

## CHILDREN'S SERVICES COUNCIL OF BROWARD COUNTY

Held @ 6600 W. Commercial Blvd., Lauderdale, FL 33319  
and by Zoom Webinar with public access by computer or phone

August 15, 2024

9:30 A.M.

### Minutes

#### **Council Members in Physical Attendance:**

Governor Appointee Alyssa Foganholi, Broward County Commissioner Beam Furr, Governor Appointee David H. Kenton, Governor Appointee Julia Musella, DCF Child Protection Director Robert Shea, Health Department Director Paula Thaqi, Governor Appointee Christine Thompson, Governor Appointee Jeffrey S. Wood (*Chair*)

#### **Council Members Absent:**

School Superintendent Howard Hepburn, School Board Member Debra Hixon, Judge Francis Viamontes

#### **Counsel Present:**

Garry Johnson, Esq.

#### **Staff in Attendance:**

Cindy Arenberg Seltzer, Monti Larsen, Sue Gallagher, Maria Juarez, Sharetta Remikie, Dion Smith, Lisa Bayne, Kathleen Campbell, Marlando Christie, Michelle Hamilton, Marissa Greif-Hackett, Carl Dasse, Amy Jacques; Angie Buchter; Tracy Graham; Jimmy Jean; Johnsingh Jeyasingh; Fern Phillip, Nelson Giraldo, Priscilla Cole, Cristina Castellanos, Jocelin Eubanks, Keyonia Lawson, Radoika Pilarte, Ashley Cole, Erin Byrne, Ileana Blanco, Lynn Kalmes, Shantigra Williams, Trisha Dowell, Michelle Hagues, Jessica Rincon, Karen Franceschini, Ivy Pierre, Madeline Jones, Nicolette Picardi, Kim Reid, Camila Mathieson, Mina Razavi, Shira Fowlkes, Latora Steel, Zinajen De Oliveira, Liza Khan, Akil Edwards, Natalie Gomes, S. Lorenzo Benaine, Jennifer Fletcher, Carlos Campos, Nancy Adjohan, Andria Dewson, Amber Gross, Shaquoia Wilson, Clarice Horton, Kandyss Torrence, Gaby Carbonell, Meg Wallace, Julie Toscano, Cynthia Reynoso, Melissa Soza, Alexandra Lemoine, Gabi Tabib, Tabitha Bush, Travis Johnson, Yolanda Meadows, Brooke Sherman, Marissa Aquino, Maxine Goldson, Kyle Jones, Erica Ansley, Roxanne Smith, Valencia McConnico-Bell, Pooja K. Yajnik, Alexia Bridges, Jennifer Wennberg, Zoe Lewis, Diego Alvarez, Diane Choi

#### **Guests in Attendance:**

See Attachment 1

## Agenda:

### I. Call to Order

Dr. Kenton called the meeting to order at 9:33 A.M.

### II. Roll Call

The roll was called and a quorum was established.

### III. Chair's Report

#### a) Moment to Arrive

Council Members took a moment to allow the body and mind to settle and focus before considering the meeting agenda items.

#### b) Welcome New Governor Appointees

Dr. Kenton welcomed Alyssa Foganholi, Julia Musella, and Christine Thompson as the new Governor Appointees to the Council and presented them with CSC pins. Dr. Kenton appointed the new Members to CSC committees.

**ACTION: Dr. Kenton appointed Dr. Thompson and Ms. Foganholi to the CSC Finance Committee; Dr. Thompson and Ms. Musella to CSC's Program Planning Committee (PPC); and Ms. Musella and Ms. Foganholi to the Agency Capacity Building Committee.**

#### c) Dr. Kenton announced that he has accepted the position of Chief Operating Officer (COO) at the CSC and that he plans to resign from the Council later today. In order to avoid any appearance of conflict, he turned over the gavel to Vice Chair Wood, who assumed the duties of the Chair. Secretary Furr then assumed the duties of the Vice Chair. The floor was then opened for nominations for Secretary.

