## **Kids Hope Alliance**

The Jacksonville Partnership for Children, Youth and Families 1095 A. Philip Randolph Blvd. Jacksonville, FL 32206

Board Meeting Minutes						
Meeting Information	<b>Board Member Attendance</b>					
Date: May 20, 2020 Location: Zoom Meeting	Y	Kevin Gay- Chair	Y	Tyra Tutor		
	Y	Dr. Barbara Darby	Y	Dr. Marvin Wells		
	Y	Rebekah Davis	Y	Donna Orender		
	Y	Rose Conry				

ZOOM Meeting: (646) 558-8656 Meeting ID 994 9791 1267

<u>Advisory</u>: Rob Mason, Office of Public Defender; Laura Lothman, State Attorney Office; Dana Kriznar, Duval County Public School

<u>City Staff</u>: Julia Davis, Office of General Counsel

KHA Staff: Mike Weinstein, Dr. Saralyn Grass, Delores Williams, Travis Williams, Cory Armstrong, Joyce Watson, April Hart, Lenora Wilson, Rodger Belcher, Sylvester Pinckney, Mary Nash, John Everett, Kenneth Darity, Katoia Wilkins, Tyrica Young, Dae Lynn Helm, and LaRaya Strong

Agenda Items	Action/Outcome
CALL TO ORDER	Kevin Gay called the meeting to order at 10:05 am. Chairman Gay thanked everyone for calling into the meeting today and talked about the extraordinary times we are in. Chairman Gay asked Rodger Belcher to give some helpful information and tips for the Zoom meeting and instructions on how to participate during the meeting.
APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES	Chairman Gay asked for a motion to approve the February 19, 2020 board summary. Dr. Barbara Darby made the motion to approve with minor changes. Rose Conry seconded it. Chairman Gay asked for discussion and public comments. With none being heard the motion to approve the summary was passed.
CHIARMAN'S REPORT	Chairman Gay talked about the recapture funds legislation and mentioned that the senior leadership team is working to get those funds back. Chairman Gay moved into the Committee

	reports and then introduced KHA staff so that they can give updates on what has been going on since our last meeting and during the COVID 19 emergency.
FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT	Mrs. Tutor gave the Finance Report from the meeting that took place on February 12th. The Finance Committee reviewed the Out of School Time RFP which will be discussed later.
GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE REPORT	Dr. Darby gave the Governance Report from the meeting that took place on April 3rd. The Committee approved the Summer Camp Continuation Funding and I'm A Start Foundation no cost extension request. Chairman Gay talked about making sure that the data aligns with the programs for successful measurements and Dr. Darby agreed.
STAFF UPDATES	<ul> <li>KHA staff gave updates on their Essential Services Category. The board was allowed time to ask questions and get more information if needed.</li> <li>Kenneth Darity, Out of School Time</li> <li>Mary Nash, Special Needs</li> <li>Lenora Wilson, Early Learning</li> <li>Tyrica Young, Out of School Time Grants, Nutrition</li> <li>Katoia Wilkins, Juvenile Justice</li> <li>John Everett, Preteen and Teens</li> <li>Rodger Belcher, Data Systems</li> </ul>
CONSENT AGENDA	Dr. Grass went over the consent agenda items and went into more details on the Recaptured Funds Legislation and Hope Street Budget Increase items.  • Autism Speaks Grant Application • Summer Jobs connect Planning Grant Application • Comprehensive Anti-Gang Programs for Youth Grant Application • I'm A STAR Foundation No Cost Extension • Recaptured Funds Legislation • Summer Camp Continuation Funding • Hope Street Budget Increase  Mr. Weinstein gave some information on the recapture funds legislation and KHA's ability to use the additional funds for summer camps; this is on top of what has already been set aside to summer camps.  The Board asked how summer camps will be established this

year due to the COVID19. Mr. Weinstein said the providers will have to be creative. Some will offer virtual camps; some will offer an actual camp while other may offer a hybrid model and that they will provide meals to the students. The agencies will be paid based on the invoices they submit which will be reviewed by staff before funds are provided. Mr. Weinstein says camps at Duval County Public Schools are still being worked out and that Parks and Recreation centers are set to go. Chairman Gay asked if the Board would like to pull any item to discuss in more details. Chairman Gay asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda. Dr. Wells made the motion and Rose Conry seconded it. Chairman Gay opened the floor for discussion and public comments. Dr. Darby talked about funding levels for the providers and funding those who have not met the performance levels of their contracts. Mr. Weinstein say there will be new contracts with all providers and that will be included. Mr. Belcher checked for any public comments for which there were none.

