



FCC Collaborative Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, June 13, 2023

Attendees:

Lena Brathwaite Bell - Chair, FCC Leadership Team	April Jeans - Executive Director	Scott Bryan - Tribune & Georgian	Laurel Sphar - St. Marys Public Library	Guynell Grant - Coastal Pines Technical College
Laura Smith Brese - College of Coastal Georgia	Jennifer Rounds - Girl Scouts of Historic Georgia	Claire Feazel -Camden County Board of Commissioners	Deondra Lightfoot - Safe Harbor	Kemso Moore - Coastal Coalition for Children
Deidra Combs – Coastal Pines Technical College	Elissa May -Camden House	Paulette McCrea - Department of Juvenile Justice	Danielle Sayre - Coastal Health District	Shawnessy Mitchell-Roberts - Agape Unlimited Inc
Amanda Hammann - Valor Events and The Coastal Shopper	Shatia Coats - Girl Scouts of Historic Georgia	Megan Molicx - Camden Connection	Deidra Combs - Coastal Pines Technical College	Valeria Latson - Fleet and Family
Leah Rose - Salvation Army	Markita Walcott - Humanity of Camden County	Joe Lodmell - College of Coastal Georgia	Melissa Perkins - Camden County Health Department	Sally Cedars - Coastal Community Health
Temeca Hannan - WorkSource Coastal	Ailetha Turner - Heart of Benevolence			

- Chair Lena B. Brathwaite Bell started the meeting at 2:00 p.m.





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- Announced the Nominating Committee meeting on Monday, 5th June, and there were three nominations: Laurel Sphar, Waldron Hamilton, and Marcie Castello nominated for the Leadership Team. The nominations were presented to and voted on by the Collaborative.
- Scott Bryan, Tribune and Georgian explained the process of submitting announcements/ events, stories, and press releases to the Tribune and Georgian and how to increase your reach. To submit items, [email editor1@tds.net](mailto:editor1@tds.net).
 - Here is a helpful link for those who want to learn how to write a press release in a format that can be sent to multiple news organizations for consideration for publication.
<https://prnews.io/blog/how-to-write-a-press-release-ap-style.html>
- Ailtetha Turner, Heart of Benevolence – updated the collaborative on recent 7th Rock the Books event changes.
 - The Collaborative voted on Tuesday for the 2023 Party in the Park event change of venue from Crooked River Park to the Howard Gilman Waterfront Park in downtown St. Marys. The event will still be on August 5th; however, the time is now 12 pm to 5 pm.
 - There is no vendor fee for those participating (non-selling) in the FCC Health and Wellness Fair; we only ask you to bring school supplies for the children. To sign up, email familyconnectioncamden.ed@gmail.com or call 912-674-9795
 - Feel free to contact Ailetha Turner with questions or concerns at (912)467-2387 or email aturner.hob@gmail.com
- Melissa Perkins, Camden County Health Department - the Hurricane Registry for those with functional, access, or medical needs is open all year. If you live in Camden County and think you may qualify, we urge you to apply for the Hurricane Registry NOW. Residents should apply BEFORE a storm threatens our area at [Camden County Hurricane Registry Information - Georgia Coastal Health District Georgia Coastal Health District](#)



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- Lena Brathwaite Bell, IPE Innovations - Schedule a free 30-minute consultation for weight management with hypnotherapy.
 - Register by August 13, 2023 for a 12-week Grief Support Group at 912.729.4626 or email ipe2@tds.net. at ipe2.org
 - For more information, go to <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100064570484606>
- Laurel Sphar, St. Marys Public Library - a Summer Reading Program for children and Adults, a program named 1000 Books before Kindergarten, multiple free resources/digital services with a library card. All flyers, photos, and programs are listed on our Facebook.
<https://www.facebook.com/photo/?fbid=634974952009210&set=pb.100064901313653.-2207520000>
- Claire Feazel, Camden County Board of Commissioners - the Camden 2023 Hurricane Guide can be found at <https://conta.cc/45Hx7P8>
- April Jeans, Family Connection Camden - The Community Garden "Seeds of Love" Day was a success, and the date for the next will be announced soon. Pictures can be found on the FCC [Facebook](#) page.
- The next meeting is July 13, 2023, at 2 pm via Zoom.

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