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer shared that Dr. Kenton was chosen out of 100 applicants and went through two rounds of interviews, the first with COOs from United Way, ChildNet, and neighboring CSCs/Trusts. Three candidates were then advanced to the second round of interviews with CSC's Senior Management Team, who unanimously chose Dr. Kenton. Ms. Arenberg Seltzer praised Dr. Kenton for the passion, commitment, and incredible knowledge that he will bring to the position.

Dr. Kenton thanked his wife for her support and for suggesting he apply. He stated that he was honored to have served two terms as Chair of the CSC and to have been recently reappointed to another 4-year term. He

spoke to the importance of the CSC, noting that its work is vital to Broward's children and families. He also issued a reminder to Members that every dollar the Council allocates represents children and families, and that the decisions made at the monthly meetings have a direct impact on those children and families. He stressed to the Members that their commitment is worthy and that their presence and voice are crucial. He concluded by expressing gratefulness for the gift of new relationships and growth.

**ACTION: Mr. Wood nominated Dr. Thompson as Secretary. The nomination was seconded by Ms. Musella and passed with no opposing votes.**

d) June 2024 Council Minutes

**ACTION: Vice Mayor Furr made a motion to approve the Council meeting minutes from June 20, 2024, as presented. The motion was seconded by Dr. Thaqi and passed with no opposing votes.**

e) Reminder – TRIM Hearings/September Meeting

Mr. Wood reminded Members of the two upcoming Truth In Millage (TRIM) Hearings on September 11<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, both at 5:01 PM, and emphasized the importance of a quorum. The monthly meeting will be held on September 26<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 PM.

IV. President's Report

a) Good of the Order

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer highlighted the successful Candidate Connection series that CSC has led over the past 20 years. This year was a successful partnership with the Jewish Federation, the United Way of Broward, Coordinating Council of Broward (CCB), and the Nonprofit Executive Alliance of Broward. The first day featured candidates for State House and Senate and the second day featured school board and sheriff candidates. Non-profit leaders heard what is important for the candidates and the candidates heard what is important to the non-profits.

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer gave an update on the follow-up to the recently held Anti-Semitism Conference in Broward and the initiatives that are coming out of that. She shared that Broward is serving as a pilot for the President's plan to attack antisemitism. She noted that Broward County also provided a grant to make that happen locally. As a result, CSC will host a training for staff and Broward's non-profit leaders. Members are

invited to attend that training at the CSC office on September 25th at 8:30am.

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer shared that Dr. Sue Gallagher participated on a panel for the Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce, along with Maria Hernandez from United Way, Carla Harris from the People's Institute, and Kersti Myles from the Urban League of Broward County, to talk about inclusivity, Community Participatory Action Research (CPAR), and Asset Based Community Development (ABCD). The audience included for-profit and non-profit businesses.

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer highlighted CSC's partnership in the recent United Way Haitian Mental Health Conference, which had more than 100 community participants and featured CSC-provided simultaneous translation services for Creole/English speakers that strengthened the feel of community, connection, and understanding. Shae Williams, CSC's Strategy Manager – Special Needs, and Ashley Cole, CSC's Research & Evaluation Manager, supported the United Way's Creole Initiative Action Team and the Conference.

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer shared that Bridge2Life (B2L) recently hosted their youth content creators' annual celebration. B2L supports seven youth content creators to engage rising Juniors and Seniors who are interested in transitioning to post-secondary educational opportunities. Utilizing various social media, the youth each create posts twice a week that inform families about upcoming college affordability and FAFSA workshops, strategies for securing scholarships, career pathway exploration opportunities, and the process of completing college applications. Mr. Carl Dasse, CSC's Director of Community Research & Partnering, led a conversation with parents of B2L's youth and heard from them how effective B2L is at increasing the confidence, soft skills, and success of the seven content creators. Ms. Arenberg Seltzer explained that B2L is Broward County's Local College Access Network (LCAN) and is now housed at the Broward Education Foundation.

