



MINUTES
CUYAHOGA COUNTY HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES & AGING
COMMITTEE MEETING
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2022
CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS
C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4TH FLOOR
1:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairwoman Conwell called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Ms. Conwell asked Clerk Richardson to call the roll. Committee members Conwell, Sweeney, Turner and Miller were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Committee member Stephens was absent from the meeting.

A motion was made by Ms. Conwell, seconded by Ms. Turner and approved by unanimous vote to excuse Ms. Stephens from the meeting.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Loh addressed the Committee regarding the resources and challenges of the Department of Health and Human Services agencies, while serving various populations, including those experiencing homelessness.

County Executive-Elect Transition Team Members, Mr. Eric Wobser, Mr. David Razum and Ms. Sabrina Roberts, introduced themselves to the Committee members.

4. PRESENTATION:

Introduction and Overview of Health, Human Services and Aging Departments:

- a) Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Director – David Merriman
- b) Division of Cuyahoga Job and Family Services – Kevin Gowan, Director
- c) Division of Children and Family Services – Jacqueline Fletcher, Interim Director
- d) Division of Senior and Adult Services – Natasha Pietrocola, Interim Director
- e) Community Initiatives Division, Family and Children First Council – Robin Martin, Director
- f) Community Initiatives Division, Office of Early Childhood – Shawna Rohrman, Interim Director
- g) Community Initiatives Division, Office of Homeless Services – Melissa Sirak, Interim Director
- h) Community Initiatives Division, Office of Re-entry – Simeon L. Best, Director
- i) Office of Child Support Services – Tiffany Dobbins-Brazelton, Director
- j) Fatherhood Initiative – Al Grimes, Director

Mr. David Merriman, Director of the Department of Health and Human Services, addressed the Committee and provided introductions and brief department overviews.

Mr. Kevin Gowan, Director of Cuyahoga Job and Family Services; Ms. Jacqueline Fletcher, Interim Director; Ms. Keshia Sing, Supervisor; Mr. Bryan Stanton, Senior Manager; Mr. Guillermo Torres, Supervisor; and Ms. Stacey Jackson, Child Protection Specialist for the Division of Children and Family Services; Ms. Natasha Pietrocola, Interim Director for the Division of Senior and Adult Services; Ms. Robin Martin, Director for Family and Children First Council; Ms. Shawna Rohrman, Interim Director for Office of Early Childhood; Ms. Melissa Sirak, Interim Director for the Office of Homeless Services; Mr. Simeon Best, Director for Office of Re-entry; Ms. Tiffany Dobbins-Brazelton, Director for Office of Child Support Services; and Mr. Al Grimes, Director for the Fatherhood Initiative provided presentations regarding the programs and services available through their respective agencies.

Ms. Conwell thanked the departments for their presentations and commented that the meeting livestream and all presentations given are available on the County's YouTube page.

5. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There was no miscellaneous business.

6. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Chairwoman Conwell adjourned the meeting at 3:00 p.m., without objection.