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MEETING OF JUNE 20, 2007**

The Metro-Miami Action Plan Trust (MMAP) convened a meeting at the Office of MMAP Trust Board, 19 West Flagler Street, Mezzanine Room #106, on June 20, 2007 at 12:00 Noon, there being present: Chairperson John T. Jones, Jr. and Members: Mr. Arthur J. Barnes, Mr. Tony E. Crapp, Jr., Mr. Herbert Robinson, Dr. Marzell Smith, (Members: Ms. Veldrin Freemon, Mr. Kuehne Benedict, Ms. Lovin Greicy and Mr. Daniel A. Wick, Jr. were late; Members: Ms. Marie B. Hyppolite and Ms. Beverly Kovach were absent.)

ROLL CALL:

Staff members present were: Mr. Milton Vickers, Executive Director; Mr. John Dixon, MMAP Trust Deputy Director; Ms. Marlene Blanco; Ms. Melba Gasque; Mr. Jose Gonzalez; Mr. Joey Walker; Mr. Anthony Williams; and Deputy Clerk Karen Leonard.

DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

QUERY FOR EARLY DEPARTURES

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES (April 25, 2007)

Hearing no objections or comments, it was moved by Mr. Barnes that the April 25, 2007 Trust meeting minutes be approved. This motion was seconded by Mr. Crapp, and upon being put to a vote, passed by a unanimous vote of those members present.

I. TRUST ACTION ITEMS

A. Committee Action Items

- 1. Housing**
- 2. Education**
- 3. Criminal Justice**
- 4. Community and Economic Development**
- 5. Legislative**
- 6. Budget**

B. Additional Action Items

- 1. MMAP Program Marketing plan Comments & approval**
- 2. Florida Financial Student Program**

Mr. Vickers noted that after reviewing the curriculum for the Florida Financial Student Program, it would be appropriate that the program be placed at the MLK Academy.

Mr. Bernard Lee, representing the Florida Financial Student Program, appeared before the Trust and introduced his colleagues, Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Arneaud. He noted that 30 years of experience was among them regarding non-violence, economics for youth and involvement with the community.

Mr. Arneaud appeared before the Trust and provided an overview of the services that would be performed by Florida Financial and concurred that a diversionary program was the best way to address the existing issues concerning the youth.

Mrs. Arneaud appeared before the Trust and reviewed the curriculum proposed for sixth through ninth grade students, including information on financial credit, housing, financial literacy and ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) when English was not the student's primary language. She also noted that tutoring for the FCAT would be implemented using resources approved by Miami Dade Public Schools. Mrs. Arneaud outlined the curriculum's five point series as follows: 1) Introduction to Budgeting, 2) Making Money, 3) Your Friends, 4) Seminar for Parents, and 5) The Stock Market.

Chairperson Jones pointed out that Teen Court students provided 491 hours of community service for the month of May and noted he met with the School Board regarding crime prevention and the occurrence of gang killings. He further noted that since the MMAP Agency was in collaboration with the Teen Court program, a response, rather than a reaction to these issues would be more appropriate. Chairperson Jones noted a strategy on how to connect with these individuals by collaborating more with the Taskforce was needed. He stated the majority of these individuals were school drop-outs, indicating education was an issue.

Mr. Vickers noted that the program would be conducted on site with the Teen Court Program, as well as the South Dade Government Center. He noted each Teen Court student would enroll in the six-week program and attend a seminar. Mr. Vickers noted that MMAP's projected goal was for every student to complete this program.

Chairperson Jones spoke of collaborative efforts that needed to be established with the Teen Court, Task Force and neighboring counties, rather than this issue being individually addressed.

Responding to Mr. Barnes' question regarding how the program was monitored, Mrs. Arneaud explained that the original program was created as a summer session and would need to be expanded.

Additionally, Chairperson Jones noted that collaborative efforts of the MMAP Agency would eventually require working with department stores and super markets. He pointed out that previous discussions were held pertaining to the unemployment ratio, and noted students needed to be trained for this economy which would reduce their participation in unlawful activities.

Mr. Crapp stated that at the MMAP Executive Committee meeting, representatives of the Florida Financial Program said a seminar was provided on behalf of Commissioner Jordan. He noted that a variety of people and all the constituents that the MMAP Agency served could benefit from this program, rather than just the students from Teen Court. Mr. Crapp asked whether the Florida Financial Program would be willing to provide in-kind seminars collaborating with the MMAP Agency at the yearly events in order for the program to benefit MMAP Agency's clients.

