#### PALM BEACH COUNTY **BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

## **BOARD APPOINTMENT SUMMARY**

Meeting Date: November 17, 2020

**Department** 

Submitted By: **Community Services** 

Advisory Board: **Community Action Advisory Board** 

#### I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

Motion and Title: Staff recommends motion to approve: the reappointments of two (2) current members to the Community Action Advisory Board, effective November 17, 2020:

Seat No.	Reappointment	Seat Requirement	<b>Term Ending</b>	<b>Nominated By</b>
2	Kevin L. Jones	Public Sector Representative	09/30/2023	Comm. McKinlay Comm. Kerner Comm. Weinroth CAAB
5	Mary R. Wilkerson	Public Sector Representative	09/30/2023	Comm. McKinlay Comm. Kerner Comm. Weinroth

Summary: The total membership for the Community Action Advisory Board (CAAB) shall be no more than 15 at-large members, comprised of one-third elected public officials or their representatives, one-third private sector members recommended by the CAAB and one-third low-income representatives selected by a democratic process in the target neighborhoods served, per Resolution No. R-2018-0372, adopted April 10, 2018, amending Resolution R-2014-0588. Members will fully participate in the planning, implementation, and evaluation of the Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) program to serve low-income communities. Mr. Jones and Ms. Wilkerson meet applicable guidelines and requirements outlined in the resolution. Ms. Wilkerson is an employee of Drug Abuse Treatment Association, Inc., which contracts with the County for services. The CAAB provides no regulation, oversight, management, or policy setting recommendations regarding the subject contracts or transactions. Disclosure of this contractual relationship at a duly noticed public meeting is being provided in accordance with the provisions of Section 2-443, of the Palm Beach County Code of Ethics. The diversity count for the 10 seats that are currently filled is African-American: 8 (80%), Hispanic-American: 1 (10%) and Caucasian: 1 (10%). The gender ratio (female: male) is 10:0. Both Mr. Jones and Ms. Wilkerson are African-American. Staff conducts targeted outreach in an effort to proffer candidates for appointments that maintain a diverse composition of the board. (Community Action Program) Countywide (HH)

Background and Justification: The BCC first created a Community Action Council Advisory Board in 1974. This was done to qualify Palm Beach County to receive CSBG funds. The CSBG agreement requires the establishment of a Community Action Advisory Board and the CAAB participates in the planning, implementation, and evaluation of the CSBG program to serve low-income communities.

#### Attachments:

- 1. Board/Committee Applications
- 2. Inventory of Seats List
- 3. Resolution No. R-2018-0372

10/28/2020 Recommended By: **Department Director Date** Legal Sufficiency: Assistant County Attorney

# II. REVIEW COMMENTS

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# Attachment 1

# PALM BEACH COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS BOARDS/COMMITTEES APPLICATION

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# Reverend Kevin L. Jones Assistant Pastor Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church West Palm Beach, FL

Rev. Kevin L. Jones is a native of Rustburg, VA, and is the youngest son of Dwight and Gladys. Jones.

Rev. Jones completed his education in the Campbell County School System and graduated with a Bachelor Degree in Criminal Justice from Radford University in 1996. In 2007, Rev. Jones graduated from Palm Beach Atlantic University with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Ministry, and in August 2012, graduated with a Master of Divinity Degree from The Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta, GA.

Rev. Jones relocated to West Palm Beach, FL in 1997 and has held several positions in the non-profit sector focusing on Youth Development.

Rev. Jones was licensed to preach the Gospel in July of 2004, and ordained in September of 2007, at Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. Gerald D. Kisner. In October of 2006, Rev. Jones joined the staff as the Minister for Youth and Young Adults. In July of 2014 Rev. Jones was elevated to the role of Assistant Pastor. In addition to the Youth and Young Adults, Rev. Jones works primarily with the Adopt -A-School Ministry, Christian Education Ministry, Men's Ministry, and the Social Justice Ministry.

Rev. Jones also serves as Coordinator of Community Initiatives in the Department of Housing and Community Development in the City of West Palm Beach. Rev. Jones coordinates the African American Advisory Council, Mayor's Youth Council, Faith Advisory Council, and the Mayor's Village Initiative. The Mayor's Village Initiative's mission is to improve the outcomes of young black men in targeted areas of the city.

