

Call to Order

The Leadership Council meeting of Safe & Sound Hillsborough was held on Tuesday, February 27, 2018 at ServisFirst Bank. It began at 1:08PM; Vice-Chair Albano presided over the meeting with Chair Holt attending via conference call. Meeting was properly noticed, and a quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes

*A motion to approve the minutes of the January 23rd meeting was made by **Ms. Gina Justice** and seconded by **Ms. Cindy Stuart**, passed unanimously.*

Mr. Freddy Barton asked for members to go around the table for an introduction and introduced Lafe Thomas as the new Outreach Coordinator for SSH replacing **Mr. Dexter Lewis**. Briefed members on SSH's commitment to establishing partnerships within the communities we serve. **Ms. Lafe Thomas** said her work includes working in several zip codes; Rodgers Middle School in South County and Van Buren Middle School (SSH Safe School).

Old Business

- Updated members of the status of the annual report; Annual Report presentation which will include a request to extend Interlocal agreement; on the BOCC March 7th agenda for a time-certain at 10:30AM. Leadership Council members are encouraged to attend the meeting; Mr. Barton to provide talking points to members to use in their own communications; other presentation items to include the PSA and SafeSummit'18; Dropbox link will be shared with members for SafeSummit'18 file folder for updates.

Action:

1. **S&SH** to provide talking points to members on annual report presentation and interlocal extension.
 2. **S&SH** to provide link access to SafeSummit'18 file folder to provide members on-going updates on the Violence Prevention Conference Planning.
- Updated members on the status of the MHFA Train the Trainer certification program; Asking members to identify and provide contact information on the Key person they have selected for the training; person would then be able to provide training to their respective agencies; (required minimum). Can launch first training as early as March 26th; question about offering a training in Spanish; **Ms. Marie Marino** informed members that materials and course are available in Spanish; training occurs for three consecutive days; is a condensed version of a training typically over the course of five days.

Action: Send board MHFA fact sheet; provide members with date and location of first training.

New Business

Finance Committee Report was presented by Ms. Cindy Stuart

- Discussion of SSH expenditures; **Chair Stuart** said nothing out of the ordinary to report; said payroll was higher due to the departure of Mr. Dexter Lewis; payouts were made for vacation time accrued; said there were no flags on report and found that **Ms. Sharon Perdue** (Finance Committee) has worked extensively with the committee to make the necessary adjustments to the reports.
- Committee focus was moving toward sustainability; research needed on grants available to fund SSH programming; need bigger funding options for the next contract term.

Motion: *To accept financial report made by **Dr. Kathleen Heide**; seconded by **Ms. Patrice Gingras**. Passed as favorable.*

Executive Director's Report was presented by Freddy Barton

Mr. Barton updated members on Safe & Sound's activities through the community outreach coordinator reports for the months of February; which included the G3's mentoring program at King's Forest Recreation Center; speaking engagements for **Mr. Freddy Barton** to participate as a panelist on *Talk Backs through StageWorks*; Discussed the need to use the recent event to bring about awareness about S&SH's programming, wrap around support and services available to the community; Discussed upcoming forum in Plant City with the Improvement League of Plant City to hosting a Conversation on Guns in Schools; the reconvening of the Youth & Gun Violence chaired by **Dr. Heide**; discussed need to develop formal statements at the Executive Committee level, statement that can be used by Leadership Council members; **Ms. Gringras** expressed a need to reach out to youth before the reach Middle School age; **Mr. Barton** shared his experience a Greco Middle School where he asked 44 students if they felt safe in their school, 6 students raised their hands; said it was a stark contrast to previous talks to students where more would have answered yes; talked about the success of the G3 camp for kids, 109 youth being served at King's Forest; 500 youth and 117 adult residents have been served since opening the recreation center; Mr. Barton thanked Ms. Stuart for the work done at the School District to push the Sandy Hook Promise through schools, said it was a very important program; Spoke at the Rotary Club of Temple Terrace, said they are interested in having him coming back to also partner with Safe & Sound Hillsborough.; Discussed invitation to teachers from Young Middle School to participate on the VPC Planning Committee; tasked State Attorney Warren to come out at the request of students to Young Middle School for a pizza party meet & greet; discussed the possibility of having a Safe & Sound Day; looking for a date in March; members were invited to attend the Education Summit hosted by Allen Temple AME Church on Saturday, March 3rd from 10:00am to 1:00pm.; members were invited to participate in the Guns in Schools Conversation in Plant City on March 22nd, details will be provided to members via email.

