

# CARROLL COUNTY LOCAL MANAGEMENT BOARD

June 16, 2020 – 8:30 am (virtual meeting)

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## MINUTES

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### I. Call to Order

A regular meeting of the Carroll County Local Management Board for Children, Youth and Families was held on June 16, 2020 at 8:30 am via virtual meeting using the GoToMeeting platform.

#### In Attendance

Lynn Davis (CCYSB), Corey Hardinger-Wilt (CCLMB Manager), Casey Staubs (FLA), Christina Kuntz (CCPL), Bonnae Meshulam (BGC), Ed Singer (CCHD), Ned Coyne (SAO), Brian Gass (DJS), Jennifer Mettrick (Penn-Mar), Amy Jagoda (CCPS), Marie Liddick (CCHD/LBHA), Kathi Green (CCPS), Stacey Watts (DORS), Katie Kirby (TWOI), Tammy Black (AC)

**Staff:** Gabby Kahney (CCLMB)

**Guests:** Jason Anderson (CCPS), Judy Jones (CCPS), Liza Frye (CC)

**Quorum:** No

**II. Welcome and Introductions:** Christina Kuntz, Chair of the Local Management Board, welcomed the group and all participants introduced themselves.

**III. Minutes** – The January 21, 2020 meeting minutes were approved via email.

### IV. FY 21 NOFA and LMB Program Funding –

- a. Corey shared the FY21 budget which will be sent to the group along with this meeting's minutes.
  - a. Programs funded through the Governor's Office of Children (GOC) are bolded.
    - i. The FY 21 NOFA was submitted and reviewed; however, the GOC placed the FY 21 NOFA results under an embargo so no public comment can be made.
    - ii. The results will be shared with the group as soon as the embargo is lifted.
  - b. Programs for which the CCLMB is the pass-through agency:
    - i. Preserving Safe and Stable Families funded by the Department of Human Services;
    - ii. Interagency Family Preservation funded by the Department of Human Services; and
    - iii. Youth and Family Engagement funded by the Department of Juvenile Services.
  - c. Starting in FY 21, the Boys and Girls Club is adding one additional afterschool program at Sykesville Middle School.
  - d. In April, the CCLMB expressed interest in the [Communities That Care model](#) offered through the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention.
    - i. Award results should come out in August and will be shared with the group.
    - ii. If awarded, the CCLMB will partner with the GOC to implement the Communities That Care model starting October 1, 2020.
      1. This opportunity would provide five years of funding to determine areas of high poverty and need, develop an advisory board, and identify local partners in Carroll County; the primary focus of the CTC model is to reduce youth health and behavior problems by implementing large-scale prevention plans.

## V. Upcoming Training Events

### a. Racial Equity Training

- a. The CCLMB is partnering Clear Impact (technical assistance consultants used by GOC) to offer Racial Equity Training.
  - i. Due to its focus on the work of LMB programs, this training is not open to the public. However, CCLMB members are encouraged to invite their coworkers to this event.
  - ii. Whether held in-person or virtually, tentative training dates are August 11<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>. Further details will be shared with the group as they become available.
    1. If virtual, it will most likely be held over two days in three-hour sessions.
    2. If in-person, it will most likely be a full day of training with a break for lunch.
      - a. The CCYSB generously offered to provide CEUs for this training; details will be shared as they become available.
- b. Jason Anderson and Judy Jones from CCPS shared that although CCPS has made great strides in racial equity work, there is more work to be done.
  - i. CCPS' General response:
    1. Jason and Judy found that African American, Latinx, and Asian students are not given the same access as their Caucasian peers.
      - a. African American students have less access than homeless students.
      - b. Currently, Latinx students the largest growing population in CCPS.
    2. Current racial equity initiatives include:
      - a. Developing regulations to support racially, culturally, and ethnically sensitive instructional programming;
      - b. Revisiting schools' nondiscrimination policies; and
      - c. Ensuring equal access for all students, their families, and employees.
  - ii. CCPS' COVID-related response:
    1. Equity plays a key role in students' access to meals and their ability to engage in distance/virtual learning.
    2. COVID looks different for everyone and must be viewed through different lenses for every student and family.
  - iii. CCPS' response over recent events such as the deaths of Ahmaud Arbery, Breonna Taylor, George Floyd, and Rayshard Brooks, and the resulting worldwide protests:
    1. In addition to a lack of access to distance/virtual learning, these current events are also preventing students from being available to learn.
    2. Judy shared that she is holding a summer book club for *So You Want to Talk About Race*; the first session is completely booked, and a second session is being scheduled.

### b. Bridges Out of Poverty

- a. This is an all-day training that focuses examining equity through a poverty lens. The initial Day One of the Bridges Out of Poverty training was held in November 2019.
- b. A second session of Day One will be held (date and location TBD) and will be open to the public.
- c. Day Two will also be held (date and location TBD); Day One of training is a prerequisite.