Rev. Jones is the Past Co-President of P.E.A.C.E., a congregation-based organization charged with the mission of fighting injustice in the communities of Palm Beach County. During his time as Co-President, P.E.A.C.E. was able to win important issues in the areas of Wage Theft, Jobs and Unemployment in the Glades, Youth Crime, and Out of School Suspensions. These victories provided much needed opportunities for the least of these in our communities.

Rev. Jones is Past President of the Baptist Minister's Conference of the Palm Beaches and Vicinity, and is the first clergy nominated to serve on the board of the Palm Beach County Criminal Justice Commission. He is a proud member and Past Master of Pride of Palm Beach, Lodge #447, Free and Accepted Masons, and the Delta Delta Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Rev. Jones enjoys coaching his sons and has volunteered for several years with the Recreation Department in the City of Greenacres, FL.

Kevin is married to Michelle T. Jones, and is the father of three sons, Nicholas, Brandon, and Darrin.

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#### **EDUCATION**

St. Thomas University - 1989

Miami, Florida

Major: Human Resource with emphasis in Psychology

New England Tech of Palm Beach County - 1986

West Palm Beach, Florida

Major: Data Entry minor in Computer Programming

Associate of Applied Science Degree

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

City Commissioner

City of Belle Glade 2009-Present

#### **On-Site Counselor**

Drug Abuse Treatment Association, Inc.

2007-Present

Screen all clients within the assigned agency and to identify those with substance abuse problems. Implement appropriate substances abuse services in conjunction with Belle Glade Team and, as needed, provide group and/or individual outreach as well as intervention services. Work closely with Prevention Belle Glade Staff, and others who provide ancillary services, drug education and urinalysis screening may also be required, facilitate crisis intervention services as needed, establish collaborative relationships with community providers, link clients to social services as needed, facilitate drug and anger management education individual and/or group sessions, while attending daily court proceedings, advocate for appropriate individuals to receive outreach intervention services.

#### Migrant Advocate

School District of Palm Beach County

2004-2007 Retired

Advocate for migrant students with parents, school staff, employers and the public in a manner which is effective and sensitive to language and cultural differences. Ability to gain rapport with migrant students and motivate them. Assist migrant 6-12 grade students toward graduation. Serves as a liaison between teachers, counselors, parents and students. Provides motivationand support for attendance, participation in school and migrant activities, and academic excellence.

#### Client Services Unit Leader

School District of Palm Beach County 2001-2004

Serves as project S.A.V.E. (See and Valuing Education) coordinator which includes recruiting students that are socio-economic disadvantage to encourage them to attend school and to improve in all areas of learning. Some students attended Sylvan Learning Center, after school tutorial and

Leadership Training Seminars. My duties include making numerous home and school visits. This is a two-year grant which I generated \$80,205.00.

#### Social Service Facilitator

School District of Palm Beach County 1989-2000

Serve as a Team leader for a group of Community Resource People (CRP's); review CRP's Weekly Planners, mileage forms and identification forms. Providing vital information for resource. Implements all support services activities for a cluster of schools; identifies and recruits migratory children. Assist the Community Resource Specialist with social services for migrant students. Codes health information on appropriate forms; assists the Migrant Secondary Program, Early Childhood Program, Language Arts program, and Parental Involvement Program. Submits weekly and monthly summary reports of activities and SRP reports. Assists the Department of Federal Program's administrative staff as needed. Trouble shooter for personnel differences that may arise during Supervisor's absence.

#### Life Skills Instructor

South Bay Correctional Facility/Wackenhut 5/1997-5/2003

Instruct male inmates in areas of pre-release preparations, household planning, re-entry into society, budgeting skills, parenting skills, improving interpersonal skills, stress and anger management skills.

#### **City Commissioner**

City of Belle Glade 1998-2000

#### Crisis Unit Technician

Western Palm Beach County Mental Health Center 1989-1996

Conducted counseling sessions for rehabilitating alcohol, drug and mental health clients. Complete detailed admissions' packets for every admittance; conduct one-on-one counseling sessions for clients unable to participate in group sessions. Maintain accurate records of supplies and clients needs; plan and prepare meals for clients.

