



Franklin County Board of Developmental Disabilities

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Dot Yeager
Superintendent/CEO

**REGULAR MEETING
Minutes
May 23, 2024**

Members Present: John Bickley, Marie Crawford; Samuel Davis, Dean Fadel, Marci Straughter, Michael Underwood; Karen Wilkins

Staff Present: Dot Yeager, Lee Childs, Angie Franke, Gwynn Kinsel, Kathy Lawton, Larry Macintosh, Amy Magginis, David Ott, Ryan Phillips, Rita Price, Jennifer Schueneman, Travis Sherick

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

MINUTES

Mr. Bickley moved to approve the minutes from the regular meeting held on April 25, 2024, second by Mr. Underwood. Motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS

Budget & Finance Report: Board member Mr. Davis, Chair of Finance Committee, provided the Budget and Finance report. The Finance Committee has received budget updates through April 2024. Revenues are at 52.5% and expenditures are at 27.8% of budget, consistent with the 2024 Budget. The Capital and Information Technology long range plan was reviewed for 2024 through 2028. A bid to replace the fire panel at ARC West will be brought under new business today.

Mr. Davis moved to approve the Finance report, second by Ms. Wilkins. Motion passed unanimously.

Human Resources & Ethics Report: Board Member Mr. Bickley, Chair of the Human Resources Committee, reported that the committee has received the recent personnel actions through the end of April 2024, and everything seems to be in order. Progress is being made on the transfer of Psychology Department employees to ARC Industries. The agenda item today to formally abolish those jobs is the next step in the process. Also discussed is the proposal to offer a sick leave incentive as new business today.

Mr. Bickley moved to approve the Human Resources report, second by Mr. Fadel. Motion passed unanimously.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Central Ohio Self-Determination Association

The Central Ohio Self-Determination Association met last week at 2879 Johnstown Road. Critty Buenconsejo of Creative Housing Inc.; Sam Irvine from DODD's Office of Medicaid Development and Administration; and Service Coordination's Kristy Schuyler presented to the group on housing. Thanks to Christine Brown for coordinating this meeting.

Family Support Meeting – May 22, 2024 at noon

The Family Support meeting for family members served by the Franklin County Board of Developmental Disabilities will be held on Wednesday, May 22 at noon (12 p.m.). The meeting will be held virtually on the Zoom platform. Superintendent/CEO Dot Yeager will provide updates and receive comments/ feedback from participants. Lynne Fogel is in a new role at the Ohio Department of Health as a parent consultant for children with complex medical health. Lynn introduced Meredith Evans who is providing support as the Central Ohio Family Support Specialist, if you need contact information, please contact Dot or Amy.

Self-Advocate Advisory Council – June 20, 2024

The Self-Advocate Advisory Council of Franklin County Board of Developmental Disabilities will meet in-person on June 20, 2024 at 2879 Johnstown Road at 10:00 a.m.

Columbus Zoo will have an Accessibility Day on June 9

The Ohio State Fair is having a Sensory Friendly Day July 25

Reminder of West Central School Graduation

Our West Central School graduation is set for 6 p.m. Wednesday, May 29, at the school. Board President Marie Crawford, a West Central parent alum, will be the keynote speaker. It's always a fun and touching event, with lots of smiles and happy tears, and we are looking forward to honoring the 17 graduates from the class of 2024 and their families.

Innovation Summit

DODD's Innovation Summit is an in-person meeting that will be held on May 29, 2024, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Quest Conference Center, 9200 Worthington Road, Westerville and will honor inspiring stories.

Psychology Department Update

The next step in the process of transitioning the Psychology Department to ARC Industries on July 1, 2024, is a resolution authorizing the Superintendent to abolish the affected positions. This will allow for notice required by Ohio Revised Code 124.321-327.

Building Updates

The final steps are occurring for the sale of 909 Taylor Station Road and 4395 Marketing Place, with closings expected around the end of June.

Goodwill Work and Community Services - plans, renovations, and repairs are underway for the move from 4395 Marketing Place to 6633 Doubletree, scheduled for June 20, 2024.

Changing Spaces Grant

Thanks to Rita Price, Communications Coordinator is doing a great job promoting that. To date: The Ohio Theater; the City of Reynoldsburg; Columbus Parks and Recreation; The Schottenstein Center; the Ohio Expo Center; Heinzerling; the Riffe Center; Recreation Unlimited; Peace Lutheran Church in Gahanna; and the City of Hilliard have all been awarded grants. We still have grant funding available.