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer highlighted KidVision's recent summer celebration at Davie Ranch for the second season of KidVision Mission. Families spent the afternoon with Miss Penny and enjoyed activities that included a petting zoo, pony rides, face painting, and dancing. Episodes are currently airing on WPBT and WXEL on Sundays and Saturdays at 9:30am.

Members viewed an NBC 6/Forever Family video clip highlighting the Transition to Independent Living (TIL) Graduation.

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer drew Members' attention to the Sun-Sentinel op-ed she co-wrote with Ms. Shelley Mannino (Vice President of Customer

Affairs at Velatura) about transforming the Baker Act system for youth. The op-ed was included in the Community Impact section of the meeting information packet.

Members viewed the new CSC branding video.

b) FYI – Promise Neighborhood Update

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer updated the Council on the possible transfer of the Promise Neighborhood Grant to Florida Atlantic University (FAU), in partnership with the CSC. She noted that all parties are currently in negotiations, and it is looking positive. She gave huge kudos to Mr. Dasse, Dr. Gallagher, and Mr. Dion Smith, CSC's Director of Program Services, for their efforts with this partnership.

V. Chief Program Officer Report

a) Renewal Recommendations for FY 24/25

b) Positive Youth Development (PYD) 2024 Contract Adjustments & 2-1-1 Broward Behavioral Health Contract Renewal

c) Broward Behavioral Health Coalition (BBHC) Contract Adjustment & 2-1-1 Broward Behavioral Health Contract Renewal

Mr. Francisco Isaza, 2-1-1 Broward, thanked the Council for its continued support of 2-1-1. He described the proposed partnership between 211 and BBHC as an innovative program that will be very impactful for Broward's children.

d) Reallocation of Budget for Gerena & Associates S.A.F.E. Program to Unallocated

e) Contingent Revocation of OIC of South Florida PYD Youth FORCE 2024 Award and Delegation of Authority to PPC to Grant New Awards

Mr. Virgilio Rodriguez, OIC of South Florida, thanked the Council for the work it does and for the proposed opportunity to find a pathway forward with the best interest of the students in mind.

f) AIDS Healthcare Foundation as Fiscal Sponsor for SunServe Tri-Party Healthy Youth Transitions (HYT) Agreement

**ACTION: Vice Mayor Furr made a motion to approve all of the action items under the Chief Program Officer's Report, which included approval of the FY 24/25 renewal recommendations; approval of the PYD 2024 contract adjustments for Smith Mental**

**Health Foundation Youth FORCE and YMCA of South Florida, Inc., LEAP High; approval of Broward Behavioral Health Coalition's (BBHC) Contract Adjustment; approval of 2-1-1 Broward's Behavioral Health Contract renewal; approval to reallocate the budget for Gerena and Associates' S.A.F.E. Program to Unallocated; approval of the contingent revocation of OIC of South Florida, Inc., PYD Youth FORCE 2024 award and approval to delegate authority to the PPC to grant new PYD RFP 2024 awards subject to ratification at the September 26, 2024, Council meeting; and approve AIDS Healthcare Foundation as the Fiscal Sponsor for Sunshine Social Services, Inc. (dba SunServe) Tri-party HYT Agreement, all as presented. The motion was seconded by Dr. Thaqi and passed with no opposing votes.**

VI. Chief Equity & Community Engagement Officer Report

Dr. Remikie displayed the Telly Awards that were announced at the last meeting.