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### Office Assistant/Data Entry Clerk

School District of Palm Beach County – Pahokee Elementary 1986-1989

Organize enrollment registration for school; input, retrieve and update information on each student; compile and classify data obtained; complete request for information forms and mail to parents and/or guardians for students; assist in various office duties.

# Instructional Aide

School District of Palm Beach County 1980-1986

Tutor school students utilizing teacher directed instructions; assist teacher in maintaining accurate records; complete appropriate forms as instructed; assist teacher in various classroom responsibilities.

## Teacher's Aide

School District of Palm Beach County 1977-1980

Tutor Trainable Mentally Retarded students utilizing teacher directed instructions; assisting teacher in various classroom responsibilities; assisting students with personal care.

#### **VOLUNTEER WORK**

Advisory Committee 1988-1990

Glades Central Community High School

Coordinator for "Project Graduation" 1987-1988

Glades Central Community High School

"Raider" Band Booster 1988-1990

Glades central Community High School

Youth Director 1989-1990 Mt. Zion A.M.E. Church

College Outreach Program 1996-1998

Palm Beach Community College - Glades Campus

**Pre-planning Committee 1997** 

Palm Beach Community College - Glades Campus

Glades Youth Council 1998-2001

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, President 2001-2003

VISION-To-Action 1996-1998

**Church School Teacher** 

Mt. Zion A.M.E. Church

Glades Area Police Athletic League (PAL), President 2002-2004

Glades Area MLK Committee, Vice-Chair, 2001 - Present

Board Member-Community Action Council-Palm Beaches, 2009-Present

# COMMUNITY ACTION ADVISORY BOARD Attachment 2 **INVENTORY OF SEATS LIST**

Seat	NAME	SECTOR	App. Date	Exp. Date
1	Christina Lambert	PUBLIC SECTOR REPRESENTATIVE	01/15/2019	09/30/2021
2	Kevin L. Jones*	PUBLIC SECTOR REPRESENTATIVE	12/06/2016	09/30/2020
3	Vacant	PUBLIC SECTOR REPRESENTATIVE		
4	Vacant	PUBLIC SECTOR REPRESENTATIVE		
5	Mary R. Wilkerson*	PUBLIC SECTOR REPRESENTATIVE	02/06/2018	09/30/2020
6	Sandra Wright	PRIVATE SECTOR REPRESENTATIVE	02/04/2020	09/30/2022
7	Martina Walker	PRIVATE SECTOR REPRESENTATIVE	05/07/2019	09/30/2021
8	Vacant	PRIVATE SECTOR REPRESENTATIVE		
9	Carol Jones-Gilbert	PRIVATE SECTOR REPRESENTATIVE	08/20/2019	09/30/2021
10	Denise Brown	PRIVATE SECTOR REPRESENTATAIVE	05/05/2020	09/30/2022
11	Allie H. Biggs	REPRESENTATIVE OF THE LOW-INCOME	10/01/2018	09/30/2021
12	Georgia Gilbert	REPRESENTATIVE OF THE LOW-INCOME	10/08/2019	09/30/2022
13	Michelle C. Davis	REPRESENTATIVE OF THE LOW-INCOME	10/01/2018	09/30/2021
14	Retha Lowe	REPRESENTATIVE OF THE LOW-INCOME	10/01/2018	09/30/2021
15	Alma Atkins-Robinson	REPRESENTATIVE OF THE LOW-INCOME	10/01/2018	09/20/2021

<sup>\*</sup> indicates a member having an action pending

Revised: 10.06.20 by M.Imitola

Attachment 3

Attachment 1

RESOLUTION NO. R-2018-0372

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING R-2014-0588, PROVIDING FOR QUARTERLY MEETINGS OF THE COMMUNITY ACTION ADVISORY BOARD, PROVIDING FOR AMENDED ATTENDANCE POLICY, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners established the Community Action Council Advisory Board (Board) in 1974 to qualify Palm Beach County to receive Community Service Block Grant Funds; and

WHEREAS, the Board's membership was reconstituted pursuant to Ordinance No. 04-042, and on September 15, 2009, Ordinance No. 04-042 was replaced by Resolution 2009-1549, which established the Community Action Advisory Board (CAAB) and reduced CAAB's membership from 23 to 15; and

