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## **Countywide Community Revitalization Team Meeting Minutes**

Meeting Title: Countywide Community Revitalization Team Meeting

Facilitator: Houston Tate. OCR Director

Minutes Prepared by: William Wynn, OCR Senior Planner

Date/Time: August 20, 2019

2300 N Jog Rd., Room 1E-60, West Palm Beach, FL 33411 Location:

### **Meeting Attendance:**

21.

1. Joanna Aiken **SWA** 

2. Elizabeth Burrows Achieve Palm Beach County

3. **Deputy Cassie PBSO** 

Keith Clinkscale 4. **PBC OFMB** 

5. Dr. Mary DuPont Achieve Volunteer

6. Deputy Ellis **PBSO** 7. Deputy Forde **PBSO** 

8. Reginald Hayes **PBC Youth Services** 

9. Sgt. Hightower **PBSO** 

10. Bonnie Hodges-Leech San Castle Resident 11. Charbel Khadji **PBC Fire Rescue** 12. Lana Martinez San Castle Resident

13. PBC OCR Chrystal Mathews

14. Sandra Meredith Cabana Colony Residents League

PBC OFMB 15. Marcela Millett

Fadi Nassar **PBC Traffic Engineering** 16. 17. Michael Owens School District of PBC 18. Francky Pierre-Paul Kingdom Minded 19. Ike Powell **PBC Youth Services** 20. Casey Pranckun **PBC Parks & Recreation** 

PBC Community Services 22. **Audley Reid** PBC OCR 23. Deputy Roode **PBSO** 24. George Schott PBC OCR

**David Rafaidus** 

25. Marcia Sena San Castle Resident 26. Carmen SiFonte San Castle Resident

27. Michel Sklar **PBC HES** 28. **Deputy Taylor PBSO** 29. Deputy Vessage **PBSO** 

30. Ken Wilson Florida Dept. of Health

31. William Wynn PBC OCR

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## **Meeting Minutes**

I. Welcome and Introductions: Chrystal Mathews, OCR Senior Planner, called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. and asked the Countywide Community Revitalization Team (CCRT) members and attendees to introduce themselves.

### II. Department Updates:

## Joanna Aiken, SWA

- Ms. Aiken reported that the SWA has introduced the free new and recovered recycle donation program.
- The SWA will have service changes in October. New garbage bins will be distributed in the coming weeks but they can't be used until October 1st.
- Sea Turtle Adventures is cleaning up litter in selected neighborhoods.

### **David Rafaidus, PBC Community Services**

- Mr. Rafaidus provided a brief overview of various programs offered by Community Services.
- The Securing Our Future Palm Beach County Socio-Demographic Barriers to Economic Mobility publication was made available on August 19<sup>th</sup>.

## Ike Powell, PBC Youth Services (YS)

- Mr. Powell reported that YS provided summer camp scholarships for nearly 4000 youths to attend summer camp in 2019.
- Provided food at approximately 90 summer feeding sites.
- 7<sup>th</sup> Super Summer Spelling Bee for approximately 600 youth from grades K-12
- YS will be providing funding to approximately 40 agencies throughout PBC for afterschool programs for middle and high school students.
- YS will be going to the BCC on September 10<sup>th</sup> for the approval of 6 additional programs that will be focusing on safety and justice.

### Reginald Hayes, PBC Youth Services (YS)

• Mr. Hayes reported on Future Leaders United for Change. Future Leaders is a recommendation from of the Birth to 22: United for Brighter Futures (Birth to 22). Future Leaders is responsible to provide input on the design, implementation and communication of an ongoing strategic plan for future community conversations, focus group discussions, interviews, surveys, and youth summits. Future Leaders United for Change will bring youth perspectives to Birth to 22 United for Brighter Future on the following Action Areas: economic access, parenting and role models, social and emotional supports, educational aupports, health and wellness supports, and removal of community stressors and systemic barriers.

### Michael Sklar, PBC Housing and Economic Sustainability (HES)

 Mr. Sklar reported that in the near future HES will be starting the input for their consolidated plan. HES will be contacting neighborhoods and other county departments to find out what are the needs in PBC.

### Casey Pranckun, PBC Parks & Recreation (P&R)

- Ms. Pranckun reported that the Bridgeman Drive park and the Cabana Colony pavilion are currently in the permitting process.
- The Watergate park shade structure is currently in the re-engineering process.
- New playground construction is ongoing at the South Bay RV Park.
- Playground renovations are underway at the Kenwood Park.

## Michael Owens, School District of PBC

- Mr. Owens advised that Verde Elementary School in Boca Raton is in the process of being modernized, The holding school is located on Military Trail between Spanish River Blvd. and Banyan Trail. The entrance/exit is off of Banyan Trail. Due to limited parking at the holding site, additional parking is available at Don Estridge Middle School. The entrance to Don Estridge is just East of Military Trail off of Spanish River Blvd.
- The Addison Mizner Elementary School modernization will begin in 2020.
- There will be a new high school constructed on a 50 acre site north of Lantana on Lyons Rd projected to open in 2022-2023.

