



Making Young Children a Priority!
Durham's Partnership for Children
Board of Directors Meeting
August 21, 2008

Board members present:

Skip Auld	Rebecca Freeman	Michael Palmer	Marlo Walston
Ilene Britt	Joe Haenn	Debbie Pitman	Angie Welsh
Cheryl Brown	Antonia Pedroza for Sammy Haithcock	Diane Rupprecht	
Wendy Burnette	Marilyn Hedgepeth	Delphine Sellars	
Linda Chappel	Deborah Horvitz	Carolyn Titus	
Dave Clark	Kirsten Kainz	Barbara Vandewoestine	Danielle Caldwell, guest

Board members excused:

Ellen Reckhow	Bill Bryant	Rhonda Parker	
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Board members absent:

Annie Vample	DeeDee Fields	Ellen Holliman	
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Staff present:

Marsha Basloe	Vicki Rawlings	Karine Stallings
Jameka Wells	Danielle Johnson	Ted Whiteside
Diana Graham	Kate Irish	Trish Vandersea

I. CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 3:08 by Michael Palmer

II. INTRODUCTIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Antonia Pedroza will be representing Sammy Haithcock at today's meeting. Summer Intern Elisa Rosoff introduced, and announced that Danielle Caldwell potential Board member in attendance.

III. CONSENT AGENDA:

May meeting minutes, Executive Committee Action Items & attachments, MAF Selection Criteria, DSS letter, spending analysis for FY 07/08 and spending analysis for FY 08/09

Motion to approve consent agenda

Motion: Skip Auld Second: Carolyn Titus Motion carried
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IV. AGENDA MODIFICATIONS: There were no agenda modifications requested.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: No public comment.

VI. REPORTS AND UPDATES:

- **Allocations Committee Update**

Barbara – Reviewed the Allocations Process for FY 08/09 and RFP process and timeline for FY 09 – 11 Activities. (Handout) There are five new Allocations Committee members which brings the number of allocations members to eighteen.

- **More at Four**

Requirements Review – (Handout) Marsha reviewed the MAF Guidelines and Requirements Results comparing percentages from FY 02/03 and FY 07/08. Form prepared in a similar way to the PBIS to show progress. Key points – Increase in # of 5 star centers, teacher education/licensure and credentials had significant increase since FY 02/03, now almost 50% compared to 20%. MAF salary scale comparable to DPS, and can also apply for wages. Goal is to have MAF setting 50% public and 50% private. Offered special training to sites on family involvement and curriculum assessment; health assessment plan is now a new encouragement (not yet required), Will work with community partners on early intervention plans based on Dial 3 assessments.

More at Four Update – Danielle reported: Pre-service held 8/18 and 8/19 for MAF teachers and Directors with more than 27 workshops. Keynote speaker Khari Garvin (Head Start State Collaboration Director, OSR), 160 people in attendance Monday and 140 people in attendance Tuesday. There are fewer than 20 slots that still need to be filled in private sites; 9 MAF sites that are completely filled and all of DPS 53 slots are filled.

- **By-Laws Update**

By-laws require us to have someone from NCCU as a Board member and attempts to have someone from NCCU have been unsuccessful. DPFC will be non compliant (with possible monitoring issue) if the seat stays open. Therefore the Executive Committee recommended that a by-law change be implemented (everyone received recommendation previous to the Board Meeting). We will continue efforts going forward to have representation from NCCU.

Motion to approve the change in the by-laws requirement for the Board of Directors to have a representative from NCCU

Motion: From Executive Committee Second: Rebecca Freeman Motion carried

- **Faith Initiative**

Reviewed history of the Faith Initiative (handout) which began in FY 2004/2005 with Durham Family Initiative and Ann Stock from End Poverty Durham. With the help of volunteers who interviewed 50 pastors/church personnel we now have a significant amount of data that is housed in a database at DPFC. In June we started to put together a plan on the next steps. We will also need someone to continue the initiative's work and analyze the data (consultant) as well as plan for using this information.

Ted presented efforts - We have been very aggressive in seeking support for this initiative. Big corporations are hesitant to provide support once "Faith" is mentioned. We are conservatively optimistic that we will receive a donation for the initiative from the Mary Duke Biddle Foundation. Board members urged to go to their own congregations for support. Significant discussion followed among Board members who wanted more clarification on what exactly they are to do. Suggested that requests be packaged around the benefits for the community, families and children. Barbara shared her efforts with her church and encouraged others to think about it.

- **Annual Meeting/Endowment Planning/Retreat**

Annual meeting will be held October 16th at the Durham Hilton, along with the retreat. David Lawrence will be the key-note speaker. Information shared on D. Lawrence and his efforts on the Children's Trust in Miami. The focus of the retreat will be how to move the long range plans forward – early childhood efforts in a future bond and endowment strategy planning. 08-09 will be a year of planning. (Kickoff of endowment 2010 with 15 year anniversary) We will also do a feasibility study for the endowment to gain a sense of what the potential might be, and what is the message and provide a professional package. The endowment would help us be innovative which can no longer be with our funds being regulated. Would like to include a children's savings account where at birth a child receives a certain amount of money and funds added throughout, with children having at high school graduation money for college.

- **Board Giving Campaign 08/09**

Every year we emphasize 100% Board giving, and that will be the focus at the Board reception the second week of November, location to be announced. There was discussion around using the Board donations as seed money for the endowment.

Motion to use the Board of Directors giving this year and next year as seed money for the endowment

Motion: Barbara VanDewoestine Second: Kirsten Kainz Motion carried
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Membership – Nominations for FY 08/09 Slate of Officers with one change – Bill Bryant no longer with Scott & Stringfellow, now Bryant Investment Management Group. Officers will be voted on at the Annual Meeting.

A presentation given to Deborah Horvitz who will be leaving the board. Deborah thanked for her service. Danielle Caldwell who runs a five star home daycare center and has been in the child care industry for 15 years presented by the Nominations Committee as a new Board member.

Motion to approve Danielle Caldwell for Board Membership

Motion: Nominations Committee Second: Marlo Walston Motion carried
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VII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

We are looking for Annual Meeting sponsorships; this is the first time an Annual Meeting will be open to the public. Governor Hunt will be speaking at the State of Durham's Children event September 23rd. Retreat with DPS with goal of transition to school held; will look at school readiness data. We hired a new Assistant Director Angelica Oberleithner who starts Sept 2. Sarah Wolf left and we are in the process of interviewing for a new Finance Director. Marsha will act as Interim Finance Director until a new person is hired. KB home instituting a regional book drive and Karine Stalling's information on early literacy may be included in their national newsletter. Marsha thanked Carolyn Titus for her time during a discussion of learning about a bond and public funding.

Meeting adjourned at 4:10 pm