- a) Capacity Building Grants
- b) Read for the Record Author Expenditures for Broward activities
- c) Nonrenewal of CRESTS Program and Reallocation of Budget

**ACTION: Vice Mayor Furr made a motion to approve the Capacity Building Grants for non-profit Organizations awards, SBDC coaching, consulting, training and technical assistance for FY 24/25; approve expenditures for author fees for Maris Pasquale Doran's visit to Broward to tape localized promos and read at a local school; and approve reallocation of the budget for CRESTS Program Dr. Cirecie West Olatunji Emancipatory Research Consultant to Unallocated, all as presented. The motion was seconded by Dr. Thaqi and passed with no opposing votes.**

- d) FYI – Back-to-School Extravaganza Recap

Dr. Remikie highlighted this year's successful back-to-school events at Dillard High School, Blanche Ely High School, and Miramar High School. These events were powered by the CSC, in collaboration with the Y.M.C.A., Hispanic Unity, and the Crockett Foundation. Students received backpacks filled with supplies, uniforms, shoes, books, and a variety of free resources. Dr. Remikie estimated that there were at least 10,000 attendees in total. Members viewed a video clip of the events.

- e) FYI – Family Resource Guide

Dr. Remikie drew Members' attention to the new Family Resource Guides at the dais. She pointed out that the Guides are one of the most effective resources CSC has in the community.

## VII. Chief Operating Officer Report

- a) Revenue Update & Related Appropriations for FY 24/25
- b) Policies and Procedures
- c) Budget Amendments and Interim Financial Statements
- d) Managed Fund Statements
- e) Purchases

Ms. Larsen pointed out a scrivener's error in the Purchases, where the last sponsorship request at the bottom of the page had inadvertently been cut off. That item, sponsorship for the Legal Aid Kinship Conference, should be included in the motion and approval.

**ACTION: Dr. Thaqi made a motion to approve the revenue update and related appropriations for FY 24/25; approve the Artificial Intelligence (AI)/Generative Policy; approve the Tuition Reimbursement for Staff Policy; approve Staff Leave Policy revisions; approve the Budget Amendments and Interim Financial Statements for the period ending July 31, 2024; accept the monthly statements for the Managed Fund from PFM and US Bank for July 31, 2024; and approve the CSC monthly/annual Purchases for August 2024 and FY 2024/2025 with the addition of the Legal Aid Kinship Conference sponsorship, all as presented. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Furr and passed with no opposing votes.**

## VIII. Broward Reads Coalition Meeting Report

Vice Mayor Furr briefly highlighted the recent meeting of the Broward Reads Coalition and referred Members to the minutes in the information packet.

IX. Special Needs Advisory Coalition (SNAC) Report

Dr. Gallagher briefly highlighted the recent meeting of the SNAC and referred Members to the minutes in the information packet. She pointed out that currently Ms. Hixon is the sole Co-Chair of the Coalition and that the other Co-Chair position is vacant. If anyone is interested in being Co-Chair of SNAC, please let Dr. Gallagher know.

X. Funders Forum Report

Ms. Juarez briefly highlighted the recent meeting of the Funders Forum and referred Members to the minutes in the information packet.

XI. Public Comment

Ms. Elliana Dorvil, Chief Programs Officer for Broward Partnership, shared information about Broward Partnership, including its shelter and dental services, as well as its housing and re-housing programs.

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer introduced Ms. Carole Mitchell, previously with the School Board of Broward as the District Homeless Education Liaison/HEART Supervisor, as a contributor to the forthcoming Roundtable presentation before she left that position. Ms. Arenberg Seltzer recognized and honored Ms. Mitchell for her 10 years of service in this area of work and her participation in the Broward Children's Strategic Plan Homeless Youth and Families Committee.

XII. Council Members' Roundtable

The Roundtable featured a presentation on the Homeless Youth & Families Committee's Turn the Curve Report. Presenters were Cherish Morales (*Lead Case Manager for Broward Partnership*), Luis Nicola Aguilar (BKA Nico) (*Program Project Coordinator Sr., Coordinated Entry and Assessment for Broward County Housing Options, Solutions, and Supports Division*), Wendell Johnson (*HEART Coordinator for Broward County Public Schools*), and Diane Choi (*Strategy Manager for CSC*).

