

Mayor's Commission for Children Minutes

October 13th, 2020 8 a.m.

Zoom call

Members present: Christy Davis, Missy Riley, Jennifer McClure, Linda Saturno, Monica Horton, Chris Jarratt, Dr. Elizabeth Andrews, Susie Henderson. Absent: Brandy Harris

Advisory Council present: John Chastain, Dr. Doug McNeal, Dr. Kayce Morton, Gerry Lee, Jennifer Baker, Rinda Davis, Jan Fisk, Amy Chenoweth, Alexis Brown.

Chairman Susie Henderson opened the meeting at 8 a.m. and asked for approval of minutes. Christy Davis made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Monica Horton second that motion. Minutes were approved by the Commission.

Dr. Elizabeth Andrews introduced out speaker Dr. Diane Lipscomb, Medical Director of Pediatric Admissions at Merc. Diane shared what she was seeing in the pediatric population admissions to the hospital and clinic. Dr. Kayce Morton also reported on the cases in the Cox system. To date we have had very few admitted to the hospital with Covid. Around 20 have been admitted with two to three with severe respiratory illness. We have not seen one case of the Multisystem Inflammatory Syndrome in Children. We have been fortunate so far but the teams at both hospitals are prepared should those symptoms start presenting in pediatric patients.

Discussion about the Vaccine was promising. Still being Vetted and Tested in Children.

Gerry Lee gave us an update on the firms that had been narrowed down to conduct the Superintendent search. Announcement coming later this week from SPS regarding a four day in person instruction for K-2 first and other grades to follow excluding High School

Our next meeting on November 10th will be scheduled with Representative Crystal Quade, Minority leader, to talk about the election of new leaders at the state level and work that will continue on Children's issues.