Mr. Lee expressed willingness, as a representative of Florida Financial, to work with the MMAP Agency and become more involved with its community events.

Mr. Vickers noted that after the Executive Committee meeting, this item was reconsidered due to an agreement to provide some pro bono workshops upon approval of the Board.

It was moved by Ms. Lovin that the Trust approve the partnership between the MMAP Agency and the Florida Financial Student Program to work with the Teen Court program. This motion

was seconded by Mr. Crapp, and upon being put to vote passed 8-0. (Trust members Ms. Hyppolite, Ms. Kovach, and Mr. Kuehne were absent.)

II. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S ACTION ITEMS

- A. Teen Court Ordinance Amendment**
- B. Psychological Services for MLK, Jr. Academy**
- C. MLK Academy Scope Expansion and Service Delivery**
- D. Housing Step-Up Initiative**

III. TRUST INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. Committee Information Items**
 - 1. Housing**
 - 2. Education**
 - 3. Criminal Justice**
 - 4. Community and Economic Development**
 - 5. Legislative**
 - 6. Budget**

IV. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Teen Court Monthly Report

At the request of Mr. Vickers, MMAP staff member Anthony Williams gave a brief monthly comprehensive report for May 2007 on the Teen Court Program. He noted that the MMAP's Public Information Division assisted the Miami-Dade County Teen Court (MDCTC) with the creation of the Volunteer Youth Attorney Training flyer and advised that the training program would be held at St. Thomas University on June 28th and 29th 2007. He noted this event was in collaboration with the Carol City Senior High School Center of Legal and Public Affairs Magnet.

Mr. Williams stated that the participants in the Teen Court program provided community service with the Teen Court, as well as with outside organizations. Concerning Chairperson Jones' question regarding how the number of community hours were determined, Mr. Williams noted the students were responsible for identifying the location and the hours were approved by a case worker based on the offense.

Mr. Crapp requested the Trust broadcast a similar discussion on the "Coffee Talk" radio talk show in West Perrine, regarding diversionary and male issues. He noted this would provide an educational-type mentoring initiative and mentioned that previous talk shows received a lot of feedback from the community.

Mr. Vickers noted two weeks ago, the students from the MLK Academy attended the annual Black History Tour with other students from the South Dade district and asked Mr. Williams to give a brief update.

Mr. Williams noted that on June 3, 2007, 40 students from the MLK Academy departed on the Black History Tour and the first stop was at the Kennedy Space Center.

Mr. Vickers asked the MMAP staff to make their presentation on the Black History Tour.

MMAF staff member, Mr. Walker referenced an article published in the Westside Gazette newspaper in Tennessee regarding the Black History Tour. He presented a copy of the article and noted that in route to Memphis, Tennessee the CBS television station aired a story featuring the students, and advised that a copy of the taping had been requested. Mr. Walker also noted that a collaborative effort was made with the Miami Herald's Neighbors newspaper to publish an article and photographs of the students on tour last year.

Following the MLK Academy Black History Tour video presentation, Chairperson Jones noted Miami Heat Basketball Team's star player, Mr. Shakeel O'Neil, had contacted the MMAF Trust and expressed his willingness to participate and support the MMAF Trust next year. He also noted that Mr. O'Neil would meet with the students from MLK Academy next week during his work related to a fitness academy with overweight children and that a bus would transport the MLK Academy students to that location.

Ms. Freemon and other members of the Trust commended Mr. Walker on his presentation. Additionally, Mr. Vickers commended the teachers and the volunteers from the Miami-Dade Police Department, who chaperoned the students during the trip, noting there had been no disciplinary issues.

Responding to Ms. Freemon's question regarding Trust members' participation, Chairperson Jones noted Trust members were always welcomed to participate.

Discussion ensued among Trust members regarding several museums and events around the country that the students visited for the purpose of providing more exposure for the MMAF Trust.

Chairperson Jones explained that the plan to work with the Mercedes Benz Corporation to display their vehicles at the Golden Flake Company had not been possible due to the limited time available to set up. Additionally, he noted that the Golden Flake Company would educate the students on nutrition and the process of production which coincided with the MMAF Trust's intent to expose the students to more technology as well as interfacing with the Department of Navy.

