Board of Directors & Policy Council Meeting April 1, 2015

Special Called Meeting of the Board of Directors and Policy Council of Kids Central Incorporated met on Wednesday, April 1, 2015, at Kids Central Administration Office. Will Sturgill, Chair of Board of Directors and Lisa Meade, Policy Council Chairwoman, welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. Board Chairman and policy chairwoman determined a quorum was established. (25%)

Present: Lisa Meade, Melena Edwards, Summer Meade, Mona Mullins, Crystal Barton, Ida Mullins, Mary Collins, Sheila Carty, LuAnn Summers, Crystal Counts

KCI Staff present:

Darrell Edwards, Joseph Boyd, Terry Gentry, Tammy Mullins, Junior Rose, Regina Cantrell, Allen Couch, Vernon Rose, Paula Bates, Lindsey Sturgill, Crystal Counts, Lisa Bentley, Teresa Blair

Board of Director Members present: Michael Standifer, Karen Davis, Harry Childress, Marty Hagy, Will Sturgill, Donald Kendra, Thomas Williams, Edward R. Hutchinson, Sr.

Meeting Called to order by chairpersons. Roll Call/Quorum recognized.

Executive Director Darrel Edwards, explained the purpose of the special called meeting and distributed documents to PC and Board of Directors for review. Also announced these documents are available to everyone by email and posted on Kids Central Inc website.

OLD BUSINESS

Darrell Edwards, Executive Director, brought the Policy Council up to date on the official hiring of Comptroller, Joe Boyd as of last week. He is working diligently to learn the bookkeeping style of Kids Central and has had the opportunity to be engaged in training with the CPA business firm, Thrower, Thrower, & Blanton. This CPA firm is already involved with the bookkeeping of Kids Central and will be able to assist the new hire with paperwork of Kids Central.

NEW BUSINESS

<u>Funding Application for 2015 - 2016:</u> Darrell Edwards, Executive Director, has already presented the pieces of the budget plan in previous meetings and had been approved. However, the documents required some rewording as a combined package. The update to Funding Application was done and required a vote to move forward with the total package from funding approval to Funding Application .

Motion made to approve the name change to Funding Application for 2015-2016 was made by Mona Mullins.

Motion seconded by Melina Edwards.

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

<u>Presentation of Impasse Policy:</u> Copies of the document were distributed for review as required updates are needed. The document is ten years old and needed dates to be current. The content has not been changed. A vote is required to change the document wording.

Motion made to approve the date changes listed on Impasse Policy document by Mona Mullins.

Motion seconded by Melina Edwards.

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

<u>Presentation of the Bridge Agreement:</u> Darrell Edwards presented to the meeting a copy of the Bridge Agreement with explanation of its ten year history and required updates. He described the cover page change and noted that the content of this document has not changed. It does require approval to make any type updates.

Motion made to approve the date changes with picture on cover of Bridge Agreement listed on document by Mona Mullins.

Motion seconded by Mary Collins.

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

<u>Federal Review Update:</u> Kids Central staff & Mr. Edwards explained the time line for the federal review, the make up of the team from Philadelphia, the process involved with the new procedures in place. It will begin Monday, April 6 at the central office building. The review will be focused on enrollment and fiscal year policy. Any person involved in the program can be subject to interviews. The next review will be involving the 5 year funding.

Risk Management Meeting with Philadelphia: Darrell Edwards announced that tomorrow a meeting will be held between our Policy Chairperson, Lisa Meade; Board of Directors Chairperson, Will Sturgill and the Risk Management team from Philadelphia. This will be by telephone exchange. Our next policy meeting will learn more after this meeting. Approval was needed to proceed with conference call.

Motion made to approve by Crystal Barton.

Motion seconded by Mary Collins.

Motion carried by unanimous vote

For The Good of Kids Central, Inc. Open Comments

Lisa Meade, Chairwoman, asked if there were any open comments or concerns to be discussed today. Clintwood parent asked for update on building safety concerns at the new location. Mr. Edwards assured her that the doors have been ordered and will be installed soon. The noise issue between the two classrooms in Clintwood sites was addressed and suggestions were shared as to the solutions.

Due to budget constraints and enrollment concerns of four year olds, Mr. Edwards described the increase enrollment of 4 year old children in public school preschool programs may cause the focus of the Kids Central to move more to Early Childhood interventions. This discussion will be continued in future meetings upon decisions made by Virginia public schools preK program entrance requirements. The next school year will be our opportunity to advertise the excellent Kids Central programs and increase the public visibility of our positive roles in the community. Early Childhood programs will be the focus for the next five years and we need to be "ahead" of the community in showing how we do an excellent role in providing for our small children. Ages 0 - 3 is going to be the main emphasis for the majority of programs in future education.

Mr. Edwards extended a warm appreciation to all in attendance for making KCI the best program and thanks to his staff for all the hard work exhibited by them.

Upcoming Meetings

<u>Parents Policy Council.....</u> The next meeting of the Policy Council will be held on April 8, 2015 at the Administrative Building located in Norton, VA beginning at 11:00 a.m.

<u>Board of Directors</u> meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 21, 2015 at the Administrative Building of Kids Central, Inc beginning at 11:00 a.m.

With no further business, Lisa Meade, Policy Council Chairwoman, adjourned the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

Motion made to adjourn by Mary Collins.

Motion seconded by Mona Mullins..

Motion carried by unanimous vote

Ida Mullins, Recording Secretary
Will Stungill

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