

VA FAMILY AND CHILDREN'S TRUST FUND

(VA-FACT) Board of Trustees Sustainability Committee Meeting, Jan 17th, 2023

Participation:

Trustees Present: Linda Wilkinson (Committee Chair), Season Roberts, Ginny Powell, Tyler Hart, Cherie Short, Tavares Floyd

Trustees Absent: Allison Lawrence

Staff Present: Nicole Poulin (Executive Director) and Taylor Hohle (Senior Research Associate)

Others Present: Lisa Specter-Dunaway

Opening: Chairperson Wilkinson called the meeting to order at 1:31 PM

Review of Strategic Planning Process: Lisa Specter-Dunaway

- FACT has drastically changed throughout the years and has continued to grow
- Current Timeline
 - Interviews with stakeholders and community partners (many of these have already occurred)
 - A review of the landscape of current family violence work in Virginia
 - Survey to the Board of Trustees in February
 - Synopsis will be sent to the Board with additional materials to review as "homework" to complete prior to the Planning Session scheduled for March 31st. Linda will coordinate with Committee members to place calls to other board members prior to the meeting to remind them to review the materials and come prepared to participate
 - A final draft of the Strategic Plan for Sustainability will be provided to Sustainability Committee Members to review by the end of April
 - The Sustainability Committee will meet, the first part of May, to discuss and review the plan together prior to final adoption

Review of Key Stakeholders: Lisa Specter-Dunaway

- The committee reviewed stakeholders who have already been contacted. There was discussion on which additional service areas, populations, and stakeholders needed to be added.
- Lisa relayed some repeated information that has been collected so far from stakeholders.
 - They wish that FACT could continue to offer larger grants that fund trauma-informed work rather than operations.
 - Grants should be given to organizations that have plans for sustainability.
 - There is a need for trauma-informed work around parents in addition to the work done for children and employees.
 - Some questioned why FACT was not taken seriously in their recommendations.
 - FACT is voice of "cutting edge" -- High quality research and ideas come from FACT

Discussion of Board Planning Session Agenda: Lisa Specter-Dunaway

- Four new board members at the meeting. There was discussion around making sure they are up to speed and included. Two of the new Board members (Tyler and Cherie) have joined this committee.
- There was discussion on how to keep board members engaged between meetings.

Next Steps:

- Nicole will resend the Sustainability Report, as well as a one-pager about FACT that Tavares has requested.

- Lisa will provide direction for the Board of Trustees on what will be needed in order to be prepared for the meeting.
- Lisa will provide the list of stakeholder interview questions to the committee.

Meeting adjourned at 2:37 PM