility. There has been communication with Verna from other counties that were present. Upward Mobility held a community update and poverty simulation last week and went great. There is a need to recruit more people to join the workgroups, including County representation.

- **Housing Study:** The Housing Summit is on October 24<sup>th</sup> at Memorial Baptist Church. There will be a recap in the evening for those who were not able to attend the all-day event.

#### 7. **FACE Update**

- **Interim Report:** Initial review has been completed with follow-up questions sent. There is nothing alarming and they are on track with their performance measures. Monthly meetings are still occurring with FACE.
- **Interagency Partner meetings:** FACE shared a letter providing an update on changes to the Interagency Partner meetings. FACE tried surveying meeting partners. The Board requested that FACE continue conversations with partners on how best to adjust the Interagency Partner Meetings.
- **FACE 10 Year Celebration:** There was an email invitation sent out from FACE regarding their 10 Year Celebration. There will be follow up to see who was invited to the celebration.

#### 8. **FACE FY2025 Budget**

FACE provided a revised budget for FY25. There was a discussion about FACE needing to diversify their funding. The Board requested data on contract utilization rate for FACE for the next board meeting.

Lynn motioned to approve FACE's revised FY2025 budget. Sebastián seconded. The motion passed.

#### 9. **Public Comment**

None

#### 10. **Adjourn**

Leigh adjourned the meeting at 10:00 AM

**NEXT MEETING:  
October 10, 2024 at 8:00 a.m.**