



Franklin County Board of Developmental Disabilities

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Jed W. Morison
Superintendent/CEO

REGULAR MEETING

**Minutes
February 25, 2016**

Members Present: John Bickley, Linda Craig, Marie Crawford, Dean Fadel, Helen Ninos
Beth Savage

Members Excused: Renee Stein

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

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

MINUTES

Mr. Fadel moved to approve the minutes of the Organizational meeting held on January 28, 2016, second by Ms. Savage. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Bickley moved to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting held on January 28, 2016, second by Ms. Savage. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Budget & Finance Report: Ms. Savage reported that the Finance Committee did not meet due to an in-service, however, they received a report on expenditures and revenue for the month of January, 2016. Expenditures are at 12.8% and revenue is at 1.5%, recognizing that we have not received any real estate taxes yet.

In the in-service, Board members were updated on future levy plans. At this point, it is expected that we will need to be on the ballot for a renewal of our levy in the Spring of 2018.

Ms. Savage moved for approval of the Finance Report, second by Mr. Fadel. Motion carried unanimously.

Finance Report: Ms. Crawford reported that the Human Resources Committee did not meet today due to the in-service, however did receive a report. Personnel activity has been light at this time of the year.

The contract with OEA (Ohio Education Association) is now in effect for years 2016, 2017 and 2018.

Sadly, Colleen Ziemba, long term staff member at ARC West, passed away last week.

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

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

- The Superintendent distributed the 2015 Annual Report and 2016-2017 Program Year Calendar to Board members. Linda Fleming did an outstanding job with layout and design and Carl Scott did excellent work with printing and assembly. This is a very professional document, all handled internally.
- Since our last meeting, Goodwill's program has moved into the Marketing Place building thanks to the good work of Dot Yeager, Mike Boyce and Mike's entire team.
- Efforts are continuing regarding the 'Conflict Free Case Management' issue and Privatization. The Superintendent will present to all Adult Services staff on March 25 to provide an update of plans being considered.
- Our next Self-Advocate Advisory Council meeting will be held on March 9 at 10:00 a.m. The Superintendent will provide updates and we will hear updates on advocacy efforts, including our plan to sponsor another Project STIR training later this year.
- March is DD Awareness month, with activities planned to recognize the capabilities of persons with developmental disabilities. Carl Scott, Print Shop Manager, does great work with this developing posters, bookmarks with distribution to all libraries, etc. This year's theme is "What's Your Story?" March 8 is DD Awareness and Advocacy Day at the Statehouse.
- Ohio has not yet received approval of its Transition Plan that was submitted to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). This is the plan that outlines how Ohio will comply with CMS rules related to more integrated services and employment. The state expects they will receive additional questions from CMS.

Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities officials have said there is not a 'black and white' definition of integrated services, however they have stressed that it doesn't mean size of facility, rather it is based on a person's experience, choices and person centered plan.

- The Superintendent met with Representative Kristen Boggs earlier this week. Representative Boggs is the newly appointed State Representative replacing Michael Stinziano, who is now a member of Columbus City Council.

- The Department of Labor recently ruled on an interesting case related to three individuals who filed a complaint with the Department of Labor regarding their sub-minimum wages. We will be following this case as it relates to organizations who have what are called 14C certificates.
- Our Adult Services Department, under the direction of Bob Gaston, just received word from the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities that we will receive a grant for \$192,000 to assist with employment and integrated community supports. This will allow us to bring in a national expert to provide guidance on transitioning from facility-based staffing to community-based supports. Bob is doing excellent work.
- Best Buddies Ohio has been given statewide designation by Best Buddies International. Congratulations to Board member, Beth Savage for her leadership in making this happen. Best Buddies creates opportunities for one-to-one friendships for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

RESOLUTIONS

- a. Ms. Savage moved to ratify bill payments approved by the Chief Business Officer as presented to and received by the Finance Committee February 25, 2016, second by Ms. Ninos. Motion carried unanimously.
- b. Mr. Bickley moved to go to bid for maintenance vehicles, second by Ms. Crawford. Motion carried unanimously.
- c. Ms. Ninos moved to authorize Superintendent to renew contract with SPARK, LLC, for a career development summer program for 60 students for the period from April 1, 2016 through July 31, 2016, second by Mr. Bickley. Motion carried unanimously.
- d. Mr. Fadel moved to accept proposal from Mercer for health insurance consultant services for the period from March 1, 2016 through February 28, 2019 at a base annual fee of \$55,000.00 and an additional fee for competitive proposal assistance between \$5,000.00 and \$20,000.00, based on the coverage marketed, as agreed upon with FCBDD, second by Ms. Crawford. Motion carried unanimously.
- e. Ms. Savage moved to approve Board member in-service training plan, second by Ms. Crawford. Motion carried unanimously.
- f. Mr. Bickley moved to proclaim March as DD Awareness Month, second by Mr. Fadel. Motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

Superintendent Morison indicated that Board members would be polled to determine if they would be available for an in-service and Board meeting at Noon either on April 28 or May 19.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

Ms. Chris Reese, Staff Development Coordinator for Adult Services, thanked Board members for approving a change to the date that Adult Services will hold their August staff development event this year. Ms. Reese will also be responsible for coordinating an upcoming CARF Accreditation survey.

Ms. Christine Brown updated Board members and staff on advocacy efforts and other projects around the state and Franklin County. Two handouts were distributed.

ADJOURNMENT

The February 25, 2016 meeting of the Franklin County Board of Developmental Disabilities was adjourned by motion of Ms. Crawford.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Savage
Secretary

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