

Call to Order

The Leadership Council meeting of Safe & Sound Hillsborough was held on Tuesday, February 24, 2020 at the Children's Board of Hillsborough County and began at 1:07 PM; **Chair Julie Holt** presided over the meeting, which was properly noticed, and a quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes

*A motion to approve the minutes of the January 28th meeting was made by **Chief Ken Albano** and seconded by **Ms. Cindy Stuart**, passed unanimously.*

Staff Introduction

Leadership formally met **Mr. David Muldrow**, new Outreach Coordinator – Community & Neighborhood Liaison for Safe & Sound Hillsborough.

New Business

Finance Committee Report was presented by Chair Cindy Stuart

- **Ms. Cindy Stuart** reported low expenses on January and provided an update on BOCC pending Interlocal invoice being processed by the County.

Motion: *A motion to accept January financial reports made by **Ms. Cindy Stuart** and seconded by **Chief Ken Albano**, passed as favorable.*

Policy & Governance Report was presented by Chair Gina Justice

- **Ms. Gina Justice** informed members on the status of the proposal policy related to volunteerism and appeal; said not viable to volunteers; materials such as criteria needs to be created; content of applications needs revision; said there are significant concerns about the proposal; liability is a big issue.
- **Chair Holt** ask whether **Attorney Jeff Gibson** had been contacted, **Ms. Cindy Stuart** to follow-up on contacting **Mr. Gibson**
- **Ms. Cindy Stuart** said she was not in favor of a volunteer review committee; said it is a liability to the Leadership Council agencies; percentage of applicants denied is a small number; is struggling with the need for the committee; says SERVE already has steps in place for the approval process.

Executive Director's Operations Report was presented by Mr. Freddy Barton & Sammecia Bagley

- **Mr. Freddy Barton** updated members about current and future activities at Kings Forest and Sandy Perrone; said Summer planning is underway for (My Brother's Keeper) MBK Summer Institute
- Reported 2019 Institute hosted students from Blake High School along with instructors also from Blake; end results saw a 32% increase in credit completion
- 2020 Institute to host students from four high schools; Leto, Jefferson, East Bay and Blake High Schools; projected targeted for 2020 at 50%
- Six mentoring organizations to participate in the Summer Institute
- Announcement on Detention Advisory Board's day of service at Hillsborough West Juvenile Detention Center; in need of volunteers
- **Ms. Sammecia Bagley** updated members on the ongoing planning for SafeSummit'20; outreach efforts are underway for recruitment with a target audience of 250 youth and adults on June 13, 2020 from 9:00am-2:00pm at Howard W. Blake High School

- Priority is being made on the Logistics with respect to technology.
- **Ms. Cindy Stuart** asked if there is a plan for District staff to be in attendance to facilitate technological needs day of conference; said to contact **Ms. Patti Simmons** to work out issues with firewall; and let her know if there are issues with recommending someone from the district IT
- **Chair Holt** said the Executive Committee would like to see more focus on mental health with special emphasis on Juvenile Mental Health; Public Defender's Office to participate; would like to see how mental health intersects with other Leadership Council agencies; to be an ongoing Executive Committee Discussion; goal is to engage our youth
- **Ms. Cindy Stuart** said there are planned events from the district for four Mental Health Youth Summit in 2020
- Peer Mentors/ Resources/Mental Health Focus; would resonate with community and families; people want to know what exactly Baker Acts are and what options do they have?
- Fully in support of Town Hall focused on Mental Health; achieve as much knowledge as possible; need to analyze who is registering; determine what we need; solidify what we're doing and use the information to recruit the public and get them registered
- Smaller workshops – How to tell a child its ok to reach out; how to conduct yourself; presentations should not be divisive but educational and informative
- **Chief Albano** said the public is not interested in statistics but want to know how to get the resources; recruiting efforts should including putting flyers at the Big Brother Big Sisters locations, Boys & Girls Clubs; Children's Board Resource Center (7 locations); and other organizations geared towards Youth.

