

Minutes for Children's Opportunity Alliance Board October 12, 2022

Call to order

A board meeting of the Children's Opportunity Alliance was held on October 12, 2022 at MCEDC's first floor conference room. It began at 6:00 pm and was chaired by Interim Chair Kevin Beverly. Interim Secretary was Pat Ruppert.

Voting members in attendance:

1. Kevin Beverly
2. Vernessa Broddie
3. Amy Cropp
4. Chandra Curtis
5. Hannah Hahn
6. William Hegwood
7. Tiffany Jones
8. Deborah Lambert
9. Nora Morales
10. BB Otero
11. Nichelle Owens
12. Myrna Peralta
13. Theresa Ramsaroop
14. Pat Ruppert
15. Dira Treadvance
16. Taniesha Woods Myles
17. Vivian Yao

Members not in attendance:

1. Raymond Crowel
2. Sonia Pruneda-Hernandez
3. Sobia Qureshi
4. Wayne (Chris) Saxton

Guests in attendance:

1. Franca Brilliant
2. Sharon Friedman
3. Busy Graham
4. Brittany Owens
5. Kristen Tribble

Approval of minutes:

A motion to approve the September minutes was made by Myrna Peralta. The motion carried by unanimous vote of 17 board members present.

Executive Committee Nominees:

Interim Chair Kevin Beverly presented the slate for the following positions on the Executive Committee:

Chair: Kevin Beverly
Vice Chair: Pat Ruppert
Secretary: Tiffany Jones

Main motion: Moved by Myrna Peralta to approve slate as presented. The motion carried by unanimous vote of 17 board members present.

Presentation: “What is the Role of the COA?”

Sharon Friedman of Montgomery Moving Forward presented on COA’s role per Montgomery County Council Bill 42-21.

Budget discussion:

COF board member Joan Schaffer presented changes that had been made in committee since the previous board meeting.

Main motion: Moved by Vivian Yao to set our fiscal year to match Montgomery County Council: July 1 through June 30. The motion carried by unanimous vote of 17 board members present.

Unfinished business:

- Budget will go back into committee and will be presented for vote at a later date.
- Nominations for Treasurer are requested by October 18.
- Members are asked to send training suggestions to Kevin Beverly.

Next meeting: November 9, 2022; time to be determined by Doodle Poll

Adjournment:

Pat Ruppert moved that the meeting be adjourned at 8:16 pm. The motion carried by unanimous vote of 17 board members present.

Interim Secretary signature: Patricia M. Ruppert
Date of approval: 10/19/22