

# Division of Children and Family Services (DCFS)

## Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

<b>MEETING</b>	<b>Wednesday, February 7, 2024</b> 4:00 pm -6:00 pm – Cuyahoga County Administration Building
<b>ATTENDEES</b>	Gabriella Celeste, Beverly Charles, David Crampton, Verna Darby, Jacqueline Fletcher (DCFS), Andrew Garner, Jennifer Miller (DCFS), Angela Newman-White, Debra Rex, Beverly Torres (DCFS), Lakecia Wild  Guests – LeVine Ross, Ayanna Banks (Cleveland Documenters)
<b>MINUTES</b>	Available Online –Jennifer Miller will post minutes upon approval
<b>RECORDER</b>	Deborah Barber

### AGENDA ITEMS

	<b>Introduce and Welcome</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Lakecia Wild opened meeting</li><li>• Introductions</li><li>• Meeting minutes from December 2023</li><li>• Lakecia Wild – motion to accept.</li><li>• Beverly Charles– 1<sup>st</sup></li><li>• David Crampton – 2<sup>nd</sup></li><li>• Minutes Approved</li></ul>
	<b>Public Comment</b>
<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• None.</li></ul>

	<b>Governance Committee</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Status Report was emailed with the agenda, it was also sent to the county council and the county executive, it will be posted on the Advisory Board web page. Lakecia Wild – motion to approve. David Crampton – 2<sup>nd</sup> All Approved</li><li>• Lakecia Wild nominated Angela Newman-White to be the new chairperson. All approved Lakecia Wild was appreciative of the support and help she received</li></ul>

	<p>while she was the chair.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gabriella Celeste nominated Andrew Garner as the vice chair. Beverly Charles – 2<sup>nd</sup> All Approved</li> <li>Meeting Location – It has been difficult to find a meeting location in the community. Lavine Ross agreed to check the dates to see if the County Administration building is available. It was agreed that a virtual option will continue to be offered.</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Intervention Committee</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>David Crampton presented the Dashboard. There was a discussion of the benchmarks. Incorrect or incomplete coding in SACWIS causes some low benchmarks even though they are taking place. There has been progress in hiring staff. Racial equity data will be sent to the board tomorrow. Discussion of dashboard items.</li> </ul> <p>David Crampton – motion to approve dashboard.</p> <p>Andrew Garner – 1<sup>st</sup> Beverly Charles – 2<sup>nd</sup> All Approve</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Prevention Committee</b></p> <p>Gabriella Celeste – Requested that the number of referrals be added to the dashboard. The Public Health Statement was presented. There were three revisions presented to the letter.</p> <p>Gabriella Celeste – motion to accept letter with presented revisions. Debra Rex – 1<sup>st</sup> David Crampton – 2<sup>nd</sup> All Approved</p>
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Lakecia Wild agreed to be a part of the Community Conversations.	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Director’s Report</b></p> <p>Jacqueline Fletcher – It is the Advisory Board’s 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. The Child Wellness Campus will be a way to reimagine how DCFS interacts with the community. The Community Conversations have been taking place around the county.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Motion to adjourn – David Crampton</li> <li>Andrew Garner – 2<sup>nd</sup></li> <li>Meeting was adjourned at 6:00pm</li> </ul>

**Next Meeting:** April 3, 2024, 4:00pm – 6:00 PM  
**Location –** County Headquarters, 2079 E 9<sup>th</sup> St., Council Room A  
**Recorder –** Deborah Barber