The panel highlighted the trends that are impacting students and their families experiencing homelessness and shared mitigation efforts and opportunities for future endeavors. There are 3,334 students experiencing homelessness at the elementary school level. Data show that Black and Brown students are more affected by homelessness. Data also show an increase in the number of students and families reported as homeless, but a decrease in the number of families in shelters. This decrease is attributed to existing emergency shelter residents remaining there for longer periods of time, preventing other families from accessing those beds; fewer emergency shelters for families and youth due to



social distancing requirements and necessary renovations to shelter space; and the loss of Covenant House services for youth.

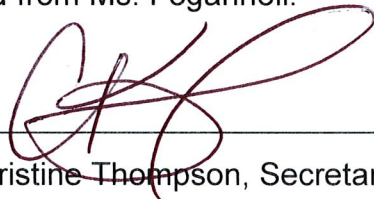
Panelists reflected on what works to reduce student homelessness, such as policy, landlord incentive programs, wraparound case management, life coaches, evidence-based peer-support models, parent engagement through family-strengthening programs, education/job training, and opportunities to access important pillars for success, such as employment, financial literacy, ownership, education courses, health care, and mental health services.

Panelists also looked at additional strategies to reduce the number of families/youth experiencing homelessness, such as investing in staff-retention strategies to prevent high turnover rates; providing safe parking with centralized services and security; improving data-sharing process to streamline access to services; strengthening the quality of processes, procedures, and data; building shelters to accommodate large families to keep families together; creating access to more safe housing options for youth under 18; expanding quality outreach; continuing to optimize family-level access to all pillars for success; and connecting with large pediatric offices who have access to data via their screening process to identify families experiencing homelessness.

The panel concluded with a discussion of the Committee's accomplishments, which included restructuring the Coordinated Entry System to create efficiencies and effectiveness accessing housing; expanding and strengthening cross-system collaborations; enhancing data quality, increasing funding for family/youth programs and outreach; refining targeted family outreach; enhancing collaboration between the Committee and HEART; establishing a partnership between the Broward Education Foundation and the DeLuca Foundation to provide scholarships for 25 high school seniors living in transition; improving identification practices to ascertain BCPS youth and families living in transition; and connecting mentors to high school seniors living in transition entering college.

### XIII. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:57 am with a motion from Vice Mayor Furr and a second from Ms. Foganholi.



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Dr. Christine Thompson, Secretary

# ATTACHMENT 1

## MEETING ATTENDEES (\*denotes speaker)

Name	Organization
Grace Ramos	The M Network
Marie A. Wells	Marie A. Wells Arts and Education Center, Inc.
Francisco Isaza*	211 Broward
Ana Valladares	Mujeres Latinas Empowering Women
Tiffany Lawrence	Broward Behavioral Health Coalition
Rebecca Korda	National Youth Advocate Program
Daniel Foganholi	Broward County Public Schools
Andy Fernandez	Firewall Centers
Olivia Angeli Garcia	Center for Hearing & Communication
Virgilio Rodriguez*	OIC of South Florida
Traci Schweitzer	Department of Children and Families
Fallon Johnson	Urban League of Broward
Cindy Howe	Broward College
Andrew Thompson	N/A
Shannon Atwell	OIC of South Florida
Frandy Jean-Baptiste	OIC of South Florida
Wendell Johnson	HEART – Broward County Public Schools
Ellianna Dorvil	Broward Partnership
Valentina Forero	Charlie Health
Cherish Morales	Broward Partnership
Luis Nicola Aquilar	Broward County
Krissa Ericson	Broward County Public Schools – HEART
Carole Mitchell	City of Fort Lauderdale
Francois Leconte	WDFL TV Channel 18

