## United Way of Lee, Hendry, Glades, and Okeechobee Board of Directors Meeting, September 27, 2019

## **Minutes**

Present: Patricia Bell, Bob Beville, Gary Bryant, Cindy Carfore, John Clinger, David Dale, David Fry, Lowell George, Chauncey Goss, Larry Hart, Barbara Hartman, Cindy Hawkins, Beth Hendry, Michelle Hudson, Amy Hughes, Charles Idelson, Sally Jackson, Calli Johnson, Kevin Lewis, Victoria Loyola, David Lucas, Vicki Moreland, Bill Motzer, Stan Nelson, Scott Nygaard, Pat O'Donnell, David Oliver, Steve Pontius, Angela Pruitt, Karen Ryan, Robert Shearman, Bryan Simmering, Ted Todd, Mary Vlasak Snell, Mark Webb.

**Staff:** Kim Berghs, Patrice Cunningham, Kim Fay, Jeannine Joy, Jeremy Gentile, Linda Hafner, Mary Meador, Nancy Olson, Hannah Pelle, Alexis Rodriguez, Marcia Turner, Naomi Weathers, Michael Willis

Guests: Shay Hovell and Maddy from LARC.

- 1. United Way Board Chair Beth Hendry called the meeting to order at 8:01 am at the United Way Building with a quorum present.
- 2. The minutes of the August 24, 2019 Board of Directors Meeting were approved as presented.
- 3. Kevin Lewis, Shay Hovell, and Maddy from LARC were presented this month's Living United Award for creating and manufacturing the new Live United sign in the lobby. Larry Hart and the Tax Collector's Office was presented the Highest United Way Campaign Per Capita Award for the entire state of Florida.
- 4. Treasurer Cindy Hawkins reviewed the Q2 Financials and uncollected pledges. UW VP of Finance, Michael Willis, shared that United Way is in the process of moving the operating account to FineMark National Bank & Trust, as the bank offered UW the account with no fees.
- 5. Beth Hendry reviewed the new United Way organizational chart and shared that UW will soon be using PayChex HR services, as they offered a significant discount to the organization.
- 6. A new organizational policy addition that allows employees to donate vacation and sick time to a bank to be used for medical emergencies for other staff was approved as presented except for the change of maximum time received by an employee being 15 and not 16 weeks within a calendar year.
- 7. UW VP of United Way 211, Linda Hafner, shared the Coordination of Entry program for the homeless in partnership with Lee County Department of Human and Veteran Services. United Way 211 is serving as the point of entry with screening into that program. Data for the first three weeks shows a significant increase in the number of new homeless in our community.



- 8. Members of this year's Campaign Cabinet reviewed the highlights so far in the new campaign. David Lucas announced \$2,419,765 with 108 Tocqueville Members and reminded everyone to get him more names. Pacesetter Chair Bob Beville reminded everyone that the Campaign Kick Off is 10/29/19 and to get tickets now. The campaign is currently at 2.8 million and 26%. That is 2% higher than at this time last year.
- 9. Community Impact Chair, John Clinger, shared the newest location for United Way Gifts in Kind at the Bell Tower. The space is being offered for free and the ribbon cutting is 10/7/19.
- 10. Volunteer Center Chair, Steve Pontius, shared the Beasley's Paw Prints Outreach Program and gave an update on VITA volunteers.
- 11. Building Committee Chair David Fry gave an update that the staff is in the process of gathering quotes for demolition of the old building in the back of the property and a replacement modular that would house the entire United Way 211 call center with growth.
- 12. Upcoming events and dates were announced.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:04 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeannine Joy President & CEO