Discussion ensued among Trust members regarding initiating steps to establish collaborative relationships with other organizations such as the Flight Museum and Mercedes Benz. Chairperson Jones noted the possibility of enlisting Congressman Meeks' assistance to coordinate the MMAF Trust with the Flight Museum.

Mr. Vickers stated he anticipated that next year the MMAF Agency would receive a grant from the Tommy Hilfiger Foundation and noted this information appeared as an agenda item from a previous meeting; consequently, more information should be available by the July 2007 Board Retreat. He noted that, for security purposes, approximately \$15,000.00 of the sponsorship money would be used to color coordinate daily attire for the students who attended the Black History Tour, and the other \$10,000.00 would be used for miscellaneous repairs at the MLK Academy facility.

Chairperson Jones noted that representatives from the City of Pittsburgh expressed interest in interfacing with the MMAF Trust regarding the Black History Tour. He stated that Mayor

Alvarez had spoken, last week, with the City of Pittsburgh's representative who expressed interest in initiating a similar project and requested to meet with the MMAP Trust and review its development process.

Dr. Smith referenced the list of activities at the MLK Academy on page 34 of the Agenda packet, and emphasized the importance of the first item listing the 3.1 level (grade) average on the FCAT Prompt Writing. He referred to Attachment "A", page 36, which identified the best students by grade and subject for the year 2006 – 2007. Dr. Smith stated that he was unaware of the level of learning in other schools, but that the MLK Academy was in the leading position academically. Dr. Smith asked Mr. Vickers whether there was any progress in obtaining additional staff for the MLK Academy and noted the downsize of employment last year was probably the reason for the increased cost for maintenance of the building. He gave an example of how staff members had assisted in other areas due to lack of staff and commended Ms. Campbell in her absence for her efforts in this area.

Mr. Vickers noted that the staff was comprised and based on the MLK Academy's financial status. He noted he had met with the MLK Academy's Director, Mr. Tarrau, regarding the staff requirements for the summer session and anticipated 131 students would attend and four teachers would be sufficient staff. Consequently, this was the reason additional revenue needed to be generated for the school.

Mr. Vickers stated that the past enrollment of students for the summer session was as high as 170 and it was possible that the reduced pledges would reflect the current number of students which was 150. He noted that only seven alternative schools were in operation this year, in lieu of the 13 last year, which included schools operated by Miami-Dade County.

Mr. Vickers noted that the budget could possibly continue declining and in terms of recruiting teachers, the coming year would be limited because of issues regarding teacher certifications. He noted the Trust would be provided an update on this item.

Concerning Mr. Barnes' question regarding whether the ratio of 35 students to a teacher was the standard, Mr. Vickers noted that Director Tarrau informed him that it was appropriate. He stated that Mr. Tarrau was advised that the option to request additional teachers was available if an increase of students occurred, but the commitment to five teachers without enough students for an additional class would be inappropriate.

Discussion ensued among the Trust members regarding the Miami-Dade County School classrooms, which averaged approximately 44 students each and needed smaller classrooms.

In response to Mr. Wick's question regarding whether the Foundation was active and whether there could be a discussion regarding this issue at the next Trust meeting, Chairperson Jones asked Mr. Barnes to provide a report on the Foundation at the next Trust meeting.

Additionally, Mr. Wick noted that in terms of the number of Trust members, the membership had decreased to nine members and he asked the status of recruitment.

Mr. Dixon stated that a notice was received from the Clerk's Office regarding a Nominating Council, that a letter was sent to each Council member, and a pool of 16 resumes for candidates would be reviewed.

Mr. Vickers noted that the Trust needed to advertise the Trust member vacancies with terms that would expire in July.

Concerning Mr. Crapp's inquiry of whether all the advertisements could be handled immediately, Chairperson Jones noted the Council would handle the vacancies that were open now and advertise pending vacancies at a later date.

Discussion ensued among the Trust members regarding the 12 vacancies for Trust members.

Mr. Dixon noted that part of the delay was related to the memorandum regarding the nominees that was received from the Mayor's office which was documented incorrectly and had to be re-written.

Mr. Vickers also noted that the Mayor's office had instituted background checks on the nominees which required additional time.