# FORM 8B MEMORANDUM OF VOTING CONFLICT FOR COUNTY, MUNICIPAL, AND OTHER LOCAL PUBLIC OFFICERS

LAST NAME—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE NAME Hepburn - Howard	NAME OF BOARD, COUNCIL, COMMISSION, AUTHORITY, OR COMMITTEE Children's Services Council of Broward County
MAILING ADDRESS 6600 SE Third Ave.	THE BOARD, COUNCIL, COMMISSION, AUTHORITY OR COMMITTEE ON WHICH I SERVE IS A UNIT OF: <input type="checkbox"/> CITY <input type="checkbox"/> COUNTY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER LOCAL AGENCY
CITY    COUNTY Fort Lauderdale                                  Broward	NAME OF POLITICAL SUBDIVISION: _____
DATE ON WHICH VOTE OCCURRED June 20, 2024	MY POSITION IS: <input type="checkbox"/> ELECTIVE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> APPOINTIVE

## WHO MUST FILE FORM 8B

This form is for use by any person serving at the county, city, or other local level of government on an appointed or elected board, council, commission, authority, or committee. It applies to members of advisory and non-advisory bodies who are presented with a voting conflict of interest under Section 112.3143, Florida Statutes.

Your responsibilities under the law when faced with voting on a measure in which you have a conflict of interest will vary greatly depending on whether you hold an elective or appointive position. For this reason, please pay close attention to the instructions on this form before completing and filing the form.

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For purposes of this law, a "relative" includes only the officer's father, mother, son, daughter, husband, wife, brother, sister, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, and daughter-in-law. A "business associate" means any person or entity engaged in or carrying on a business enterprise with the officer as a partner, joint venturer, coowner of property, or corporate shareholder (where the shares of the corporation are not listed on any national or regional stock exchange).

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**APPOINTED OFFICERS (continued)**

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**DISCLOSURE OF LOCAL OFFICER'S INTEREST**

I, Howard Hepburn, hereby disclose that on June 20, 20 24 :

(a) A measure came or will come before my agency which (check one or more)

- inured to my special private gain or loss;
- inured to the special gain or loss of my business associate, \_\_\_\_\_ ;
- inured to the special gain or loss of my relative, \_\_\_\_\_ ;
- inured to the special gain or loss of Broward Education Foundation, by whom I am retained; or
- inured to the special gain or loss of \_\_\_\_\_, which is the parent subsidiary, or sibling organization or subsidiary of a principal which has retained me.


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6/20/24

Date Filed

  
Signature

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# FORM 8B MEMORANDUM OF VOTING CONFLICT FOR COUNTY, MUNICIPAL, AND OTHER LOCAL PUBLIC OFFICERS

LAST NAME—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE NAME Hixon - Debra	NAME OF BOARD, COUNCIL, COMMISSION, AUTHORITY, OR COMMITTEE Children's Services Council of Broward County
MAILING ADDRESS 6600 SE Third Ave.	THE BOARD, COUNCIL, COMMISSION, AUTHORITY OR COMMITTEE ON WHICH I SERVE IS A UNIT OF: <input type="checkbox"/> CITY <input type="checkbox"/> COUNTY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER LOCAL AGENCY
CITY Fort Lauderdale	COUNTY Broward
DATE ON WHICH VOTE OCCURRED June 20, 2024	NAME OF POLITICAL SUBDIVISION:  MY POSITION IS: <input type="checkbox"/> ELECTIVE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> APPOINTIVE

## WHO MUST FILE FORM 8B

This form is for use by any person serving at the county, city, or other local level of government on an appointed or elected board, council, commission, authority, or committee. It applies to members of advisory and non-advisory bodies who are presented with a voting conflict of interest under Section 112.3143, Florida Statutes.

Your responsibilities under the law when faced with voting on a measure in which you have a conflict of interest will vary greatly depending on whether you hold an elective or appointive position. For this reason, please pay close attention to the instructions on this form before completing and filing the form.

