

Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board  
Virtual Meeting Minutes  
May 13, 2020

The Board met electronically via audio conference call due to the COVID-19 pandemic that made it unsafe to physically assemble a quorum in one location or to have the public present. Access was made available to CSB Board members, CSB staff, and members of the public. The meeting notice, with participation instructions, were posted electronically and on the building in which the meeting is typically held. Additionally, participants were provided an opportunity to register for public comment during the 30 minutes prior to the meeting being called to order.

The following CSB members were present: Bettina Lawton Chair (office); Karen Abraham; Jennifer Adeli; Daria Akers; Captain Derek DeGeare (home); Ken Garnes; Sheila Coplan Jonas (home); Larysa Kautz; Garrett McGuire; Srilekha Palle (home); Edward Rose; Diane Tuininga (home); and Anne Whipple

The following CSB Board members were absent:

The following CSB staff was present: Daryl Washington; Georgia Bachman; Jessica Burris; Linda Mount; Michael Neff; and Barbara Wadley-Young.

Guests: None identified.

1. Meeting Called to Order

Bettina Lawton called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call and Audibility

CSB Board Chair Bettina Lawton, conducted a roll call with each CSB Board Member, as identified above, to confirm that a quorum of current members was present and audible. Ms. Lawton passed the virtual gavel to CSB Board Vice Chair Jennifer Adeli to make several motions required to begin the meeting.

Ms. Lawton made a motion that each member's voice could be adequately heard by each member of the CSB Board which was seconded and passed.

3. Preliminary Motions

CSB Board Chair Bettina Lawton made a motion that the State of Emergency caused by the COVID-19 pandemic makes it unsafe for the CSB Board to physically assemble and unsafe for the public to physically attend any such meeting, and that as such, FOIA's usual procedures, which require the physical assembly of this Board and the physical presence of the public, cannot be implemented safely or practically.

A further motion was made that this Board may conduct this meeting electronically through a dedicated audio-conferencing line, and that the public may access this meeting by calling 1-877-411-9748. All motions were seconded and approved

4. Matters of the Public

No matters were presented.

5. Amendments to the Meeting Agenda

No revision recommendations were proposed.

6. Approval of the Minutes

Draft minutes of the February 26, 2020 meeting of the Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board were presented for review. As no suggestions for revision were offered, Bettina Lawton made a motion for approval, which was seconded and passed.

7. Director's Report

Daryl Washington provided numerous agency updates, the highlights of which include:

- Noting the FY2021 Budget was approved May 12, 2020, an overview of the items that affect the CSB were provided. Emphasizing that a limited number of positions were approved, it was clarified that existing positions will be restructured and reassigned to create the newly approved positions.
- Jessica Burris and Mr. Washington provided an overview of the fiscal documents that provided an update to the financial effects of COVID-19.
- An update to CSB expenses related to COVID-19 included confirmation that an adequate inventory of PPE (Personal Protective Equipment) is tracked and maintained and there will continue to be an increase in the occurrence of cleaning at all sites, primarily at the Merrifield Center. It was further noted that clients are screened in exterior tents and then escorted into sites for services.
- Facility changes include
  - Residential programs A New Beginning (ANB) and Crossroads merged and relocated to the Crossroads facility.
  - The Crisis Care program moved into the vacant ANB building until renovations to the new Crisis Care location are complete.
  - The main CSB sites providing Medication Clinic and Pharmacy services remain open.
  - Approximately 500 outpatient staff including Support Coordinators and Assessment and Emergency Services staff were trained to provide telehealth services, noting the success of providing telehealth services.
- Referring to the Governor's plans for a phased reopening of the Commonwealth and acknowledging the delay authorized for the Northern Virginia region, Mr. Washington clarified that resumption of normal CSB operations is anticipated for late summer, noting that the Board will receive regular updates.
- Barbara Wadley-Young confirmed that CRSP (Community Readiness & Support Program) has successfully transitioned from CSB direct operation to PRS (Psychiatric Rehabilitation Services) contracted services.
- Mr. Washington provided some background to the Employment and Day services provided through contracted vendor E-Tron, noting that the contract, a copy of which was included in the meeting materials, has been canceled. Individuals impacted by the cancelation will be assisted identifying employment opportunities when normal operations are resumed in the region.

- New BI (Business Intelligence) Dashboard reports were provided, noting the reports were developed in response to a request from the Board. It was acknowledged that the results reflected the impact of COVID-19. Additionally, the FY2020 Q3 CSB Status Report was provided, noting that this report can be an excellent tool for providing regular updates to the Board of Supervisor (BOS) or City Council member that appointed each member to the Board.

8. Matters of the Board.

Daria Akers led an offering of thanks from the board to CSB staff for working so hard during the pandemic.

9. Legislative Testimony

Copies of testimony presented to the Fairfax County Human Services Council and the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors in April was provided in the meeting materials.

10. Action Item

A. *Virginia Behavioral Health Docket Diversion Programs Grant*

Marisa Fariña-Morse and Daryl Washington provided an overview of the DBHDS (Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services) grant, noting that there is some precedence of this type of grant award becoming a baseline increase. Diane Tuininga made a motion to approve applying for and accepting, if awarded, \$185,000 annually for two years in support of the Behavioral Health Docket, which was seconded and approved.

B. *Behavioral Health Equity Mini-Grant.*

Daryl Washington provided an overview of the grant that provides funds to reduce behavioral health disparities in the community. Ken Garnes made a motion to approve applying for and accepting \$10,000 in one-time funds, that was seconded and approved.

Bettina Lawton announced no need for a Closed Session.

There being no further business to come before the Executive Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

Actions Taken - -

- ◆ Motions to confirm audibility, purpose, and accessible electronic access to the meeting as required were proposed and unanimously passed.
- ◆ The February 26, 2020 CSB Board meeting draft minutes were approved.
- ◆ Approval to submit for and, if awarded, accept funding from the DBHDS Virginia Behavioral Health Docket Diversion Programs Grant.
- ◆ Approval to submit for and accept funding from the Behavioral Health Equity Mini-Grant.

June 24, 2020

Date Approved



Staff to the Board