Dr. Smith questioned the status of the Evaluation Committee's report regarding the Executive Director that had been pending for three months. He noted that Mr. Kuehne was added as a committee member; but he was unaware of any progress. He emphasized the importance of following up on these items that were documented in the records.

Chairperson Jones noted that the item was a Committee function and a meeting date would be set and then the item would be forwarded to the Trust for discussion.

B. Housing Monthly Report

MMAP staff member Mr. Eric Johnson provided a brief overview of the monthly Housing report and noted that a housing event, "Parade of Homes," was held at the El Palacia Hotel featured approximately 40 vendors and community attendance totaled 150. Consequently, the South Dade event would be held on June 23, 2007 and would be sponsored by Delmar Homes. He noted that the North Dade event received positive feedback which was an extremely big event for the Homeowners Assistance Program.

Additionally, Mr. Vickers emphasized the success of the Parade of Homes event and noted that the MMAP staff was unable to handle the large number of incoming phone calls. He noted that a request was submitted to the County to use the 3-1-1 information system to handle the emails and phone calls. Mr. Vickers noted that he expected the Florida City event to be well-attended. He noted that the event provided free credit checks for potential homebuyers, and that realtors, brokers and developers were available, as well as Commissioner Barbara Jordan. Mr. Vickers commended the housing staff for their efforts regarding the event.

Concerning Mr. Barnes' question regarding the process and MMAP working with the certified brokers, Mr. Johnson noted that the first time homebuyer would be educated by the Broker and the lenders would provide a list of homes that would be posted on their Website. He noted that

the MMAP staff was not responsible for the assigned lender and the prospective buyer would interact with the lender.

In response to Mr. Barnes' question regarding the number of potential buyers, Mr. Vickers noted that the numbers could be retrieved from Housing Finance.

Mr. Barnes emphasized the importance of documenting the number of individuals who became homeowners as a historical record of the MMAP Agency's accomplishments.

Chairperson Jones noted that this was one of the best housing events to date, and he would like to see more of this kind, which he anticipated would attract a lot of participation.

Mr. Vickers expressed concern regarding foreclosures and the need for financial institutions to provide solutions. He noted that Commissioner Edmondson would collaborate with a focus group to address this issue and he was working on getting individuals together.

Chairperson Jones said that the framework of this focus group needed to be identified at the next meeting.

Mr. Kuehne asked whether an opportunity was provided to receive sponsorship from the vendors at the event in order to expand the MMAP Agency's services. He encouraged MMAP staff members to meet with the Housing Finance Department.

Concerning Mr. Kuehne's inquiry regarding a report of \$30,000.00 and the use of funds, Mr. Vickers noted that the sponsorship totaled \$50,000.00 for both North and South Dade.

Chairperson Jones noted vendors provided raffle giveaways, which included cash prizes and a good relationship, was established.

Mr. Kuehne asked about participation from the Miami Herald Newspaper and other media outlets and noted that, in terms of marketing efforts, this event was a good opportunity for the MMAP Trust to demonstrate its leadership in the housing industry.

C. Fiscal Management Report

D. Public Information

E. Criminal Justice Report

F. MLK Academy Monthly Report

G. Coffee Talk Series Update

H. South Dade Initiative Update

I. TECO Plant Report

Concerning Chairperson Jones' question regarding the status of the TECO Plant Report, Mr. Vickers noted that the report had been finalized and a memorandum was being prepared to be presented to Commissioner Edmonson and was a part of the Trust's information packet.

J. Financial Department Report (MMAP's Performance)

ADD-ON ITEMS REPORT:

Scope Expansion and Service Delivery for MLK Academy

Chairperson Jones announced that an add-on item was submitted requesting the scope expansion and service delivery of the MLK Academy and a handout was distributed to the Trust members. He noted that the recommendation in the memorandum was to designate the MLK Academy as a Diversionary Program in order to access Teen Court dollars for administrative costs.

Mr. Vickers noted the amount requested should not exceed \$150,000.00 and would be based on the number of students assigned to the MLK Academy who committed an act of violence or property damage in the school. Those students would be referred through the Teen Court Program to the Academy, he noted. Consequently, this would allow case management at the school plus additional psychological services.

Mr. Vickers noted the MMAP Trust would provide some psychological services, but this would be provided at a broader range of services through Teen Court at the school. Mr. Vickers noted that the intention of this recommendation was not to use the entire \$150,000.00 for this purpose, but would also cover some administrative cost and assist in consolidating the Teen Court locations.

