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HEARING NOTES

Legislative Oversight: LO21-0007

Baltimore City Children and Youth Fund – An Update

Committee: Education, Workforce, and Youth

Chaired by Robert Stokes, Sr.

Hearing Date: Thursday, March 30, 2023

Time (Beginning): 10:00 AM

Time (Ending): 11:30 AM

Location: Virtual “WebEx” Meeting

Total Attendance: Approximately 25

Committee Members in Attendance:

Robert Stokes, Sr.	James Torrence
John Bullock	Phylicia Porter
Zeke Cohen	Sharon Green Middleton

Antonio Glover – excused absence

Bill Synopsis in the file?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a
Attendance sheet in the file?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a
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Final vote taken at this hearing?	<input type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> n/a

Major Speakers

(This is not an attendance record.)

- Alysia Lee, President Baltimore City Children and Youth Fund (BCYF)

Major Issues Discussed

1. Ms. Lee introduced her staff and the members of the Board of Directors who attended the hearing. She, along with several staff members (who participated) gave a PowerPoint Presentation. **A copy is on file.** She stated, "I will start off where I left off during the last hearing held." Some highlighted topics of discussion were:
 - Grassroots Portfolio
 - Strengthening families
 - Mentoring males
 - Teens in the neighborhoods
2. Chairman Stokes thanked Ms. Lee and her staff for all the work done thus far. He also requested, **"Please submit a copy of the survey to the committee."** He also suggested that they consider creating a "Grandmother's Day."
3. Several committee members made comments, asked questions and etc. Some highlights were:
 - Several committee members thanked Ms. Lee and her team for the work done thus far. Some comments were:
 - Keep up the good work; it is definitely notice!
 - Kudos to your entire team!
 - Fantastic things are happening with our youth!
 - Having youth/young folks serving on the Board is great!
 - Questions, Concerns and other Comments
 - Did your organization receive any ARPA funds? **Answer: No**
 - Resources
 - Does your organization need additional resources such as vans?
 - Run-Away Youths – talk about this
 - Sustainability
 - Comment regarding transforming communities so they can be sustainable
 - Diversifying funds – talk about this
 - Curriculum development is of interest
 - Comments regarding BCYF's relationship with Baltimore City Public Schools
 - Comments regarding the We Rise Program
 - Fiscal sponsorship – talk about this
 - Fiscal sponsorship is a big problem in our city!
 - Who are some of the other organizations that are helping with this issue?
 - When allocating your funds to grantees do you make sure all forms are correct?
 - Youth Anti-Violence
 - Comments regarding same
 - Talk more about this issue
 - Talk more about restoring justice
 - Are there any citywide efforts happening to curtail violence?
 - Comments regarding:
 - Poverty in the City of Baltimore
 - Free meals in Schools
 - Trauma and Poverty – many issues are interrelated

4. No one signed up to testify. The hearing was called to recess.

Further Study

Was further study requested?

☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, describe.

1. See request by Chairman Stokes **highlighted in yellow**, in #2 of the "Major Issues Discussion Section" above.
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Marguerite M. Currin

Marguerite Murray Currin, Committee Staff

Date: April 14, 2023

cc: Bill File
OCS Electronic File




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				For	Against	Yes	No
John	Doe	400 N. Holliday St. Johndoenbmore@yahoo.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cameron	Miles	Mentoring Male Teens in the Hood					
MARQUIS	Pollock	BCYF					
Darlene	Clark	SLYC BCYF St. Luke's Youth Ctr	✓				
Amanda	Talbot	BCYF St. Luke's Youth Center (SLYC)	✓				
Alycia	hee	BCYF	✓				
Brandon	Hansen	BCYF					
Erik	Peay	BCYF					

Larry Simmons BCYF ✓

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Bennice	Thayer	BCYF bthayer@bcyfund.org					
Emily	Cory	BCYF ecory@bcyfund.org					

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Andrew	Green	Abell Foundation					

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Meeting Minutes - Final

Education Workforce and Youth

Thursday, March 30, 2023

10:00 AM Virtual/Du Burns Chambers, City Hall, 4th Floor: Phone:
+1-408-418-9388, Access Code: 2348 599 1755, Password:
Public, Link: [https://bmore.webex.com/bmore/j.php?](https://bmore.webex.com/bmore/j.php?MTID=meb36cf4eef318ba45b2e4f3733dc28dd)
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CALL TO ORDER

INTRODUCTIONS

ATTENDANCE

Present 6 - Robert Stokes Sr., John T. Bullock, Zeke Cohen, Sharon Green Middleton, Phylcia Porter, and James Torrence

Excused 1 - Antonio Glover

ITEM SCHEDULED FOR PUBLIC HEARING

LO21-0007

Baltimore City Children and Youth Fund

For the purpose of holding a committee hearing to give updates on the status of and/or activities associated with the fund.

Hearing was recessed.

ADJOURNMENT