Action: Organize a Safe & Sound Day for Leadership Council to visit a Safe School for a meet & greet in March.

Motion: To accept Operations report made by **Ms. Cindy Stuart**; seconded by **Ms. Marie Marino**. Passed as favorable.

Violence Prevention Conference Planning Committee Report was presented by Freddy Barton

- Committee is meeting weekly to discuss needs for SafeSummit'18 such as transportation, security, fundraising, registration, social media strategies; press release and website updates
- Working with the FBI Alumni association to host the Community Builder Awards
- Conference attendance goal is 300-400 youth
- G3 is partnering with SSH to host the Awards program;
- SGA Presidents will be contacted to work with the Committee to build awareness and encourage youth attendance
- Tyler Mills, social media influencer – working with SSH and Tampa Police Department to assist with attracting youth to conference.
- SafeSummit'18 will have a county-wide reach as opposed to last year's conference where only youth in targeted zip codes were invited.
- Volunteers will be needed to make the event successful.
- Workshops to include State of Health of Hillsborough County – Adult; Conversation on Parkland incident to discuss common-senses around guns – What is the message we want to send out?
- Discussion on topics, Ms. Gringras suggested small table top conversation (10 in a room); Mr. Warren suggested a larger forum outside of the Summit, a series of SSH sponsored town halls meetings closer the 1st year anniversary of Parkland; discussions to include legislative perspective, discussion of civil citations, etc.; Sergeant Van Duyne suggested having the town hall for Plant City in close proximity to High Schools, Plant Durant, Strawberry Crest in Middle Schools; ensure location is central.

- Ms. Stuart said we had to be delicate in our messaging, there is a fine line between talking to students and dealing with threats; suggested a campaign to promote, “see something, say something” which works to encourage youth to say something if they hear about a threat or receive a message about a threat.

Policy & Governance Committee

Mr. Barton informed members that the Safe Routes to Parks Grant has been submitted; if awarded, it will provide funding to begin the process of developing an action plan and timeline for the implementation of the Safe Routes to Parks Framework approved by the Leadership Council.

Main Motions

1. **Motion:** Moved by **Ms. Gina Justice** and seconded by **Ms. Cindy Stuart** to approve minutes from January 23rd meeting. The motion carried with a unanimous vote in favor.
2. **Motion:** Moved by **Dr. Kathleen Heide** and seconded by **Ms. Patrice Gingras** to approve the Finance Committee report and Budget The motion carried with a unanimous vote in favor.
3. **Motion:** Moved by **Ms. Cindy Stuart** and seconded by **Ms. Marie Marino** to approve the Operations Report. The motion carried with a unanimous vote in favor.

Announcements

The next meeting of Safe & Sound Hillsborough’s Leadership Council is scheduled for Tuesday, March 27th from 1:00PM -3:00PM at the Children’s Board of Hillsborough County.

Adjournment

Meeting ended at **2:34 PM**

ATTENDANCE LIST: February 27, 2018

LEADERSHIP COUNCIL MEMBERS	ATTENDANCE
Julianne Holt, Chair ; Public Defender's Office	Via conference call
Chief Kenneth Albano, Vice-Chair ; City of Temple Terrace, Temple Terrace Police Dept.	X
Freddy Barton, Executive Director ; Safe & Sound Hillsborough	X
Major Ronald McMullen; City of Tampa, Tampa Police Department	X
Lesley "Les" Miller, Board of County Commissioners	
Marie Marino; Public Defender's Office	X
Kelley Parris, Executive Director; Children's Board of Hillsborough County	
Lieutenant Tommy St. John; Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office	
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	X
John Chaffin, Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office; Data Committee	
Patrice Gringas, Community Advisory Council member, University Area	X
ALTERNATES	ATTENDANCE
Tonia Williams, Children's Board of Hillsborough County	X
Rena Frazier, State Attorney's Office	X
Angie Smith, 13 th Judicial Circuit	
DeShone Glenn, Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office	
SAFE & SOUND/CDC STAFF	ATTENDANCE
Rosalie Smith, Program Administrator	X
Sharon Perdue	
Lafe Thomas, Outreach Coordinator	X

Others in attendance: