May 22, 2019
6:00pm to 8:00pm
General Session/Regular Meeting

**Members Present:** Stacie Davis, Shoshana DeMaria, Justin Hodge, Juanita House, Elizabeth Janovic, Commissioner Ricky Jefferson, Jo Ann McCollum, Desmond Miller, Danyelle Reynolds, Mary Phillips-Smith, Rhonda Weathers

**Members Absent:** Cherisa Allen, Ryan Hunter, Commissioner Ruth Ann Jamnick, Ashley Jordan, Mark McBride

**Staff Present:** Morghan Williams

**Staff Absent:** Caitlin Nagler

**Guest:** Sandy Bowers (OCED), Taylor Pahl (OCED), Kate White (MCA)

I. **Call to Order**
   • Chair called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

II. **Welcome and Introductions**
    • Welcome to guests Kate White of Michigan Community Action, and Sandy Bowers and Taylor Pahl of the OCED Foster Grandparents program

III. **Public Comments**
    • No public comments at this time

IV. **Approval of May 22, 2019 Meeting Agenda**
    • Discussion:
      a. add section “Board: New Business” to agenda as a standing item
      b. add discussion of changing times for meeting
    • a motion was made by Rhonda to add board member announcements ongoing to the agenda and a discussion on the time for the meeting. Motion supported by Justin. Motion carried.

V. **Approval of March 20, 2019 Meeting Minutes**
    • Discussion: Chair reminder all to review notes before meeting to save time during meeting and acknowledged that there might not be enough time for all to do so
    • Motion made by Justin, motion supported by Desmond. Motion carried.

VI. **Foster Grandparent Program Presentation**
    • Sandy Bowers and Taylor Pahl present on FGP; what works about the program and what could be improved. Foster grandparents survey data.

VII. **Michigan Community Action Presentation**
    • Kate White of MCA presents on how CAB members can utilize OCED’s mission for their own brand. Other trainings are available for members also
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- Bridges out of Poverty training in Taylor is free to CAB members and CAA employees. Staff to pass on info via email.

VIII. **OCED Updates**
- Opportunity Index convening on an off meeting date. Doodle will be sent out to schedule meeting
- Systems Change Convo- COFU partners are interested in learning from CAB on systems change endeavors. Will try to schedule meeting to happen with Opportunity index meeting.

IX. **CAB Member Discussion – Emerging Issues**
- JoAnn announced that event updates can be sent out via email to the group
- Justin- Sugar Brook residents working with Habitat for Humanity to improve curbs, sidewalks
- JoAnn- recent gun violence is being conducted by those who have stolen guns from unlocked cars. There is an effort in West Willow to create a campaign awareness for responsible gun ownership. Asked if there are members who would be willing and wanting to partner. Justin agreed to partner efforts.
- Discussion on Advocacy Committee:
  - Based on handout given by MCA, board members will bring to the next meeting known activities happening relevant to the core areas of MCA. (Caitlin will resend handout from advocacy day)
  - Discussion on changing time for the meeting from 6-8, to 5:30-7:30p. members motioned to change times. Request for updates on time on calendar invites and an email to let members not present know of change in time. Motion moved by Rhonda, supported by Soshanna.
  - Discussion on holding members accountable when meeting is being rushed to close, when there are some still talking. Group decided to hold each other accountable and will call and end to meetings when they are over and offer space for those to continue talking when appropriate.

X. **Public Comment**
- No public comments at this time

XI. **Adjourn**
- Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.