

South County Community Council

Gulfport Neighborhood Center 1617 49th St. S., Gulfport, FL 33707

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Thursday, March 5, 2020 3:30 – 5:00 PM AGENDA

Meetings are generally held the 1st Thursday of each month

OFFICERS Deputy William Lawson, Chair Tarra Ofosu, Vice Chair Chris Mathews, Secretary Samantha Staley Community Recognition Representative

MEMBERS

Deputy Eric Ford Julia Neely LaShante Keys Nikishea Wright-Richardson Patsy Buker Robert Ellis Ta'Quera Riou

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I.	CALL TO ORDER— Deputy Lawson A. Moment of Silence B. Introductions	3:30 PM
II.	CONSENT ITEMS A. Approve Minutes	3:35 PM
III.	COUNCIL BUSINESS-Deputy Lawson	3:40 PM
IV.	PROGRAM OVERVIEW— ReadStrong Pinellas Constance Shaw, Community Outreach Specialist, R'Club	3:45 PM
V.	PRESENTATION- 2019 Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA) Report Julia Neely MPH, CHES ®, Community Outreach Coordinator, BayCare	3:55 PM
VI.	JWB UPDATES-All Kids Count Tarra Ofosu	4:10 PM
VII.	COMMUNITY RECOGNITION A. Representative's Report—Samantha Staley B. Acknowledgements—Chris Mathews	4:45 PM
VIII.	OPEN AGENDA/ANNOUCEMENTS	4:50 PM
IX.	ADJOURNMENT	5:00 PM

Future Meetings/Notices

JWB Board Meeting, Thursday, March 12, 2020 9:00 AM
JWB Board Workshop, Tuesday, March 31, 2020 9:00 AM-12:00 PM
South County Community Council Meeting, April 2, 2020 3:30-5:00 PM

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful citizens can change the world.

Indeed, it's the only thing that ever does."

Margaret Mead, Anthropologist



SOUTH COUNTY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2020 AT 3:30 PM

GULFPORT NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER 1617 49TH STREET SOUTH GULFPORT, FL 33707

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

MEMBERS PRESENT: Deputy Lawson, Tarra Ofosu, Chris Mathews, Eric Ford, Samantha Staley, and Julia Neely; Guest: Dr. Frank Scruggs, Ida Newsome, Jennie Jordan, Julia Sharp, Makeba Huntington-Symons, Stephanie Sambatakos, Sam Jenkins, Larry Butler, Carole Alexander, Monica Brimm, Phyllis Winchester, Sierra; Staff: Judith Warren, and Millicent Battle.

Meeting was called to order by Tarra Ofosu, Vice Chair followed by a Moment of Silence.

- I. **ACTION-**Quorum was not established, approval of the minutes deferred.
- II. **PRESENTATION-**Phyllis Winchester (PWinchester@nhsfl.org) with Neighborhood Home Solutions (NHS) reviewed current down payment assistance of 40k in certain areas and criteria for homeownership-2 years in Pinellas County area and minimum of 640 credit score. NHS offers classes in homebuyer's orientation, education, and financial fitness. In addition, a housing counselor is assigned to assist in the process and provide post purchasing counseling to help maintain ownership. The homebuyer's flow chart was reviewed and enrollment is now being accepted for homebuyer's education classes.
- III. **JWB UPDATES-**Judith announced of the reassignment of Millicent Battle to Council Liaison and change of job title to Community Planner. Two executive team members were encouraged to attend JWB Board Strategic Plan Workshop March 31st 9-12 at SPC EpiCenter. The Middle School Academy RFP is still in process and a recap of CLWA Community Meeting and Children's Summit was given. Upcoming events include FOCUS Community Conversation on Homelessness 2/20/2020, Baby Talk Events 2/21-2/22/2020 and Clearwater NFC Youth Rise above Conference 7/22-24, 2020.
- IV. **COUNCIL BUSINESS-**Acknowledgement was given to Deputy Lawson for his presence. He was welcomed home and thanked by the Council for his service. A packet which included the SCCC one pager, Bylaws, Work plan, and influence map was shared. The Council will work over the next couple of months to update the documents based on the Board's Workshop. The Child Opportunity Index (COI) which can also be used to guide Council's focus will be reviewed in-depth by Michael Havelka, JWB Data Business Analyst, at the next meeting.

V. **COMMUNITY RECOGNITION**-Samantha stated guest speakers are needed for Dr. Sheron Brown's radio show Everything Health on 99.1 WUJM The Burg and nomination are still needed for Cooperman Bogue.

VI. OPEN AGENDA

Julia Sharp with the League of Women Voters reminded that Florida is a closed primary election state. Only voters who are registered members of political parties may vote for respective party candidates or nominees for an office in a primary election including a presidential preference primary election. Deadline to register is February 18, 2020 for March 17, 2020 presidential preference primary election.

Carole Alexander the Next Stepp Pregnancy Center and Midtown Rotary Club announced the African American Heritage Trail Trolley Tour will be held Wednesday February 12, 2020 12:00-2:00 PM.

VII. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 4:36 PM.

Minutes submitted by Millicent Battle