The MMAP staff had been instructed to determine the feasibility of moving the Teen Court program into the MLK Academy facility and issuing payment for rent from a portion of those funds as well, noted Mr. Vickers. He stated that relocating the Teen Court program to the Academy and using those funds to pay rent would not require this item to be brought back before the Board for approval. He noted that presently rent was being paid for two locations in the South District and the North Dade facility.

Dr. Smith expressed concern with the recommendation to designate the MLK Academy as a Diversionary Program under the present system.

Chairperson Jones recommended the Trust request that the Alternative Education Department (AED) identify the number of students referred to the Academy who were in a diversionary program. He noted students needed to be identified who were from the School Board's Civil Citation Program and the Teen Court Program or from the Judicial Courts as well. He noted he anticipated the AED would support the recommendation since 40% of students came through the Court system.

Chairperson Jones also recommended the foregoing item be deferred pending a meeting with the AED to present a proposal and identify the percentage of students that came through the various entities of the Court system. He asked that the Executive Director request a written response from the Teen Court regarding the number of students and subsequently include the document in the MMAP proposal to be forwarded to Assistant County Attorney Shannon Summerset.

Dr. Smith expressed concern with this proposal since it was pertaining to the AED as one entity and that the MMAP Trust would have moved into unknown territory changing from an alternative to a Diversionary Program. He said the idea was good; however, the outcome would depend upon the approach used to bridge the two programs together. Dr. Smith noted that MLK Academy had an educational curriculum that required certain number of hours per subject and modifying those hours would present an issue.

Dr. Smith noted that the Trust needed to submit a copy of the proposal already before the Dade County Public School to Assistant County Attorney Summerset. He noted he was unaware of whether Ms. Summerset was informed that a Diversionary Program had been created. Dr. Smith spoke on taking precautions since the Request for Proposal (RFP) was for an alternative program and a proposal was not brought before the Trust to submit a RFP for a diversionary program.

Concerning Mr. Robinson's question that since the MLK Academy provided an alternative program whether the involvement with the Teen Court would qualify as a diversionary program, Dr. Smith noted that the Trust needed to seek approval from the Teen Court Legislation. Discussion ensued among the Trust members regarding the Teen Court Diversionary Program and the process of submitting the RFP.

Chairperson Jones noted that a discussion at the Taskforce meeting regarding the Dade County School Board to look at a collaboration of all those programs that would impact the alternative schools. He stated the Trust needed feedback from the School Board and an approval of an amended agreement due to the existing contract that the MMAP Trust had negotiated to operate an alternative school. Chairperson Jones also stated that the MMAP Trust had not used monies from the Teen Court Budget in this manner and the proposal was to use some of the \$150,000.00 to defray the administrative cost but not solely for that purpose.

Mr. Vickers noted that this item would be brought back before the Trust and part of the dilemma was related to Legislation that included an additional \$2.00 for the Teen Court fee which was not passed. He noted that the 25% that was already in the statute was looked at; however, it would not cover Teen Court. He advised that he wanted to determine what the parameters were from the Controller's office and Clerk of Courts, which collected the fees. Mr. Vickers stated that the MMAP staff would further investigate how to provide the MLK Academy students with the same Teen Court services and the procedure to merge the two operations.

Dr. Smith pointed out that in the past, the MLK Academy had the Teen Court students and the staff members participate in the evening sessions without interfering with the regular academic curriculum. He noted he expected that the Assistant County Attorney would review both the proposal submitted to the School Board and the Teen Court in order to advise legally how to bridge the two together.

Assistant County Attorney Summerset stated that within the past two weeks, her office had been in contact with the MMAP staff reviewing the legal issues related to the Teen Court and would continue until it was resolved.

Congressional Black Caucus Contribution

Mr. Vickers noted that in the past, the MMAP Trust had implemented a Congressional Reception within the Congressional Black Caucus (CBC) event. The revenue for this event was donated by contributors, he noted. Mr. Vickers expressed concern regarding finances and noted that the choice to not sponsor the event would be better based on the number of private contributors.

Mr. Vickers stated that this item was a recommendation that the remaining budget totaling \$22,000.00, was discussed with the CBC staff and it was determined that a contribution of these funds should go to the Alternative Program of the Dade County Public Schools.

Concerning Mr. Crapp's question regarding an issue with accepting contributions, Mr. Vickers noted that in the past, review of the invoicing process was difficult; therefore, the MMAP Agency proceeded to use one vendor and to submit one invoice. In terms of administration, Mr. Vickers asked that the Trust discontinue the use of multiple vendors.

There being no further discussion regarding this matter, it was moved by Mr. Crapp that the Trust approve a transfer of funds in the amount of \$22,000.00 from the MMAP Trust Account to the Miami-Dade County School Board's Alternative Program, depleting the remaining balance of contributions received to support the Congressional Black Caucus. This motion was seconded by Mr. Wick, and upon being put to vote, passed 7-0. (Trust members Ms. Hyppolite, Ms. Kovach, Dr. Smith and Mr. Kuehne were absent.)

MMAP/HFA Step-Up Initiative

Mr. Vickers noted that the foregoing proposed Memorandum of Approval (MOA) was approved by the Board at the MMAP Trust meeting held on January 17, 2007 and was a collaborative with the Housing Finance Authority (HFA). He spoke of the first closing of the collaboration which took place last week and of one issue related to HFA. Mr. Vickers noted that since the original MOA did not include terms of expenditures not-to-exceed for the program, consequently, the HFA would not provide the \$25,000 to assist with the closing cost, he noted. However, the MMAP Agency had reached an agreement with the HFA to cover the cost and MMAP would amend the MOA with the appropriate terms to include the language "...not-to-exceed \$500,000.00, contingent upon the availability of funds..." noted Mr. Vickers.

Discussion ensued among the Trust members regarding the Step-Up Program and another MOA for the School Board Initiative.

It was moved by Ms. Lovin that the Trust approve an amendment to the Housing Step-Up Initiative MOA dated January 17, 2007, to include the total allocation not-to-exceed \$500,000.00, contingent upon the availability of funds; and to authorize staff to reimburse the HFA in the amount of \$25,000. This motion was seconded by Ms. Freemon, and upon being put to vote, passed 8-0. (Trust members Ms. Hyppolite, Ms. Kovach, and Mr. Kuehne were absent.)

Chairperson Jones noted that in terms of public relations, the school initiative was supported by the Commission and upon preceding forward the Trust could accomplish a lot with the long term collaboration established with the School Board.

Mr. Vickers noted that the MMAP Agency was scheduled to attend a Housing Fair event next month, July 2007, with Miami-Dade Public Schools (MDPS). Additionally, he noted that, at the request of Commissioner Edmonson, last week the MMAP Agency appeared before the Miami-Dade County School Board and the Zone School Initiative was approved by the Miami-Dade County Public School Board.

Peace in the Hood Festival

Mr. Crapp requested that the Trust discuss the course of action regarding the "Peace in the Hood Festival" event for this year.

Mr. Vickers noted that based on the material received, the sponsorship maximum amount totaled \$2,500.00 and the range was \$500.00 to \$2,500.00; however, in the past the MMAP

contributions were as high as \$10,000.00, which covered the cost of police personnel at the event.

Chairperson Jones noted that in the Executive Committee meeting this item was reviewed and the Trust determined a figure amount within that range.

Mr. Vickers noted the Executive Committee determined that under the Executive Director's approved expenditures the \$2,500.00 sponsorship would be within that range. However, the representatives of the Peace in the Hood Festival had submitted a request for additional funding, he noted.

Following discussion, Chairperson Jones recommended a presentation be prepared for the July MMAP Trust meeting as an Agenda Item so it could be appropriately addressed. He noted the issue with making a decision today (6/20) was because the item was not on the agenda, nor was any paperwork or documentation presented. Chairperson Jones again recommended that the Trust wait until the next meeting to look at the proposal which would become a part of the agenda record.

In response to Mr. Crapp's question to verify the sponsorship amount, Chairperson Jones noted that the decision would be made in July.

Florida international University Disparity Study

In response to Chairperson Jones' question regarding the Disparity Study performed by Florida International University (FIU), Mr. Vickers said, based on a recent discussion, he anticipated that the study would be completed before the Trust Board Retreat. Mr. Vickers asked to meet with Mr. Jones regarding the agenda for the Board Retreat to determine whether to include this as an agenda item.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further comments or questions the meeting was adjourned at 2:26 p.m.

John T. Jones, Jr., Chairperson
Metro Miami Action Plan Trust