



Board of Directors' Meeting Minutes

CSF Community Room
2345 Grand Blvd, 14th Floor, Kansas City, MO 64108
Thursday, June 20, 2024 – 2:30 p.m.

Board Members Present:

Amy Harris (Vice-Chair)
Judy Morgan (Secretary)
Brian Kaberline
Meg McCall
Monica Meeks

Board Members Absent:

Jessica Ramirez (Chair)
Aija Morris (Treasurer)

Guest Affiliations:

Brandi Bair, Hope House
Wakisha Briggs, Bridge Leadership Academy
Ashley, KVC- Niles
Jim Giles, University Health
John Watson, LFCS
Roy White, KVC- Niles

Staff Present:

Rob Whitten (CEO)
Russell Anderson
Kia Cannon
Shannon Dupree
Jane Mosley
Katherine Rivard
Jovanna Rohs
Moji Shogbamimu
Bernadette Spooner Thompson

- I. Call to Order Amy Harris, Vice-Chair

The Children's Services Fund of Jackson County (CSF) Board of Directors' meeting was called to order at 2:32 p.m.

II. CSF Board Members Roll Call/Guest Introductions Amy Harris, Vice-Chair
Roll call was taken, and guests were invited to introduce themselves.

III. Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes Amy Harris, Vice-Chair

A. Dir. Harris called for a motion to approve or make comments regarding changes to the May 16, 2024, meeting minutes circulated in the board packet. There were no changes forthcoming.

A motion was made to approve the May 16, 2024, board meeting minutes.

First: Dir. Kaberline Second: Dir. Morgan Motion: Approved
Aye: 5 Nay: 0

B. Proposed Agenda Amy Harris, Vice-Chair
There were no changes to the proposed agenda.

IV. Investing in Children Amy Harris, Vice-Chair

A. Partner Spotlight- Child Protection Center, Lisa Mizell, President/CEO
The organization's CEO gave a brief overview of the organization's mission, purpose and duties. The CEO also discussed some of the initiatives, priorities and plans for the Child Protection Center and their work in the community.

B. Financial Report- Moji Shogbamimu, Chief Financial Officer
As Ms. Shogbamimu has been out of the country for an extended period, financial statements for May are still under review. Financial highlights shared include:

May 2024 Revenue/Program Support

Category	May 2024 YTD	2024 Budget
Tax Revenue Received	\$13.96M	\$32M
Investment Income	\$242k	\$337k
Interest Income		
Total Revenue	\$14.1M	\$32.3M
Category	May 2024 YTD	2024 Budget
Core Funding	\$5.7M	\$22.3M
Capacity Building	\$530k	\$3.5M
Collaboration	\$1.7M	\$3M
Community Projects	\$105k	\$500k
Program Support (Total)	\$8M	\$29.3M

C. CSF Funding Opportunities- Judy Morgan, External Affairs Chair/ Jovanna Rohs, CPO

a. Capacity Building Award

The External Affairs Committee met in May to review Capacity Building applications and deferred one recommendation from the Transition Academy pending additional information. Upon further review, the following motion was made.

A motion was made to approve the Capacity Building Award for The Transition Academy's Project Elevate funding to begin on July 1, 2024, with a total not to exceed \$70k for one year.

First: Dir. Morgan

Second: Dir. Meeks

Motion: Approved

Aye: 5

Nay: 0

b. Core Funding: Calendar Year 2025/2026

The LOI (Letter of Intent) closed on April 26th with the Fund receiving 108 requests totaling \$70.4M. The CSF staff reviewed LOI's and invited 82 potential partners to move forward in the process. Partner conversations will occur August-September 2024 with a recommended funding slate brought to the BOD Meeting in October 2024. The anticipated slate for funding is anticipated to total \$33-36M.

V. Strengthening Partners- Judy Morgan, External Affairs Chair/ Rob Whitten CEO

A. Workforce Initiative Follow- Up

CSF co-sponsored this initiative with the Jackson County Community Health Fund last fall. CSF co-hosted a follow up session in April where the team brainstormed four topic areas in support of workforce development. CSF staff met with other stakeholders in the initiative last week to strategize around the information received from the follow up session. One idea that was agreed upon for further consideration was implementing a leadership training academy project to create a central hub for various training requirements in the behavioral health space. Further discussions around this idea will continue.

VI. Honoring Community- Judy Morgan, External Affairs Chair/ Rob Whitten CEO

A. Children's Services Assessment

Jane Mosley, Director of Impact shared an update on this project, which began with the release of an RFP (Request for Proposal) for the external support needed for a community assessment to targeted research supports (KU, UMKC and MIMH). We received one response from The Liming Group, LLC, which is comprised of a team of KU Social Welfare department professors. The response to the RFP includes a cost of \$40k. The staff is requesting board approval to move forward with this vendor and this project, with an assessment

kickoff to include community partners in early August.

A motion was made to approve the initial engagement with the Liming Group, LLC for the research for the CSF Children's Services Assessment not to exceed \$40k.

First: Dir. Morgan

Second: Dir. Meeks

Motion: Approved

Aye: 5

Nay: 0

A. 2023 Impact Report

The impact report has been printed and sent out digitally. CSF funded services provided support to 52,150 children in 2023. The report includes CSF Board and Staff along with how dollars were spent (organizations and number of children served), and 2023 financial information.

B. CSF Community Room Use

We have had 7 partners use the Community Room since the last BOD Meeting. We have had over 20 reservations for the current year. CSF has received increased interest in using the space, and at times the team has had to decline requests due to the room already being reserved. The Community Room will be used internally for Partner Conversations between August 12 - September 13, 2024.

VII. Optimize Organization- Amy Harris, Internal Affairs Chair/Rob Whitten, CEO

A. Organizational Updates

i. Grant management software- Jovanna Rohs, CPO

CSF staff is meeting weekly with Fluxx implementation team to start process of mapping processes, building out the portal, blueprint planning, and training staff. There has been the first of four data migrations to Fluxx software with a targeted go-live date of 12/1/24.

ii. GEO Conference- Jovanna Rohs CPO

Jovanna Rohs and Bernadette Spooner Thompson from the CSF staff attended the Grantmakers for Effective Organizations conference in Los Angeles. GEO focuses on how to make philanthropic work more impactful and equitable in the community. The focus this year was voices and vision of change. The sessions focused on looking at processes in practice, equity, learning about communities and vulnerability around the funding.

iii. CSF Climate Survey- Russell Anderson, Director of Health Equity

Russell Anderson discussed his role as the new Director of Health Equity for CSF. One of his first initiatives is a climate survey for the CSF staff to get a baseline of how staff felt from an equity and belonging perspective in the workplace. The completion target date is the end of June.

iv. Board Survey Follow Up- Rob Whitten, CEO

Rob discussed the survey with the Board Chair and Vice-Chair, and continued dialogue will focus on the feedback of the board members who responded.

VIII. Old/New Business

Amy Harris- Vice-Chair

None noted.

IX. Director and Guest Comments

Amy Harris, Vice-Chair

Guest Brandi Blair with Newhouse, Inc. asked a follow up question regarding support around DEIB training that could perhaps be facilitated by CSF's Director of Health Equity in the future. Guest Wakisha Briggs of Bridge Leadership Academy came to the meeting to thank CSF for support and discussed some of the programs and impact the Fund has on the nonprofit and children served.

X. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:43pm

Respectfully submitted: Kia Cannon



Judy Morgan, Secretary