WHEREAS, on May 6, 2014, Resolution 2009-1549 was repealed and replaced with Resolution 2014-0588, which clarified the process for nominating and selecting members to serve on the CAAB, and updated various standard provisions to comply with County advisory board policy; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 2014-0588 provides that the CAAB shall meet "a minimum of ten (10) times a year"; and

WHEREAS, other Counties within Florida have adopted a model of quarterly meetings for Community Action Program advisory boards such as CAAB, which has proven effective to allow greater focus on board members' responsibilities to participate in implementation of programs designed to serve the poor or low income citizens of the County, while still allowing an opportunity to make recommendations concerning program plans, priorities, and budgets.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS OF PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, that:

- 1. The foregoing recitals are true and correct and are expressly incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof.
- Section 12: Meetings, paragraph A., of R-2014-0588 is amended to read in its entirety: The Advisory Board shall meet a minimum of four
   (4) times per program year, however, members may be required to

attend additional meetings.

- The second sentence of Section 14: Removal for Lack of Attendance, of R-2014-0588 is amended to read:
   Lack of attendance is defined as failure to attend three (3) consecutive meetings or failure to attend one-half of the meetings scheduled during a program year.
- 3. This resolution shall become effective upon adoption.

The foregoing Resolution was offered by Commissione	r Burdick
who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Comn	nissioner
Bernard , and upon being put to a vote, the vote wa	s as follows:
Commissioner Melissa McKinlay, Mayor -	Aye
Commissioner Mack Bernard, Vice Mayor-	Aye
Commissioner Hal R. Valeche -	Aye
Commissioner Paulette Burdick -	Aye
Commissioner Dave Kerner -	Aye
Commissioner Steven L. Abrams -	Aye
Commissioner Mary Lou Berger -	Aye
The Mayor thereupon declared the Resolution duly passed an	d adopted this
<u>l0th</u> day of <u>April</u> , 20 18	
PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSION	A, BY ITS
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#### RESOLUTION NO. R-2014-0588

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, DESIGNATING THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AS THE COMMUNITY ACTION COUNCIL. ESTABLISHING THE COMMUNITY ACTION ADVISORY BOARD; DESIGNATING THE COMMUNITY ACTION ADVISORY BOARD AS THE COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT ADVISORY COMMITTEE. PROVIDING FOR ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) requires that recipients of Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) funds comply with the Community Opportunities, Accountability, and Training and Educational Services Act of 1998, as amended; and

WHEREAS, Section 676B, (b)(1) of that Act requires that a public entity administer the program through a tripartite board composed of members representing the public, private, and low income sectors of the community; and

WHEREAS, the Community Services Block Grant provides funds for the reduction of poverty, the revitalization of low-income communities, and the empowerment of low-income families and individuals to become fully self-sufficient; and

WHEREAS, Palm Beach County through the Department of Community Services wishes to comply with HHS requirements regarding the Community Action Advisory Board; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners was previously designated as the Community Action council and the grantee for the CSBG program throught ordinances 74-20 and 04-042, which have been repealed; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to ordinances 74-20 and 04-042, a Community Action Council Administering Board was established.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, as follows:

# SECTION 1: DESIGNATION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AS THE COMMUNITY ACTION COUNCIL AND CSBG GRANTEE

The Board of County Commissioners is hereby designated as the Community Action Council and the grantee of CSBG funding received by Palm Beach County.

# SECTION 2: ESTABLISHMENT OF THE COMMUNITY ACTION ADVISORY BOARD AND DESIGNATION AS THE CSBG ADVISORY COMMITTEE

There is hereby established an advisory board to be known as the Community Action Advisory Board, herein referred to as the "Advisory Board." Said Advisory Board is also designated as the Community Services Block Grant Advisory Committee pursuant to the CSBG guidelines of the State of Florida Department of Economic Opportunity.

