

MEETING MINUTES

SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

Thursday, September 14, 2023 7:00 PM

Social Services Committee

Members Present: S. Olds Frey, D. Ohanian, K. Rolling, K. Hayes, Councilmember Burns, Councilmember Reid, R. Phillips

Members Absent: A. Ngola, S. Lackey,

Staff Present: M. Johnson, J. Wingader

Call to Order / Declaration of Quorum

Chair Olds Frey called the meeting to order at 7:11 pm.

Public Comment

No public comment.

Approval of Meeting Minutes for July 13, 2023

Mr. Rolling moved approval of the meeting minutes for July 13, 2023, seconded by Ms. Hayes; a roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 6-0 with Councilmember Burns abstaining.

Discussion of FY2023 Case Management Program Outcomes/Updates

The following agency representatives provided updates and answered questions about program outcomes:

Connections for the Homeless - Youth Program: Kelsey Caspersen, Director of Government Relations and Michael Mallory, Chief Government Relations Officer

Family Focus - Case Management: Vanessa Allen, Center Director and JoAnn Avery, Program Manager

Housing Authority of Cook County - Behavioral Health: Marcus King, Director of Strategy and Communication

Impact Behavioral Health Partners - Clinical Services: Lauren Warsaw, Division Director of Clinical Services

Infant Welfare Society - Case Management: Stephen Vick, Executive Director and Diana Newton, Director of Development and Communications

James B. Moran Center for Youth Advocacy: Patrick Keenan-Devlin, Executive Director and Kristen Kennard, Deputy Director/Director of Social Work Services

Approval of Social Services Committee Administrative Rules & Procedures

Staff noted updates aligning Administrative Rules & Procedures with the ordinance governing the Social Services Committee. After no further discussion, Councilmember Reid moved approval and adoption of the Social Services Committee Administrative Rules & Procedures, seconded by Councilmember Burns; a roll call vote was taken and the motion was approved 7-0.

Nomination of Chair and Vice Chair

Councilmember Reid nominated Samantha Olds Frey to the role of Chair and Derik Ohanian to the role of Vice Chair; both accepted the nomination. Councilmember Reid then moved approval of the slate of officers seconded by Ms. Hayes; a roll call vote was taken and the motion was approved 7-0.

Staff Report

Staff provided a summary of the first meeting of the Wraparound Evanston discussion series and an outline of additional meetings in the series.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:11 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Jessica Wingader
Senior Grants and Compliance Specialist