



## **MINUTES**

**CUYAHOGA COUNTY EDUCATION, ENVIRONMENT & SUSTAINABILITY  
COMMITTEE MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16, 2022  
CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS  
C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR  
3:00 PM**

### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

**Chairwoman Simon called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m.**

### **2. ROLL CALL**

**Ms. Simon asked Deputy Clerk Carter to call the roll. Committee members Simon, Turner, Jones, Schron and Stephens were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Councilmember Conwell was also in attendance.**

### **3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

**There were no public comments given.**

### **4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 2, 2022 MEETING**

**A motion was made by Ms. Turner, seconded by Mr. Schron and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the March 2, 2022 meeting.**

### **5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE**

- a) R2022-0063: A Resolution making awards on RQ6689 to various school districts in the total amount not-to-exceed \$2,135,727.00 for School/Community-based Closing the Achievement Gap services for the period 1/1/2022 - 12/31/2023; authorizing the County Executive to execute the Master Agreement and all other documents consistent

with said awards and this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective:

- 1) Agreement No. 2268 with Bedford City School District.
- 2) Agreement No. 2269 with Cleveland Metropolitan School District aka Cleveland Municipal School District.
- 3) Agreement No. 2270 with Cleveland Heights – University Heights City School District.
- 4) Agreement No. 2227 with East Cleveland City School District.
- 5) Agreement No. 2273 with Garfield Heights City School District.
- 6) Agreement No. 2271 Maple Heights City School District.
- 7) Agreement No. 2272 Warrensville Heights City School District.

**Mr. Marcos Cortes, Social Program Administrator; Ms. Robin Martin, Director of Family & Children First Council; Mr. Christopher Hanke, Superintendent of Garfield Heights City Schools; Mr. Roman Graham, Linkage Coordinator for Garfield Heights City Schools; Dr. Ann Spurner, Grants Manager for East Cleveland City School District, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2022-0063. Discussion ensued.**

**Committee members and Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Cortes, Ms. Martin, Mr. Hanke, Mr. Graham and Dr. Spurner pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.**

**On a motion by Mr. Jones with a second by Ms. Turner, Resolution No. R2022-0063 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda with a recommendation for passage under second reading suspension of the rules.**

**Ms. Conwell, Ms. Turner, Ms. Stephens, Ms. Simon, Mr. Schron and Mr. Jones requested to have their names added as co-sponsors to the legislation.**

## 6. DISCUSSION

### a) Update regarding Project Love

**Mr. Stuart, President and CEO of Values-in-Action Foundation; and Mr. Shaun Sweet, Director of Community Partnerships for Values-in-Action Foundation, presented the Committee with an update on Project Love and provided information relating to the costs, staffing and number of students served. Discussion ensued.**

**Committee members and Councilmembers asked questions of Messrs. Stuart and Sweet pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.**

### b) Update regarding Cuyahoga County Scholarship Program

**Ms. Kittie Warshawsky, Chief External Officer of College Now Greater Cleveland; and Mr. Robert Durham, Director of Financial Aid of College Now Greater Cleveland, addressed the Committee regarding the Cuyahoga County Scholarship Program and provided information relating to the number of students funded, mentoring, mentoring and graduation rates. Discussion ensued.**

**Committee members and Councilmembers asked questions of Ms. Warshawsky and Mr. Durham pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.**

## 7. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

**There was no miscellaneous business.**

## 8. ADJOURNMENT

**With no further business to discuss, Chairwoman Simon adjourned the meeting at 4:22 p.m., without objection.**