Executive Committee Report was presented by Chair Julie Holt

- Executive Director Evaluation completed; Director has not received a raise in 3 years; COL of 4%, same as County; Director to receive compensation as a two-tiered raise in salary; 10% effective March 1st; evaluation in July for remaining 2% in salary; said Executive Director has demonstrated tremendous leadership
- Benchmarks expected in order to achieve the work Safe & Sound Hillsborough requires to move forward
- Evaluation will be mailed to Leadership Council foundational members

Moti Motion: *A motion to accept evaluation and salary increase made by Ms. Cindy Stuart and seconded by Mr. Andrew Warren, passed as favorable.*

Family Health & Wellbeing Committee Update provided by Chair Marie Marino

- **Ms. Marie Marino** said no recommendations have been made yet on stigma requests

Chair Julie Holt said Baker Act pamphlet is ready to go out; was delayed by school district pending review and minor edits being made; **Chair Julie Holt** informed the Council that she is the representation on the Juvenile Justice Board Youth Council; should be

- JDAI
- DMC Regulations
- Focused on State of Florida
- Impressed with Hillsborough County Collaborative
- Find a way to fold in as a statewide blueprint
- Reduce the number of people
- Increased detention #s currently 50-60 in detention historically it's been over 100 youth

- Lynn Gray invited members to tour the facility again under Grice leadership
- Surprised to find youth watching the movie John Wick; says soft handoff is not happening
- Majority of youth prefer alternative schools over their home schools
- Top 3 obstacles: Transportation
- Found 2-3 officers in a 14x14 room, 1 teacher, 10-15 teens.
- Suggested Superintendent to be more informed with Criminal Justice
- Would like for Julie Holt and Andrew Warren to be more involved with schools; says bill moving through the Legislature; Juvenile Director filed – kids should be in detention centers
- Loss to Hillsborough County and youth if it passes; adding fifty more youth in detention is crippling; obstacles exist
- Proposed training in cognitive behavior for staff and youth; detention is not inviting; St. Lawrence is appalled at the conditions; efforts are underway to improve the facility esthetically; improvements made to the building's façade
- Recommended the School Superintendent engage with the Public Safety Coordinating Council (PSCC) should be a part of that council.
- Should engage with Safe & Sound Hillsborough
- Sheriff Chronister is asking about touring the jail and make recommendations if necessary
- Ms. Stuart said Criminal Justice is not a high priority for the Superintendent; Curriculum Instructions and Student Achievement are his main focus; Marie Marino recommended he visit the Mental Health Court
- Start date is March 2nd and his cabinet will have two weeks to get prepared
- SSH to plan round tables with specific items to be addressed with the superintendent
- Bi-weekly conversations; Mental Health and Offsite students are not at the top of his list
- Invitation to members to attend Mental Health Summit on March 28-29; from 9am-2pm; must register
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Adjournment

Meeting ended at **1:57 PM**

ATTENDANCE LIST: February 25, 2020

LEADERSHIP COUNCIL MEMBERS	ATTENDANCE
Julianne Holt, Chair ; Public Defender's Office	X
Chief Kenneth Albano, Vice-Chair ; City of Temple Terrace, Temple Terrace Police Dept.	X
Freddy Barton, Executive Director ; Safe & Sound Hillsborough	X
Major Calvin Johnson; City of Tampa, Tampa Police Department	-
Lesley "Les" Miller, Commissioner; Hillsborough County Board of County Commissioners	-
Marie Marino; Public Defender's Office	X
Kelley Parris, Executive Director; Children's Board of Hillsborough County	-
Major Thomas St. John; Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office	X
Cindy Stuart, Hillsborough County School Board	X
Gina Justice, 13 th Judicial Circuit	X
Andrew Warren, State Attorney	X
Sergeant Alfred Van Duyne, City of Plant City; Plant City Police Department	X
Dr. Kathleen Heide, University of South Florida	-
ALTERNATES	ATTENDANCE
Tonia Williams, Children's Board of Hillsborough County	-
Larry Williams, Legislative Assistant to Commissioner Les Miller	-
Daniel Raysin, Public Defender's Office	-
Patti Simmons, Hillsborough County School District	-
Lieutenant Les Richardson; City of Tampa, Tampa Police Department	-
SAFE & SOUND/CDC STAFF	ATTENDANCE
Rosalie Smith, Program Administrator	X
Sammecia Bagley, Manager of Communications & Outreach	X
David Muldrow, Outreach Coordinator Community & Neighborhood Liaison	X
Sharon Perdue, CFO; CDC of Tampa, Inc.	X