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Youth Council Meeting
Monday, April 13, 2020 – 1:30 p.m.
MINUTES

I. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 1:32 p.m. by Gary Ritter, Council Chair. Mr. Ritter inquired if any Requests for Public Comment had been made and was advised that none had.

II. Introductions

Roll was called to identify and confirm committee members present in the room and those participating by phone. Staff and others present were identified (see end of meeting minutes for attendees). Quorum was not established. The meeting proceeded by consensus.

I. Topic:

Action Items:

A. Year-round Youth Service Provision for 2020-2021

Referring to the action item in the agenda packet, Donna Doubleday (CSH President/CEO) explained that South Florida State College (SFSC) was selected as the entity to provide year-round in-school and out-of-school youth services, beginning PY 2019-20 and for two possible additional years through PY 2021-22. As Ms. Doubleday explained, Youth Services is comprised of two separate contracts, the in-school contract in an amount not to exceed \$187,500 and the out-of-school contract in an amount not to exceed \$562,500.

As part of the process to determine if a committee recommendation is to be made to continue the negotiation of these contracts for the next program year, the Youth Council evaluated the Panther Youth performance data as presented by Panther Youth Coordinator, Kamille Manalo, and the Panther Youth performance review prepared by the CSH Chief Programs Officer, Ann Martin.

In her presentation of the Panther Youth Annual Program Update for FY 2019-20, Ms. Manalo reviewed the program enrollment data as of April 6, 2020 which showed that Panther Youth exceeded enrollment requirements in all areas except out-of-school youth which totaled 140 out of the required 150. By way of explanation, Ms. Manalo stated that Panther Youth had a pool of out-of-school applicants whose program admittance was postponed due to the Covid-19 outbreak.

Review of the active participant performance showed 100% of program participants achieving credential attainment. As of April 6, 2020, the Panther Youth Program is showing measurable skills gains of 65% and 44% for in and out-of-school youth respectively. Ms. Manalo explained that the realization of these measures has been impacted by Covid-19 but that Panther Youth is doing what they can to adapt to the needs and goals of their participants.

Summarizing the data of youth after leaving the program, Ms. Manalo explained that 100% of in-school-youth and 80% of out-of-school youth had employment or were enrolled in continuing education in the 2nd quarter after exit. In the 4th quarter after exit, 60% of in-school-youth and 76% of out-of-school-youth were employed or enrolled in continuing education. Based on preliminary information, as documented in the Panther Youth

Performance Review from Ms. Martin, Panther Youth Partners is serving youth who meet the demographic of most in need with multiple barriers.

Youth Council Chair, Gary Ritter, initiated approval of the action calling for a motion.

- A motion was made by Amanda Wilson to recommend to the Board that the CSH President/CEO negotiate two contracts with SFSC for year two of three, in amounts not to exceed \$187,500 for In-school Youth and \$562,500 for Out-of-school Youth for PY 2020-21, contingent upon available funding.
- Motion seconded by Joshua Exendine
- Motion carried unanimously by consensus

III. Other

There were no other matters brought before the Youth Council.

IV. Adjourn

Committee Chair, Gary Ritter, adjourned the meeting at 2:03 p.m.

Committee members present and participating: Gary Ritter (Chair), Joshua Exendine, Amanda Wilson

Committee members absent: Marivel Garza, David Royal, Lisa Thomas, Laurel White

Public attendance: Kamille Manalo

CSH staff present: Donna Doubleday, Ann Martin, Brian Mercurio