REGULAR MEETING

Minutes
October 22, 2013

Members Present: John Bickley, Marie Crawford, Dean Fadel, Beth Savage (partial meeting), Renee Stein,

Members Excused: Linda Craig, Helen Ninos

Staff Present: Jed Morison, Jack Beatty, Dan Darling, Linda Fleming, Martin Kerscher, Marcy Samuel, Dot Yeager

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

MINUTES

Ms. Stein moved to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting held on September 26, 2013, second by Mr. Bickley. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Budget & Finance Report: Mr. Morison reported that the Finance Committee met and reviewed overall receipts and disbursements finding all to be in order. Expenditures are at 68% and revenue stands at 95% at the end of the third quarter. The committee reviewed all requests for contract renewals and are supportive.

Ms. Crawford moved for approval of the Finance Report, second by Ms. Stein. Motion approved unanimously.

Human Resources Report: Mr. Bickley stated that the committee reviewed personnel actions for September finding all in order.

Jack Beatty is coordinating this year’s Combined Charities campaign. We hope to again pledge or donate more than any other county agency. Negotiations are continuing with OAPSE. Open enrollment for health insurance will be held in November.

Mr. Bickley moved for approval of the Human Resources Report, second by Ms. Stein. Motion approved unanimously.
SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

- Thank you to the Early childhood staff at the Early Childhood Learning Community (ECLC) for hosting the Board meeting. Staff do excellent work at this site.

- Our November Board meeting will be on the third Thursday (November 21) rather than the fourth Thursday, due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

- Our Community Star Awards event was a big success. Special thanks to Linda Fleming for coordinating so many details and to Board members for attending.

- On October 16, we held our annual Advocacy Conference at Xenos. Nan Burns and Jan Montgomery do an excellent of coordinating this based on self-advocate input. Topics included benefit analysis, employment first and other adult services.

- The adult services planning effort is continuing. There have been two meetings with family members, three with staff and discussions are taking place with individuals served at the adult facilities and Self-Advocate Advisory Council. No recommendations have been made at this point as information is gathered and analyzed.

- Construction has begun at Northeast School for the Young Adult Services program. Asbestos abatement took place this past weekend. We anticipate completion of this project this winter.

- We have had further discussion with Steve Votaw of Learn 4 Life and would like to support their efforts. Learn 4 Life is a community organization with a mission to ensure every child and student receives the support they need to succeed academically and thrive in a fulfilling career. This is a significant focus on preschool education and school readiness. We will request your support under unfinished business.

- There will be a Provider Fair and November 14 from 1:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. at the Aladdin Shrine Center on Stelzer Road.

- Christine Brown has provided a written update to each Board member on Self-Advocacy efforts.

- The Ohio Association of County Boards annual convention will be held December 4-6 in Columbus. Board members are asked to notify Linda Fleming or the Superintendent if interested in attending.

RESOLUTIONS

a. Mr. Bickley moved to ratify bill payments approved by the Chief Business Officer as presented to and received by the Finance Committee October 22, 2013, second by Ms. Stein. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Ms. Crawford moved to authorize Superintendent to accept the lowest responsible bid for competitive retail electric service submitted to the Metropolitan Education Council and execute the Master Supply Agreement for the period commencing January 2014 and terminating no later than May 2017, second by Mr. Bickley. Motion carried unanimously.
c. Ms. Stein moved to request out-of-state travel to Orlando, Florida to attend the Assistive Technology Conference on January 30, 2014 - February 1, 2014 for early childhood staff Sandy Ferguson, Speech Therapist, Stephanie Blevins, Vision Specialist and Marcia Backus, Speech Therapist. (Staff will pay for their travel and lodging), second by Ms. Crawford. Motion carried unanimously.

d. Mr. Bickley moved to request out-of-state travel to Chicago, Illinois for Teresa Kobelt, Adult Services Director, to attend the TASH conference on December 11-14, 2013. (Travel and lodging expenses will be paid by staff), second by Ms. Crawford. Motion carried unanimously.

e. Ms. Stein moved to authorize Superintendent to enter into a contract with the YMCA of Central Ohio for services to children ages zero to three, not to exceed the amount of $103,256.00 for the period beginning November 1, 2013 and ending October 31, 2014, second by Ms. Crawford. Motion approved with Mr. Bickley abstaining.

f. Ms. Crawford moved to authorize Superintendent to enter into a contract with Goodwill Columbus for SAGE Senior Services, Work and Community Services, Young Adult Services, other adult services, and Outreach Services not to exceed the amount of $10,743,740.00 for a period beginning January 1, 2014 and ending December 31, 2014, second by Mr. Bickley. Motion carried unanimously.

g. Ms. Stein moved to authorize Superintendent to enter into a contract with Nationwide Children’s Hospital for services to eligible children ages zero through five, not to exceed the amount of $234,000.00 for the period beginning January 1, 2014 and ending December 31, 2014, second by Ms. Crawford. Motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mr. Bickley moved to authorize the Superintendent to negotiate and enter into a contract with Learn 4 Life to support educational advancements for all children, including children with disabilities in an amount not to exceed $25,000.00, second by Ms. Crawford. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS - None

ANNOUNCEMENTS - None

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

Ms. Christine Brown provided an update regarding the Ohio Self-Determination Association, Self-Advocate Advisory Council, Project STIR and current legislative issues.

ADJOURNMENT

The October 22, 2013 meeting of the Franklin County Board of Developmental Disabilities was adjourned by motion of Mr. Bickley.

Respectfully submitted,

Renee Stein
Vice President

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