## **VI. By-Law Approval and FY 21 Executive Committee**

- a. By-Law revisions are still underway and will be revisited in the future.
  
- b. The CCLMB wants to create an Executive Committee for FY 21 to serve as a sounding board for bigger pictures issues. It would include, among others, the Chair, Vice Chair, Corey, Gabby, and Celene Steckel of the Department of Citizen Services. Ideally, this Committee would meet around three times a year or as needed.
  - a. If interested in becoming an Executive Committee member, please contact Corey directly.

## **VII. Agency Updates**

### **a. COVID Operations and Reopening Strategies**

- a. Carroll County Public Schools' Request for Proposal for Mental Health Services (presented by Amy Jagoda)
  - i. CCPS has formalized their vetting process for agencies providing mental health services to students while in school.
  - ii. Proposals must be returned by June 30, 2020 at 11:00 am.
  - iii. The entire RFP packet will be sent to the group along with this meeting's minutes.
  
- b. The Medical Respite program run by Access Carroll (presented by Tammy Black)
  - i. Located at East Middle School, the Medical Respite program has served over 25 unique individuals to meet medical needs and develop case management plans to provide housing and mental health services.
  - ii. The Respite is open until at least end of July/first week of August.
  - iii. CCLMB members are welcome to visit the Respite to volunteer or experience how COVID is affecting some of Carroll's most vulnerable individuals.
  
- c. The Boys and Girls Club of Westminster (presented by Bonnae Meshulam)
  - i. The Club will open on July 6<sup>th</sup> for a modified summer camp consisting of 69 children and will focus on learning and brain games to compensate for lost school time.
  - ii. The Club will open full-time/all day once the children return to school. BGC is hiring mental health professionals to assist children with traumas they may have experienced.
  - iii. In addition to the two afterschool programs at Northwest and North Carroll Middle Schools, in FY 21 BGC will offer another afterschool program at Sykesville Middle School.
  
- d. Together We Own It (presented by Katie Kirby)
  - i. TWOI's COVID efforts (including food/meal provision and delivery) are wrapping up.
    - 1. 4,000 individuals, 2,500 of which were unique, consisting of youth, families, and elderly were served between TWOI's deliveries and monthly food giveaways
    - 2. The monthly food pantry will continue to be held; future dates will be announced.
  - ii. As of June 15, TWOI's Teen Center opened back up.
  - iii. TWOI's new location on John Street in Westminster also opened June 15<sup>th</sup> and offers four times the space of their previous center. This has allowed TWOI to begin the Discover You program for children ages 5-11 who have intense mental health needs. Discover You offers one-on-one and group mentoring.
  
- e. Carroll County Youth Service Bureau (presented by Lynn Davis)
  - i. CCYSB will be open full-time starting August 1<sup>st</sup> with limited in-person appointments.

- ii. The waiver which allowed therapists to provide services via telehealth methods will no longer be available after July 27<sup>th</sup>.
- f. Local Care Team referrals (presented by Corey Hardinger-Wilt)
  - i. LCT referrals have decreased exponentially; we have had four meetings when normally we would have had 12.
  - ii. LCT referrals may suddenly explode when school starts back up.
- b. The Department of Juvenile Services (presented by Brian Gass)
  - a. Currently all offices remain closed with staff monitoring clients remotely by calling and holding virtual meetings.
  - b. Due to COVID, referrals, complaints to the police, and placements are down.
  - c. The DJS website provides updates regarding the status of DJS' facilities and contracted facilities.
- c. Carroll County Public Libraries (presented by Christina Kuntz)
  - a. All libraries are open for contactless express service as of June 8<sup>th</sup> (for more information go to <https://library.carr.org/pickup.asp>).
    - i. Individuals place materials on hold and pick up during a designated time.
    - ii. Library lobbies are open in two-hour increments for pickups (with one hour in between to clean). Materials are placed in in bags on tables for pick up.
- d. Carroll County Health Department/Local Behavioral Health Authority (presented by Marie Liddick)
  - a. Curbside services offered at the CCHD include obtaining birth certificates and naloxone refills.
    - i. Call 410-876-4449 to schedule an appointment.
  - b. Clinical services including reproductive health, mental health services, and vaccinations will soon return.
  - c. Directors are back full time, employees will return in subsequent phases, and peer recovery support specialists are still seeing clients virtually.
- e. Penn-Mar/Change Inc. (presented by Jennifer Mettrick)
  - a. Virtual supports have been extremely useful and will be implemented going forward given the vulnerability of the population served by Penn-Mar and Change Inc.

**Meeting Adjourned at 9:45 am.**

**The next general meeting of the LMB will be held on  
September 15, 2020 at 8:30 am; location/method of meeting to be determined.**

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