#### SECTION 3: COMPOSITION

- A. The Advisory Board shall be comprised of fifteen (15) members, as follows:
  - d) One-third (1/3) of the members of the Advisory Board shall be elected public officials holding office on the date of selection, or their representatives. A letter reaffirming agreement to serve as an Advisory Board member or delegation to a representative, signed by the elected official, shall be required each year until the official's elective term ends.
  - 2) Not fewer than one-third (1/3) of the members of the Advisory Board shall be persons chosen in accordance with democratic selection procedures adequate to assure that they are representatives of low income individuals and families in the target neighborhood served. Each representative of the low-income sector selected to represent a specific target neighborhood within the community must reside in the neighborhood served. The county will define what constitutes a target neighborhood.
  - 3) The remainder of the members of the Advisory Board shall be persons who can bring pertinent and significant resources from the private sector to the Community Action mission of assisting low income persons to acquire greater control over their lives and to increase their degree of self-sufficiency.

#### SECTION 4: APPOINTMENTS, TERMS, VACANCIES AND COMPOSITIONS

- A. All members of the Advisory Board shall be residents of Palm Beach County, Florida at the time of appointment and while serving on the Advisory Board.
- B. Terms of office for the Advisory Board members shall be three (3) year terms. An individual may serve three (3) consecutive full terms. Terms shall begin on October 1 and end on September 30.
- C. Terms shall be staggered such that one-third (1/3) of the advisory board members shall be selected each year.
- D. Nominations shall be requested by County staff upon adoption of this resolution and generally every year thereafter in a manner that will provide for appointment or reappointment prior to the term expiration. The public sector members are appointed by the Board of County Commissioners, a democratic selection process will be held to fill seats from the low-income sector, the Advisory Board will recommend individuals to fill the seats for the private sector. All nominations shall be approved by the Board of County Commissioners.
- E. A vacancy occurring during a term shall be filled for the unexpired term and in the manner prescribed above.
- F. All Advisory Board members serve at the pleasure of the Board of County Commissioners.
- G. Members appointed pursuant to Section 3.A1 will no longer be eligible to serve on the advisory Board If they, or the elected official they represent, no longer hold elected public office.

#### SECTION 5: AUTHORITY

- A. The Advisory Board shall have the authority and power to advise the Board of County Commissioners on the development, planning, implementation and evaluation of the CSBG program to serve low-income communities.
- B. Members shall be subject to the rules and procedures of the Advisory Board, if rules and procedures are created, and to the overall authority of the Board of County Commissioners of Palm Beach County, Florida.

# SECTION 6: SUNSHINE LAW AND STATE CODE OF ETHICS

The Advisory Board must comply with the Sunshine Law and State Code of Ethics. Reasonable public notice of all board meetings shall be provided. All meetings of the board shall be open to the public at all times and minutes shall be taken at each meeting.

# SECTION 7: PALM BEACH COUNTY CODE OF ETHICS

Advisory Board members are to comply with the applicable provisions of the Palm Beach County Code of Ethics as codified in Section 2-254 through 2-260 of the Palm Beach County Code.

SECTION 8: TRAVEL EXPENSES, REIMBURSEMENT AND APPROVAL AUTHORITY
Travel reimbursement is limited to expenses incurred only for travel outside Palm Beach
County necessary to fulfill board member responsibilities when sufficient funds have been
budgeted and are available as set forth in PPM CW-O-038. No other expenses are
reimbursable except documented long distance phone calls to the liaison County department.
Approval authority for pre-authorized board member travel is designated to the County
Administrator and Deputy County Administrator and shall be in accordance with
PPM CW-F-009.

SECTION 9: ELIGIBILITY TO SERVE

County employees, other than Commissioners Aides, are not eligible to serve on the Advisory Board unless the County employee is an elected official within Palm Beach County and is nominated for inclusion on the board by an entity other than the Board of County Commissioners. Employees of other units of local government may not represent their respective governments on boards, unless otherwise provided by statute or other rule of law. Former Board of County Commissioners members may not be appointed to the Advisory Board for at least two (2) years following their last day in office as a County Commissioner.

SECTION 10: QUALIFICATION AS A CANDIDATE

Advisory Board members shall not be prohibited from qualifying as a candidate for elected office.

