

# Seniors, Youth & Intergenerational Services

# **BOL Meeting Minutes -**

Committee Chana Jose Alvarado

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Monday, March 8, 2021

10:00 AM

**Committee Room** 

# **CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting joint with the Committee on Budget & Appropriations.

With a quorum present, Chair Alvarado called the meeting to order at 10:10 AM.

Pursuant to Governor Andrew Cuomo's Executive Order No. 202.1, "Continuing Temporary Suspension and Modification of Laws Relating to the Disaster Emergency," which temporarily suspends portions of the New York State Open Meetings Law.

A section of the order, "Suspension of law allowing the attendance of meetings telephonically or other similar services," provides for the suspension of "Article 7 of the Public Officers Law, to the extent necessary to permit any public body to meet and take such actions authorized by the law without permitting in public in-person access to meetings and authorizing such meetings to be held remotely by conference call or similar service, provided that the public has the ability to view or listen to such proceeding and that such meetings are recorded and later transcribed."

Others in Attendance: Alessandra Restiano, Legislator Smith, Legislator Borgia

BOL Remote: Yolanda Valencia,

Remote: Dr. DaMia Harris-Madden, Bernie Dean, Youth Bureau

Present: Legislator Boykin

Absent: Legislator Williams

Remote: Legislator Alvarado, Legislator Tubiolo and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

### **MINUTES APPROVAL**

#### I. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

ACT-2021-35 ACT-Resource Allocation Plan 2020-Youth Services

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to execute and submit to the State of New York a Resource Allocation Plan which will provide State reimbursement for certain youth services programs.

Submitted by COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND SENIORS, YOUTH & INTERGENERATIONAL SERVICES

Guest:

Dr. DaMia Harris Madden
Executive Director
Westchester County Youth Bureau

Dr. DaMia Harris-Madden, Executive Director and Bernie Dean of the Youth Bureau came before the joint committees to discuss item # 2021-184- ACT Resource Allocations Plan 2020 - Youth Services. This is an Act that will authorize the County to execute and submit to NYS a resource allocation plan, which will qualify the County for certain State reimbursement through the Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) for the program year commencing January 1, 2020 and terminating December 31, 2020. for certain youth services programs and related administrative services. The total aggregate reimbursement to the County under the PLan will be \$931,013. The County will administer funds on behalf of the OCFS for the following streams, Youth Development Programming and Runaway and Homeless youth Act Funding. Under the plan, OCFS has the right to modify the services or budgets; they may withhold approval for reimbursement for youth programs included in the event of noncompliance. Dr. Harris- Madden explained that they did not receive the funding until January and authority from the State to move forward. They just need approval of the Board to receive the reimbursement.

On motion of Legislator Alvarado, seconded by Legislator Tubiolo, the above item was signed by committee to the Board of Legislators. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Legislator Alvarado, Legislator Tubiolo and Legislator Boykin

**Absent:** Legislator Williams

Away: Legislator Woodson-Samuels

#### II. OTHER BUSINESS

## III. RECEIVE & FILE

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

On motion of Legislator Alvarado, seconded by Legislator Boykin, the Committee adjourned at 11:14 AM.