REGULAR MEETING

Minutes
June 23, 2016

Members Present: John Bickley, Linda Craig, Marie Crawford, Helen Ninos, Renée Stein

Members Excused: Dean Fadel, Beth Savage

Staff Present: Jed Morison, Jack Beatty, Linda Fleming, Gwynn Kinsel, David Ott, Dot Yeager

The Regular meeting of the Franklin County Board of Developmental Disabilities was called to order by President Craig.

MINUTES

Mr. Bickley moved to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting held on May 19, 2016, second by Ms. Ninos. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Budget & Finance Report: Ms. Ninos reported that the Finance Committee met noting that expenditures are at 42.1% and revenue is 54.1%. The 2017 budget process has begun. A resolution will be presented tonight requesting authorization to submit the Capital and Information Technology budget requests to the Office of Management and Budget in the Commissioner’s Office.

Ms. Ninos moved for approval of the Budget and Finance Report, second by Ms. Crawford. Motion carried unanimously.

Human Resources Report: Ms. Crawford stated that the Human Resources Committee reviewed personnel actions for the past month and all seems to be in order. David Ott reported that we will begin negotiations with OAPSE soon as the agreement with them expires at the end of the year.

Ms. Crawford moved for approval of the Human Resources Report, second by Ms. Ninos. Motion carried unanimously.
SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

- Thanks to Board members for participating in the required Webinar on the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities initiatives, including shared living.

- We have distributed our proposed resolution related to Conflict Free Case Management and Privatization to all Department Heads, relevant staff and it has been posted on our website. The proposal is for FCBDD Adult Services staff to transition to ARC Industries payroll in January, 2019. We will not ask for Board approval tonight, however expect to ask for Board consideration in the July meeting to allow time for comment.

- We will ask for the Board to approve our part in a proposed partnership to serve youth involved in multiple public service agencies. If approved, we believe this project can serve as a model for other regions/counties in the state. It will allow for residential support to four youth and would not require parents to relinquish custody.

- Several staff recently attended an Open House at the offices of the Guardianship Services Board. Judge Montgomery, Jack Kullman, Director and their Board and staff have done an excellent job of getting this service established. In his remarks, the Judge expressed his appreciation of the Franklin County Board of DD support of this effort. A new Ohio Guardianship Guide has been published by the Attorney General to help guardians learn more about guardianship. Gwynn Kinsel does excellent work representing our agency.

- The Ohio Special Olympics will be held on June 24-26 at The Ohio State University. We have over 100 athletes participating and close to 50 volunteers and coaches. Opening Ceremonies are at 7:00 p.m. on June 24 at the Jesse Owens field.

- Morgan Stanley recently held a golf fundraiser for our FCBDD Special Olympics program. Jim and Ellen Tressel were special guests. Ryan Phillips, Special Olympics Director, reported it was an excellent event.

- Our June Family Support meeting was well attended due to a presentation on the new STABLE Accounts. Ohio is the first state in the county to open ABLE (Achieving Better Life Experience) Awards, which allows for individuals with disabilities to establish savings accounts and build assets without losing eligibility to Medicaid. Ohio’s ABLE Accounts are called STABLE Accounts.

- Representative Kevin Boyce will be visiting our agency on July 18 to learn more about the services we provide. We look forward to his visit.

- The recent meeting of the Central Ohio Self-Determination Association and our recent Self-Advocate Advisory Council meeting included a discussion about marriage for people who have disabilities and Social Security rules. A couple from Scioto County attended to explain that they want to get married, but can’t because one would lose much of her Supplemental Security Income (SSI). They indicated that their only disability is physical and they want to get married legally. We have a story about this in the next issue of ‘Dateline’ and the Columbus Dispatch is interested.

- A new state rule has been proposed related to Independent Providers and overtime. The purpose of the rule is to place limits on the number of hours an independent provider may provide home and community based services in a work week. The intent of the state is for County Boards to fund this overtime on county funded waivers beginning in July, 2017.
RESOLUTIONS

a. Mr. Bickley moved to ratify bill payments approved by the Chief Business Officer as presented to and received by the Finance Committee on June 23, 2016, second by Ms. Crawford. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Ms. Ninos moved to authorize the Superintendent to renew a contract with Alvis House for behavior support services, at specified rates per hour, for the period beginning July 1, 2016 and ending on June 30, 2017, second by Ms. Stein. Motion carried unanimously.

c. Ms. Crawford move to authorize the Superintendent to renew contract with the Association for the Developmentally Disabled for early intervention/early childhood education services and community-based experiences for adults for the period beginning July 1, 2016 and ending on June 30, 2017, in an amount not to exceed $2,677,474.00, second by Mr. Bickley. Motion carried unanimously.

d. Mr. Bickley moved to go to bid for Bixby outdoor swing project, second by Ms. Crawford. Motion carried unanimously.

e. Ms. Ninos moved to authorize the Superintendent to enter into a contract for a pilot project for Multi-System Youth in partnership with Franklin County Children Services, Franklin County Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Board, Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities, Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, Creative Housing, Inc., Franklin County Family and Children First Council, and the Nisonger Center at The Ohio State University Medical School, second by Ms. Crawford. Motion carried unanimously.

f. Mr. Bickley moved to amend and renew contract for the Disability Awareness and Prevention Project with Adam Helbling, LLC, for the period from July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 in an amount not to exceed $20,000.00, second by Ms. Crawford. Motion carried unanimously.

g. Ms. Stein moved to amend contract terms with Goodwill Columbus for the contract period ending December 31, 2016, to allow third progress payment to be made in August 2016 and for targeted enrollment to be achieved in December 2016, second by Mr. Bickley. Motion carried unanimously.

h. Ms. Crawford moved to authorize the Superintendent to submit the Capital and Information Technology Budget to the Franklin County Office of Management and Budget and to submit the long range capital plan, second by Mr. Bickley. Motion carried unanimously.

i. Ms. Stein moved to approve out-of-state travel for Kurt Smith to present on the PIECE program at the Project Search Conference in Orlando, Florida from 8/3-5/16 and to authorize the payment of registration fees only, second by Ms. Crawford. Motion carried unanimously.

j. Ms. Stein moved to go to bid for security improvements at West Central School, second by Mr. Bickley. Motion carried unanimously.
UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS - None

ANNOUNCEMENTS - None

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

Mr. Everett Bayless spoke about a need for individuals who are autistic to be able to readily identify themselves to law enforcement officers and others. Ms. Crawford mentioned that she is a member of the Central Ohio Autism Society and would be happy to share information with them.

Ms. Christine Brown updated everyone on self-advocacy efforts. Concern was expressed that some state buildings are not ADA compliant, for example, individuals who use oversized wheelchairs cannot always fit through narrow pathways and security checks.

ADJOURNMENT

The June 23, 2016 meeting of the Franklin County Board of Developmental Disabilities was adjourned by motion of Mr. Bickley.

Respectfully submitted,

John Bickley, Vice President for
Beth Savage, Secretary

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