Public Comment was made by Leon Baxton thanking staff for listening to the providers. With no other comments being heard, Chairman Gay asked all in favor to say "aye'. All were in favor and the motion to approve the consent agenda was passed.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

## **Healthy Families RFP**

Mary Nash, Director of Special Needs gave an update on the Healthy Families RFP. Ms. Nash said the Board has already approved the minimum requirements, scope of services and metrics. Ms. Nash talked about best practices and the 16 outcomes that will be required in this contract. Ms. Nash said the service level was decreased to 400 to free up funding to offer competitive salaries, but they could raise it back if needed. Also, they will be moving to a paperless system which will be more efficient for their staff. Chairman Gay asked for a motion to approve the Healthy Families RFP. Dr. Wells made the motion and Dr. Darby seconded it. Chairman Gay asked for public comments. With none being heard, Chairman Gay asked all in favor to say "aye". All were in favor and the motion was passed.

Direct Funding for Jacksonville Alliance for KIPP Schools Mr. Weinstein went over the Direct Funding for Jacksonville Alliance for KIPP Schools. The request is to move funding out of the Out of School Time category to Preteen and Teen category. Mr. Weinstein said we have funded KIPP Schools in the past and that the Board can decided if they want to fund

them again. Dr. Grass said that moving the funds from one category to another will not affect the funding level for that category. Rebekah Davis made the motion and Donna Orender seconded it. Dr. Darby talked about the specific guidelines for the Preteen and Teen category and that this program does not meet the guidelines. There was discussion on making changes to the Essential Services categories, when would council approval be needed, and possibly adding another category. The Board talked about future funding of this program and other programs like this one, will there be an RFP offered for other programs like KIPP. Dr. Darby was concerned that we are establishing a precedent and moving this request outside of the categories we have in place. Council Member LeAnna Cumber asked why this request was not included in the original RFP. Mr. Weinstein explained that KIPP schools offer longer school days than the traditional programs and therefore was not able to apply for the afterschool and summer camp RFP. Discussion continued on the program structure and what would be best. With that being said, Dr. Darby made a motion to amend their motion and Dr. Wells seconded it. Chairman Gay asked if there were any public comments at this time. With none being heard, Chairman Gay asked all in favor to amend the motion to say "aye". All were in favor and the motion to amend was passed. Chairman Gay asked for a motion to approve the motion on the table to move the KIPP funding request to a stand-alone category. Rose Conry made the motion and Rebekah Davis seconded it. The floor was open for public comments and discussion. With none being heard, Chairman Gay asked all in favor to say "aye". All were in favor and the motion was passed.

Gary Chartrand made public comments about KIPP School and the programs they offer.

## CEO NEXT STEPPS

Chairman Gay said the Mr. Peppers has tendered his resignation and engage the board on next steps. Mrs. Conry talked about acting and interim CEO and going forward to provide the best services for the children. Dr. Wells recommended Mr. Weinstein for the interim CEO position and said that we needed someone to provide stability and has strong financial knowledge of KHA. Mr. Gay asked Mr. Weinstein if he would entertain the offer for the position and sign on for the foreseeable future. Mr. Weinstein said he would take the position as permanent CEO of Kids Hope Alliance and not interim. He would like to continue to provide stability to staff and to our providers. Tyra Tutor supported the recommendation to offer the position to Mr. Weinstein as the permanent CEO and added that Mr. Weinstein has all the

	qualities that the Board is looking for in a permanent role. The Board discussed with Julia Davis if they need to make any changes to their request from the last board meeting. Mrs. Davis replied that the Board can just rescind their prior motion from the last Board meeting if that is what they would like to do. There was discussion on applying versus being asked to a position. Once that was established Chairman Gay asked for a motion to appoint Mr. Weinstein as the permanent CEO. Dr. Darby mad the motion and Rose Conry seconded it. Chairman Gay said he would reach out to Diane Moser to work out the details. Dr. Wells mention that the Board should allow Dr. Grass who had interest in this position to make comments and commended her for all the hard work that she has done. The Board expressed the appreciation for her and leadership. Dr. Grass said that she has learned a lot from Mr. Weinstein and will continue to learn from him. The Board discussed the length of time for the position and Mrs. Davis explained that as a City employee there will be no contract for employment or any specific length of time for his employment. The Board made a recommendation that the position be until the Board made a decision otherwise. Chairmen Gay opened the floor for public comments. With none being heard, Chairman Gay asked all in favor to appoint Mr. Weinstein as the permanent CEO say "aye". All were in favor and the motion was passed.
FY 20-21 BUDGET DISCUSSION	Mr. Weinstein says that due to the COVID19 and the city shutdown that the budget will be very much like it was last year. No additional positions are available and no funding changes. Mr. Weinstein also talked about starting back up the Committee meetings and conducting them virtually.
REOPENING THE BUILDING	Joyce Watson gave an update on the opening of the building and the process going forward for the safety of staff and any guest to the building. Everyone entering the building will be required to wear a mask, get their temperature checked and complete a medical information form. The building will be opened Monday thru Friday at 8 am until 5 pm. Social distancing will be strictly practiced.
ADJOURN	Chairman Gay thanked everyone for calling. Meeting adjourn at 12:41 p.m.