#### SECTION 11: RESPONSIBILITIES

The responsibilities of the Community Action Advisory Board shall include the following:

- A. Conduct regular assessments of the circumstances of low income individuals and families and of the resources available and needed in the community to support movement by low income persons toward greater self-sufficiency;
- B. Create a forum for citizen participation that maximizes participation of those served so as to best stimulate and take full advantage of capabilities for self-advancement and assure that programs and projects are meaningful to and widely utilized by their intended beneficiaries:
- C. Participate fully in the development and implementation of programs and projects designed to serve the poor or low income citizens of the county;
- D. Review and recommend programs and projects for the use of the CSBG funds;
- E. Foster and promote cooperation between governmental agencies, community-based non-governmental non-profit organizations and business interests in order to achieve the goals and outcomes of community action plans;
- F. Submit an annual report to the board of county commissioners on activities undertaken and accomplishments made during the preceding year;
- G. Receive reasonable advance notice of, and an opportunity to make recommendations, concerning:
  - 1) Appointment of the program coordinator;
  - 2) Determination of overall program plans and priorities;
  - 3) Approval of program proposals and budgets:
  - 4) Enforcement of compliance with all conditions of federal and state grants;
  - 5) Corrective measures to remove roadblocks affecting program implementation;
  - 6) Determination, subject to federal, state, and local regulations and policies, of rules of procedure for the advisory board;
  - 7) Any changes to this Resolution. In the event that the Advisory Board determines a public meeting is necessary to address any changes to this Resolution, said public meeting will be arranged prior to submission of any such change to the board of county commissioners.
- H. To perform such other duties as may be from time to time assigned by the Board of County Commissioners.

#### **SECTION 12: MEETINGS**

- A. The Advisory Board shall meet a minimum of ten (10) times a year, however, members may be required to attend additional meetings.
- B. A majority of the members appointed shall constitute a quorum for the conduct of the Advisory Board's business.
- C. In the presence of a quorum, Advisory Board business shall be conducted by a vote of a majority present and be governed by Robert's Rules of Order.
- D. The Chair shall have the authority to call emergency meetings, as is needed and appropriate, by informing members at least three days in advance.
- E. Public notice of all Advisory Board meetings shall be provided consistent with the requirements of the Florida Department of Community Affairs and Florida laws, and all such meetings shall be open to the public at all times.

## **SECTION 13: OFFICERS**

A chair, vice-chair, and secretary shall be elected by a majority vote of the administering board and shall serve for a term of one (1) year, but not to exceed two (2) consecutive terms in any one (1) office.

- A. Duties of the Chair:
  - 1) Call and set the agenda for Advisory Board meetings;
  - 2) Preside at Advisory Board meetings;
  - 3) Establish committees, appoint committee chairs and charge committees with specific tasks;
  - 4) Serve as primary liaison with program staff; and
  - Perform other functions as the Advisory Board may assign by rule or order.

- B. The Vice Chair shall perform the duties of the Chair in the Chair's absence, and such other duties as the Chair may assign.
- C. The Secretary shall be responsible for Board record-keeping and documentation.

Vacancies in any officer position shall be filled for the remainder of the term by the Advisory Board.

## SECTION 14: REMOVAL FOR LACK OF ATTENDANCE

Members of the Advisory Board shall be automatically removed for lack of attendance. Lack of attendance is defined as failure to attend three (3) consecutive meetings or failure to attend more than one-half of the meetings scheduled during a program year. Participation for less than three-fourths of a meeting shall constitute lack of attendance. Members removed under this paragraph shall not continue to serve until a new appointment is made and removal shall create a vacancy.

#### SECTION 15: EFFECTIVE DATE

This Resolution shall become effective upon approval by a majority vote of the Board of County Commissioners, Palm Beach County, Florida.

The foregoing Resolution was offered by Commissioner <u>Burdick</u>, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner <u>Abrams</u>, and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Priscilla A. Taylor, Mayor	Aye
Commissioner Paulette Burdick, Vice Mayor	Aye
Commissioner Hal R. Valeche	Ауе
Commissioner Shelley Vana	Aye
Commissioner Steven L. Abrams	Ауе
Commissioner Mary Lou Berger	Aye
Commissioner Jess R. Santamaria	Aye

The Mayor thereupon declared the Resolution duly passed and adopted this <u>6th</u> day of May 2014.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY

ATTEST: SHARON R. BOCK, CLERK & COMPTROLLER

FLORIDA

Tammy K. Fields

Sr. Assistant County Attorney

Deputy Clerk