



Office of Mayor Lenny Curry

Prevention, Intervention & At-Risk Youth Sub-Committee Meeting

June 30, 2015

Jacksonville University

Davis College of Business

Public Policy Institute

2800 University Blvd, Room 288

IN ATTENDANCE:

Paul Perez, Prevention, Chair

The Honorable Dr. Johnny Gaffney, Co-Chair

Rev. John Guns, Member

Debbie Verges, Member

Toni Crawford, Member

Leila Mousa, Member

Scott Wiley, Member

The Honorable Carolyn Woods, Member

Mal Washington, Member

Charles Griggs, Member

Lawsikia Hodges, OGC Representative

Rena Coughlin, Co-Chair Transition Team

GUESTS:

Marlene Russell, Support Staff

Wendy Jones Recorder

Chair Paul Perez called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

The Chair presented the draft of the recommendations to the Committee for their review. The Committee was then given 5 minutes to review what was presented.

The Chair then opened the floor for discussion with the statement that it is ensured that there be a fixed City Council liaison on the Jacksonville Journey. It was then noted that it is stated in the Journey legislation that the City Council have a member to serve as liaison. The Committee would like to

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recommend that the Journey suggest to the Mayor that He speak with the City Council President as to who would represent the City Council on the Journey.

Leila Mousa suggested that the recommendations be consolidated and condensed down to a laser point focus. Mal Washington suggested that the specific term of After School Programs be used in the recommendation. It was pointed out that the terminology now being used is Out of School times because of the various days, time and hours that children are not in school. Co- Chair Gaffney stated that the entire City needs to be engaged and there is a need to reach out to the entire Community.

Pastor Guns stated that this committee has made headway on the task at hand and asked how we focus when there are so many facets. He feels that this process has tackled this in a tremendous way and contact needs to be made to underground agencies.

Debbie Verges made the suggestion that the recommendations be consolidated in the following way:

- 1, 2, 6, & 9 – combined
- 4, 10, & 11 – combined
- 8, 12 & 13 – combined
- 5 & 7 – combined
- 3 – Stand alone

Discussion continued on this choice of combinations. It is suggested that to the 8, 12 & 13 add the point regarding working with kids in Out of School time programming. To 5 & 7 add to establish communication between all agencies involved and to have language regarding a defined number of subject matter experts to the legislation. To 3 add a statement about who the City Council liaison would be.

Charles Griggs stated that one part of the original aspect of the Journey that was never realized was the engagement of the public sector and fundraising. Lawsikia Hodges explained that the Journey can suggest that there be ex-officio members to be able to provide subject matter experts. Pastor Guns asked Charles Griggs if he had any suggestions about the Journey oversight committee that needed adjustments. Mr. Griggs stated that there was no annual process to look at the Journey to see if it was successful year after year. It was suggested that in the 1, 2, 6 & 9 grouping that evaluation be added.

Dr. Gaffney suggested that there be some type of training program for small organizations who have programs so that they can become knowledgeable regarding how to apply for grants and assistance.

It was then discussed that the Committee feels that the content of the five (5) recommendations are good and that it just needs to be word-smithed. Once the Committee makes the recommendations, they will go to Susie Wiles who will put them all in a report to the Mayor. Marlene Russell will edit the draft; send it to the Chair who will give the final approval.

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Charles Griggs was asked how the Journey was currently meeting; he responded that they meet quarterly on the first Thursday of the quarter. He pointed out that with the new objectives on the table from the Mayor the Committee will meet again to discuss moving forward. There is currently a full committee.

The major emphasis word for each recommendation is:

Restoration – 1, 2, 6 & 9

Coordination - 5 & 7

Assessment – 8, 12 & 13

Capacity Building – 4, 10 & 11

Resources – 3

The Chair asked for guidance regarding when the Sunshine Laws would no longer be in effect for the Committee. Ms. Hodges stated that as soon as the Committee concluded their function it would end.

It is noted that there will be no additional meetings of the Committee.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:08 a.m.



Office of Mayor-Elect Lenny Curry

AGENDA

Date: June 30, 2015

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Committee: Prevention, Intervention & At-Risk Youth Subcommittee

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| I. | Review and Discussion of recommendations | Committee |
| II. | Final Recommendations/Report – Discuss | Committee |
| III. | Discuss future meetings | Committee |
| IV. | Public Comments | |

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Name		Signature
Mr. Paul Perez	Chair	
The Honorable Johnny Gaffney	Co-Chair	Present
Rev. John Guns	Member	
Pastor Tom Messer	Member	
Mr. Bill Spann	Member	
Ms. Debbie Verges	Member	
Ms. Toni Crawford	Member	
Ms. Leila Mousa	Member	
Dr. Nikolai Vitti	Member	
Mr. Scott Wiley	Member	
The Honorable Carolyn Woods	Member	
Mr. Mal Washington	Member	
Dr. Pedro Cohen	Member	
Mr. WC Gentry	Member	
Ms. Misty Skipper	Member	Excused
Ms. Tameka Holly	Member	
Mr. Trey Csar	Member	
Mr. Charles Griggs	Member	
Lt. Lakesha Burton	Member	
Ms. Lawsikia Hodges	OGC Representative	
Ms. Rena Coughlin	Transition Team	Excused
Guests / Visitors:		

Name	Organization	Address
Eric Whitbeck	Jacksonville Public Library	2000 University Blvd Jacksonville FL 32208
Amanda Helms	ICC	1000 University Blvd Jacksonville FL 32208
Alexis Leach	C.F.S	1000 University Blvd Jacksonville FL 32208
Kecia Bixton	United Way	1000 University Blvd Jacksonville FL 32208
Jason Roth	Community	1000 University Blvd Jacksonville FL 32208
Sithis Jackson	Ambrose Butler Barber	1000 University Blvd Jacksonville FL 32208
TEERA SIVAN	A.S.T	1000 University Blvd Jacksonville FL 32208
Michael Bush	for Tiley Ciser	1000 University Blvd Jacksonville FL 32208
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