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 112.3143, FLORIDA STATUTES

A person holding elective or appointive county, municipal, or other local public office **MUST ABSTAIN** from voting on a measure which would inure to his or her special private gain or loss. Each elected or appointed local officer also **MUST ABSTAIN** from knowingly voting on a measure which would inure to the special gain or loss of a principal (other than a government agency) by whom he or she is retained (including the parent, subsidiary, or sibling organization of a principal by which he or she is retained); to the special private gain or loss of a relative; or to the special private gain or loss of a business associate. Commissioners of community redevelopment agencies (CRAs) under Sec. 163.356 or 163.357, F.S., and officers of independent special tax districts elected on a one-acre, one-vote basis are not prohibited from voting in that capacity.

For purposes of this law, a "relative" includes only the officer's father, mother, son, daughter, husband, wife, brother, sister, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, and daughter-in-law. A "business associate" means any person or entity engaged in or carrying on a business enterprise with the officer as a partner, joint venturer, coowner of property, or corporate shareholder (where the shares of the corporation are not listed on any national or regional stock exchange).

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### ELECTED OFFICERS:

In addition to abstaining from voting in the situations described above, you must disclose the conflict:

PRIOR TO THE VOTE BEING TAKEN by publicly stating to the assembly the nature of your interest in the measure on which you are abstaining from voting; *and*

WITHIN 15 DAYS AFTER THE VOTE OCCURS by completing and filing this form with the person responsible for recording the minutes of the meeting, who should incorporate the form in the minutes.

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### APPOINTED OFFICERS:

Although you must abstain from voting in the situations described above, you are not prohibited by Section 112.3143 from otherwise participating in these matters. However, you must disclose the nature of the conflict before making any attempt to influence the decision, whether orally or in writing and whether made by you or at your direction.

**IF YOU INTEND TO MAKE ANY ATTEMPT TO INFLUENCE THE DECISION PRIOR TO THE MEETING AT WHICH THE VOTE WILL BE TAKEN:**

- You must complete and file this form (before making any attempt to influence the decision) with the person responsible for recording the minutes of the meeting, who will incorporate the form in the minutes. (Continued on page 2)

**APPOINTED OFFICERS (continued)**

- A copy of the form must be provided immediately to the other members of the agency.
- The form must be read publicly at the next meeting after the form is filed.

IF YOU MAKE NO ATTEMPT TO INFLUENCE THE DECISION EXCEPT BY DISCUSSION AT THE MEETING:

- You must disclose orally the nature of your conflict in the measure before participating.
- You must complete the form and file it within 15 days after the vote occurs with the person responsible for recording the minutes of the meeting, who must incorporate the form in the minutes. A copy of the form must be provided immediately to the other members of the agency, and the form must be read publicly at the next meeting after the form is filed.

**DISCLOSURE OF LOCAL OFFICER'S INTEREST**

I, Debra Hixon, hereby disclose that on June 20, 20 24 :

(a) A measure came or will come before my agency which (check one or more)

- inured to my special private gain or loss;
- inured to the special gain or loss of my business associate, \_\_\_\_\_ ;
- inured to the special gain or loss of my relative, \_\_\_\_\_ ;
- inured to the special gain or loss of Broward Behavioral Health Coalition (BBHC), by whom I am retained; or
- inured to the special gain or loss of \_\_\_\_\_, which is the parent subsidiary, or sibling organization or subsidiary of a principal which has retained me.

(b) The measure before my agency and the nature of my conflicting interest in the measure is as follows:

I abstained from voting on Agenda Item V.d. (Tab 26), "Approve Trauma Responsive Community Training Funding for FY 24/25," as I serve on the Board of the Broward Behavioral Health Coalition (BBHC) and BBHC will be receiving these funds.

If disclosure of specific information would violate confidentiality or privilege pursuant to law or rules governing attorneys, a public officer, who is also an attorney, may comply with the disclosure requirements of this section by disclosing the nature of the interest in such a way as to provide the public with notice of the conflict.

6/20/24

Date Filed



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