### Charbel Khadij, PBC Fire Rescue (FR)

- On August 24<sup>th</sup>, from 8:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m,. FR will be installing smoke and carbon monoxide alarms in the Jamaica Bay Mobile Home Park located in Boynton Beach.
- The First Responders 5k will be held on September 7<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., at the Wellington Amphitheater, 12100 Forest Hill Blvd, in Wellington.
- FR will celebrate their 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary on October 5th from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the FR headquarters located at 405 Pike Road, in West Palm Beach.

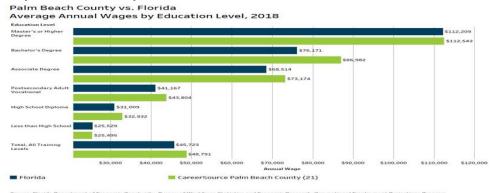
# III. Presentation: Elizabeth Burrows, Senior Director, Achieve Palm Beach County Ms. Burrows presented on "Education Readiness".

- 1. What is "EDUCATION READINESS"? How prepared are our students to successfully navigate the education system today?
  - Early Learning
  - Middle School
  - High School
  - Post-Secondary (Beyond High School)
- 2. WHO WE ARE **A** cross-sector collective impact initiative made of education, government, nonprofit, business, philanthropic organizations, and others committed to increasing access to and completion of education beyond high school.
- 3. OUR VISION That every Palm Beach County high school graduate completes a postsecondary credential within six-years of high school graduation that prepares them for a meaningful career with a sustainable wage.
- 4. OUR MISSION To ensure an integrated and effective system of supports from middle school through high school and beyond that equips students for career success.
- 5. What Is Post-Secondary Education? Continuum of Education Options
  - College/University
    - Associate's Degree
    - Bachelor's Degree
    - Advanced Degrees (Master's, J.D., Ph.D.)
  - Professional Certificates & Licenses
  - Trades & Vocational Training
  - Apprenticeships
  - Military Enlistment

## 6. Why Post-Secondary Education Matters

- In the School District of Palm Beach County, only 44 percent of all FY 2012 graduates and 32 percent of low-income graduates received a post-secondary credential within six years of high school graduation.
- This falls well short of the Florida College Access Network goal of 60 percent and far below the 68 percent of newly created jobs in Florida that will require a postsecondary credential.\*

## 7. Why Post-Secondary Education Matters



8. How We Work: Collective Impact

9. How We Work: 5-C Model

10. Achieve PBC: Our Goals

11. Our 4 Areas of Focus

## 12. FAFSA Completion Team

- Community FAFSA Tool Kit
- FAFSA Informational & Completion Events
- Mobile Labs Collaboration

## 13. Middle & High School Advisory Team

- Khan Academy and MyCareerShines community trainings
- Khan Academy and MyCareerShines informational cards
- Achieve PBC Summer Collegiate Institute
- Mobile Labs Collaboration

## 14. Post-Secondary Student Supports & Scholarships Team

- SURF (Student Urgent Relief) Fund
- AMP (All Male Panthers) Program
- PALMIE

## 15. Parents & Families Engagement Team

- Parent Checklists
- Community Gatherings
- Mobile Labs Collaboration

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### 16. Achieve PBC: 2019 & Beyond

## Strategic Plan "Review and Refresh"

May—November 2019

- Review relevant education data
- Review current initiative activities and impact
- Develop strategies and tactics to grow or scale current work
- o Identify other opportunities for strategic collaboration
- Develop relevant strategies and tactics

## Guide Achieve PBC's work for the next 2-3 years

## 17. What do you need to know?

- Career Planning
  - Explore interests
  - Education requirements
- Education Options Beyond High School
  - Degrees & Training Programs
  - Colleges/Universities
  - Internships & Apprenticeships
- Financial Planning Financial Aid options
- College Life
- Soft Skills/Life Skills
- Student Advocacy
- Family Engagement

#### IV. Questions/Comments:

- Francky Pierre-Paul of Kingdom Minded asked if there were any specific programs for single mothers and fathers. Ms. Burrows responded that Achieve is not a direct program or service provider. Mr. Powell with YS advised that he could provide Mr. Pierre-Paul with some information on programs YS provides funding through.
- Mr. Pierre-Paul invited all to his 2<sup>nd</sup> annual homeless drive on August 25<sup>th</sup>, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.. The drive will be held at the John Prince Park, located at 2700 6th Avenue South, in Lake Worth.
- Carmen SiFonte, San Castle resident, asked if any of the Achieve initiatives were done in the high schools. Ms. Burrows replied that a lot of their initiatives are indeed done in the high schools. Achieve works closely with teachers, school administrators and guidance counselors.
- Ms. SiFonte asked if Achieve would come to her community. Ms. Burrows responded that if that is what the community wants it could be arranged.
- Fadi Nassar, from PBC Engineering, stated that if Achieve has any students interested in engineering to let him know as the department can assist with programs for the students.
- David Rafaidus stated that he feels that additional information should be presented about how incarceration affects education and jobs. He added that 60 to 70% of workers in the air an heaintg industry received their training while incarcerated.

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The meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Approved by: Houston L. Tate, OCR Director\_

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<sup>\*</sup> A copy of the entire presentation is available from OCR upon request.