



CHILDREN'S
SERVICES
FUND
OF JACKSON COUNTY

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Thursday, June 26, 2025 – 3:00 p.m.

CSF Community Room

2345 Grand Blvd, 14th Floor, Kansas City, MO 64108

Board Members Present:

Amy Harris (Chair)
Brian Kaberline (Vice- Chair)
Judy Morgan (Secretary)
Monica Meeks (Treasurer)
Dan Nelson
Jessica Ramirez
Ralph Teran

Staff Present:

Rob Whitten (CEO)
Russell Anderson
Seth Baker
Kia Cannon
Shannon Dupree
Jane Mosley
Celeste Ortiz
Katherine Rivard
Jovanna Rohs
Mojib Shogbamimu

Guest Affiliations:

John Maloney, G.A.P.
Mandy Rosenbaum-Oude, Swope Health
Louisa Spangler, Hope House

- I. Call to Order Amy Harris, Chair

The Children's Services Fund of Jackson County (CSF) board meeting was called to order at 3:06 p.m.

- II. CSF Board Members Roll Call/Guest Introductions Amy Harris, Chair

Roll call was done and new CSF board members Dan Nelson and Ralph Teran were introduced.

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

Dir. Harris called for a motion to approve or make comments regarding changes to the April 24, 2025, board meeting minutes circulated in the board packet. There were no changes forthcoming.

A motion was made to approve April 24, 2025, board meeting minutes.

First: Dir. Kaberline Second: Dir. Morgan Motion: Approved
Aye: 6 Nay: 0

*Dir. Ramirez was not present for this vote.

Proposed Agenda

Amy Harris Chair

There were no comments regarding needed changes to the proposed agenda.

IV. Investing in Children

Amy Harris, Chair

A. Audit Presentation

Brent Wilson & Jessie Kelly, CBIZ MHM

The CBIZ audit team completed an on-site audit at CSF offices the week of April 7th and presented the audit results to CSF Internal Affairs Committee earlier this month, who in turn recommended bringing audit findings to the full board for acceptance. A high-level review of what was shared with the Internal Affairs committee was shared with the full board. Mr. Whitten recognized Ms. Shogbamimu and her team for the positive audit results.

A motion was made to accept the 2024 audit of Children's Services Fund as performed by CBIZ.

First: Dir. Meeks

Second: Dir. Morgan

Motion: Approved

Aye: 7

Nay: 0

B. Financial Update - Moji Shogbamimu, Chief Financial Officer

A review of the financials circulated in the board packet was completed with the following highlights from May 2025:

2025 YTD Financials (as of 05.31.25)

Revenue	YTD
Tax Revenue	\$14,106,340
Investments	\$290,150
Total Revenue	\$14,396,494

Expenses	YTD
Program Support	\$9,696,046
Operating & Overhead	\$1,131,787
Total Expenses	\$10,827,833

2025 YTD Financial Position (as of 5.31.2025)

Expenses	YTD
Assets	\$30,143,289
Obligations (2025 Contracts)	\$33,256,831
Total Net Assets	(\$3,113,542)

C. CSF Funding – Jovanna Rohs, CPO

1. Following prior board discussion regarding support for partners that charge tuition or fees, staff recommended second-year funding for two partners who had received one-year contracts pending the outcome of the above-mentioned board discussion: Plaza Academy and Peace Partnership.

A motion was made to approve Year 2 of Core Funding for Plaza Academy in the amount of \$150,000 and Peace Partnership in the amount of \$130,000.

First: Dir. Kaberline

Second: Dir. Meeks

Motion: Approved

Aye: 7

Nay: 0

2. Staff recommended transferring the contract from Kansas City Black Mental Health Initiative to Clear Tomorrow KC after the former agency ceased operations. The program, focused on providing clinicians of color for communities of color, will continue unchanged under Clear Tomorrow KC, which is financially stable and led by staff with ties to the former initiative.

A motion was made to approve the transfer of the remainder of the current contract year and through 2026 from KC Black Mental Health Initiative to Clear Tomorrow KC based on the application and budget of the former.

First: Dir. Morgan

Second: Dir. Nelson

Motion: Approved

Aye: 7

Nay: 0

3. Current Climate Response Scenarios- Rob Whitten, CEO/Jovanna Rohs, CPO

Dr. Rohs discussed a staff proposal to allow current partners using unit-based reimbursement to opt into an expense-based reimbursement model to support organizations impacted by reduced service delivery due to external factors. This one-time option would apply for the remainder of their current contract cycle (12 months for Academic Year funding or 18 months for Calendar Year funding) and would require partners to provide a rationale for the request. Partners must still report units served. The board supported moving forward with the change.

- V. Strengthening Partners
- A. CSF Convenings

Jovanna Rohs, CPO

As a follow-up to action steps outlined in the Children's Services Assessment, CSF held its first related partner convening on June 12, with a focus on clinical supervision. Key themes included access barriers, burnout, compensation challenges, and staff turnover. Upcoming convenings will address shared training and credentialing, refining service area definitions, and supporting dual-generation interventions.

- VI. Honoring Community

Rob Whitten, CEO

- A. Children's Services Assessment Update-

Jane Mosely, Dir. of Impact

A recap of the May 8 Children's Services Assessment event was shared, highlighting four key assessment themes: compromised youth well being, strained system of care, workforce limitations, and barriers to access. The event also included the Missouri Budget Project and Kids Win Missouri, who

provided legislative updates and context. The board expressed interest in strengthening CSF's policy and advocacy engagement going forward.

B. Community Impact Report 2024 Rob Whitten, CEO

Rob shared that the 2024 Impact Report is in final review and will be published soon. The report highlights key funding outcomes, partner activities, and community impact over the past year. Once finalized, it will be distributed online and in print.

C. Community Engagement Rob Whitten, CEO

The staff engaged in several community initiatives, including attending the Mental Health KC Conference and the "Skin Deep" convening, which focused on racial disproportionality in foster care and is funded by CSF. Additionally, Children's Services Fund was honored with the Community Impact Award by The Children's Place at their recent Gratitude Brunch.

VII. Optimize Organization Rob Whitten, CEO

A. CSF Updates Rob Whitten

Rob recognized several CSF team member work anniversaries.

B. CSF Nominating Update Rob Whitten

Two new board members, Dir. Nelson and Dir. Teran, were again introduced as attending their first board meeting. CSF still has two board vacancies and lacks representation from Districts 2 & 4.

VI. Old/New Business Amy Harris, Chair
None noted.

VII. Director and Guest Comments Amy Harris, Chair
None noted.

VIII. Adjournment
The meeting was adjourned at 4:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Kia Cannon



Judy Morgan, Secretary

Next Meeting: August 21, 2025, at 3:00p.m. CST – CSF Community Room