

**Queen Anne's County
Community Partnerships for Children and Families (LMB)
Minutes
April 17, 2019**

Those present for the Community Partnerships for Children and Families Board meeting:

Members Present:

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| Meredith Braden, Community Member | Laura Roth, Community Member |
| Susan Coppage, QAC Depart. of Social Services | Mary Ann Thompson, Vice President, Secretary, Community Member |
| Brad Engel, QAC Department of Education | Mary Walker, Community Member |
| Joe Grabis, President, Dept. of Juvenile Services | |
| Bobbi Graef, QAC Department of Health | |
| Claire Johnson, Student Member | |
| Michelle Johnson, Community Member | |
| Megan Pinder, MidShore Behavioral Health Systems | |
| Vince Radosta, Community Member | |

Administrative Staff:

Michael Clark, Director
Lisa Michaels, Administrative Assistant
Jennifer Stansbury, Operation Specialist and Office
Coordinator II

Member Regrets:

Peg Anawalt, Chesapeake College
Joan Brooks, QAC Recreation
Karla Altamirano, Community Member
Pastor Mark Farnell, Community Member
Gery Hofmann, QAC Depart. of Sheriff
Margie Houck, QAC Commissioners Office
Carrie O'Connor, Community Member

Guests:

Deputy Joseph Saboury, QAC Office of the Sheriff
State's Attorney Lance Richardson, Office of the
State's Attorney
Warren Wright, Drug Free Queen Anne
Maggie Terzaghi, QAC Health Department

I. Welcome, Call to order & Introductions:

Joe Grabis, Board President, welcomed all members, and the meeting was called to order.

II. LMB Updates & Reports:

a. Executive Committee

The Executive Committee met on April 8, 2019. The Committee received updates and reviewed and approved the agenda. No decisions need ratification.

b. Secretary

Mary Ann Thompson, Board Vice President and Secretary, presented the minutes from March 20, 2019 for approval.

****Action:**

Vince Radosta moved to approve the March 20, 2019 minutes as written. Bobbi Graef provided a second. All present voted in favor with no abstentions and the motion was carried.

c. Treasurer

Joe Grabis, Board President, presented the Treasurer's Reports for March 2019.

****Action:**

Vince Radosta made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as written. Bobbi Graef provided a second. All present voted in favor to accept the Treasurer's Report with no abstentions and the motion was carried.

Joe Grabis reminded the Board of the Treasurer vacancy. Please contact Mike Clark or Lisa Michaels if you are interested.

d. Director's Report

The NOFA has been submitted. A special thanks to the Board and the Strategic Planning Committee for participating in that process. A special thanks to Shelby and Jennifer for all their hard work on the grant. A copy of the NOFA will be sent out to the Board members soon.

A power point overview of the NOFA has been included in your board packets.

Wayne Humphries along with Mike Clark and Kelly Huber met with and provided updates to Lisa Starkey from the Clifton Foundation regarding Character Counts and the Coordinator position vacancy. The Clifton Foundation provides funding to Character Counts!

The meeting went well and the Clifton Foundation was very pleased with our Character Counts! program. The Foundation announced they are seeking organizations to support who are building a character program. Pass that information along to your contacts.

The Governor's Office for Children completed an audit of the LMB. The audit went extremely well. Special thanks to Jennifer for a job well done.

e. Membership Committee

The Membership Committee met via email.

Jim Wills is no longer on the Board and he will be replaced by the next Transit Administrator.

Pastor Mark Farnell's term has expired. Perhaps Pastor Mark can recommend another clergy person from the community.

Bill Walmsley has resigned from his position as Board Member.

Please complete your membership survey as soon as possible and contact the Nomination Committee with names of potential board members.

III. Cultural Proficiency Updates

The Multicultural Proficiency Committee/Sunday Supper Committee will be hosting a Conversation on Race dinner on May 15, 2019 at the Kennard Heritage Center. The theme of this dinner will be *Looking Through Our Schools Using the Lens of Equity*. Mary Walker is heavily involved and is the contact person. Open to anyone interested. There is a website where you can RSVP.

Eighteen students were sent to the University of Bowie and those students were accepted on the spot by the university. Some of the students will be first generation college students. The students who attended felt very welcomed and were well received.

IV. Update on Substance Abuse in Queen Anne's County

- a. Brad Engel - see attached.
- b. Joe Saboury – see attached.
- c. Lance Richardson:
 - 10 grams or less of marijuana is a civil citation.
 - Heroin users start with marijuana.
 - Vape users are using MJ oils.
 - Fentanyl is causing deaths.
 - The new iPhone security technology makes it difficult for law enforcement to follow trails of drug addicts.
 - MD drug laws are broken.
 - Good Samaritan act – Drug overdoses do not go to jail, but instead go to the hospital for narcan treatment.
 - Any drug received must be sent to MD crime lab for analysis.
- d. Maggie Terzaghi:
 - Provide wrap around support services.
 - Peer Support Program – utilizes lived experience of peer support specialists to encourage clients to be advocates for their own recovery. This program will be launched November 1st.
 - The health department has partnerships with the local agency.
 - Legislations – getting involved with legal process and passing laws to make sure services are accessible for our QAC residents.
 - Family support groups meet at the Nielsen Center.
 - AA groups meet once a week along with anxiety and depression support group.
 - Community outreach – Narcan and CPR training for the community.
 - PEER program – care coordination which receives referrals to monitor and put in touch – for recovery addicts.

- Pay for housing for people released from detention centers. – to help them get back on their feet.
- MEC Team – make referrals for treatment.
- A program is being developed with DSS – working with substance involved new borns.
- Safe Station – expanding the hours at the Nielsen Center. Monday-Friday 11:00 p.m.
- Fentanyl test strips will be available.
- Wellness center – successful acupuncture group working with those in recovery. Improvement of anxiety, sleeping, eating, any symptoms in your first months of recovery.
- Integrate mindfulness – yoga, meditation, nutrient, overall health.
- Services right now are for adults.
- Additional beds at the Witsit Center.

e. Warren Wright

- Compliance checks – Full compliance for area restaurants.
- 700 lbs of unused medication was collected.
- Haunted Crack house.
- QAC goes purple in September.
- QACDFC@gmail.com
- Great increase in community knowledge by doing the survey.

V. Announcements and Adjourn

The next Board of Directors meeting is May 15, 2019, BOE Room A from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.