

Spalding County Collaborative Authority for Families & Children

Executive Committee Meeting

Eagles Way Church

September 3, 2014

Present: Carmen Caldwell, Donna Parks, John Quinn, Stephanie Windham, and Jewel Walker-Harps; Joseph Walker and Regina Abbott

Call to Order: Carmen Caldwell

Minutes: Motion by Jewel Walker-Harps to approve May 15, 2014 minutes; second by Donna Parks; unanimous vote.

E-Vote: Motion by John Quinn to accept Executive Committee electronic vote on July 16, 2014 resulting in 4-yes and 1-no to support an application to the Council on State Governments Justice Center for an opportunity to participate in the Integrated Reentry and Employment Strategies Pilot Project; second by Stephanie Windham; unanimous vote.

Financial Report: Motion to approve financial reports through June 30, 2014 and through July 31, 2014 with correction at the top of the July report to "July 31" by Stephanie Windham; seconded by John Quinn; unanimous vote.

Executive Director's / Coordinator's Report:

Senior Conference scheduled for September 23 from 9 am – 2 pm. Dr. Perry Buffington is the keynote speaker. Submitted Q4 FY2014 Family Connection (FC) and Department of Audits & Accounts Nonprofit & Local Government Audits bi-annual Retirement Plan Survey; change in phone service to reduce cost to \$25 per month for 250 minutes and using the cost savings for Dropbox (\$99/year for 100 GB) for storing electronic records bringing us closer to a virtual office; will setup a PayPal account for on-line donations. Directors and Officers binder received; no change in premium or coverage. Making Griffin-Spalding Better Together Conference planning is progressing. The FY2014 Self-assessment is online for review; attendees at September Collaborative and Board meetings will be asked for input; due to FC by September 30. A minimum of ten FY2015 FC Vitality Surveys need to be completed between September 15 and November 28. Griffin-Spalding County Schools (GSCS) increased funding for Stewards of Children to \$5,500. The Department of Justice Technical Assistance grant application withdrawn due to Georgia Corrections not using research based assessment tools. Griffin Housing Authority received National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials Merit Award in Tampa during July; just received word they have been selected for the National Award of Excellence to be awarded in Maryland during October. Trinity CME Church (Pastor Ursula Williams) located at 509 E. Solomon Street is holding their first annual community expo on September 20 from 11 am – 3 pm; they invited the Spalding Collaborative to exhibit. Spalding Regional Hospital 5K Scrub Run is scheduled for September 13. Healthy Children Strategy Team requests to market the Kroger Community Awards and Amazon Smile program with proceeds going to Healthy Children. HCST will be applying for the Agnes Hunt funds, also. No other significant funding is coming in at the moment for Healthy Children.

Old Business:

Board member mentor assignments were distributed. The Board Retreat agenda was finalized. Joseph will order lunch.

Will Doss, chair of the Nominating Committee, will present the following slate of officers for 2015, each of which have agreed to serve, to the Board for consideration on September 16, 2014: Chair, Cynthia Tidwell; Vice Chair, Will Doss; Treasurer, Donna Parks; Secretary, Jewel Walker-Parks; Member-at-Large, John Quinn; Parliamentarian, Bob Dull.

Harps

The Doc Holliday Festival partners (Eagles Way Church, Chamber of Commerce, Downtown Council, Griffin Main Street) have selected Spalding Collaborative to receive any charitable proceeds netted from the event for this year. The two-day event is planned for September 25 beginning at 5 pm and ending at 4 pm on September 26. The Spalding Collaborative has the opportunity to sell concessions during the poker tournament at Hollywood Hills on Saturday requiring a time commitment from 9 am – 4 pm. The Youth Advisory Council will try to take advantage of this fund raising opportunity.

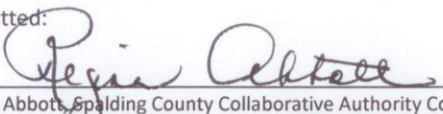
New Business:

Donna Parks made a motion second by Jewel Walker-Harps to serve as FY2015 fiscal agent for CHARMS to receive funding from Griffin Housing Authority for after school program at Fairmont Homes. Unanimous vote. Donna Parks made a motion second by Jewel Walker-Harps to enter into Memorandum of Agreement with Griffin Housing Authority for FY2015 funding for Backpack Food for Kids Program. Unanimous vote.

GSCS has been given 350 book bags and boxes of food from Speedway Charities for Children.

The next Executive Committee meeting is October 16 at 8:30 am at Eagles Way Church. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Submitted:


Regina Abbott, Spalding County Collaborative Authority Coordinator

Approved:


Carmen Caldwell, Spalding County Collaborative Authority Chair