FCBDD Community Star Awards

Please mark your calendar for this year's FCBDD Community Star Awards to be held on October 16, 2024. The location will be announced soon which is fully accessible for individuals using wheelchairs.

RESOLUTIONS

- a. Mr. Bickley moved to ratify bill payments for the past month, approved by the Superintendent/CEO, as presented to the Finance Committee on May 23, 2024, second by Ms. Wilkins. Motion carried unanimously.
- b. Mr. Fadel moved to authorize a change to the amount, as agreed upon in the March 28, 2024 board meeting, with the Ohio State University Nisonger Center for early intervention and pre-school services for the period beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025 to allow for an increase in the number of children to receive early intervention services and a revised not-to-exceed amount of \$1,392,053, second by Mr. Underwood. Motion carried unanimously.
- c. Ms. Wilkins moved to authorize the Superintendent to renew the contract with Hattie Larlham Center for Children with Disabilities for early intervention/ early childhood education services and community-based recreation experiences for adults for the period beginning July 1, 2024 and ending on June 30, 2025, in the amount not to exceed \$2,753,173, second by Mr. Fadel. Motion carried unanimously.
- d. Mr. Underwood moved to authorize Superintendent to renew a contract with Childhood League for early intervention and early childhood education services for the period beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025, not to exceed the amount of \$1,309,939, second by Mr. Bickley. Motion carried with abstention by Mr. Davis.
- e. Mr. Fadel moved to authorize the Superintendent to renew a contract with Easter Seals Central and Southeast Ohio, Inc. for early intervention services/ early childhood education services, from the period from August 1, 2024 through July 31, 2025 in an amount not to exceed \$1,074,454, second by Ms. Wilkins. Motion carried with abstention by Mr. Davis.
- f. Mr. Bickley 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 Ms. Straughter. Motion carried unanimously.
- g. Mr. Underwood moved authorize Superintendent to abolish Psychology Department staff classifications and positions, effective at the close of business on June 30, 2024, consistent with Board Policy 9.3 and the mandate to comply with the "Conflict Free Case Management" rule of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS), second by Mr. Bickley. Motion carried unanimously.
- h. Mr. Davis moved to authorize Superintendent to go to bid for printer maintenance services, second by Ms. Straughter.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS –

- a. Mr. Fadel moved to approve hearing officer's report regarding eligibility criteria for S.E., second by Ms. Straughter. Motion carried unanimously.
- b. Ms. Wilkins moved to approve the request to go to bid for fire panel replacement at ARC West, 250 W. Dodridge Street, second by Mr. Fadel. Motion carried unanimously.
- c. Mr. Fadel moved to authorize the Superintendent to contract with ARC Industries to reimburse for accrued compensated absences of Psychology Department employees who remain employed with FCBDD through the effective date of the transition to ARC Industries, no later than July, 2024, and accept employment with ARC Industries. The amount of such reimbursable compensated absences is based on the rate of pay in effect on the last day of employment at FCBDD. Eligible hours, accrued during employment by FCBDD, less hours used, is payable at 25% semiannually through June 30, 2026, second by Ms. Straughter.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – none

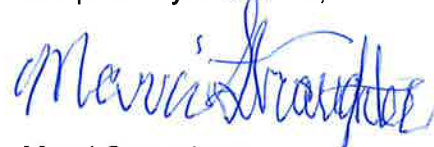
Board Member Ms. Straughter shared updates related to a Technology Fair with our Service Coordination department to highlight available technology that can improve safety and independence to those served by FCBDD. Ms. Straughter attended the technology fair in conjunction with AngelSense. Ms. Straughter also recently traveled to Missouri to be a keynote speaker for Charting the LifeCourse showcase with 100 plus attendees. Updates were provided on the Innovation Series presenting on May 29th with DODD; the OACB Conference with Tech Ambassadors and AngelSense.

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC –

Christine Brown provided an update on OACB Conference, OSU Nisonger was able to have a vendor table. There is a process to sign up for remote supports. Jordan Wagner is working with Lee Childs on sharing information related to remote supports. Christine will be attending the AAIDD (American Association of Intellectual Delays) conference with Marc Tasse and Susan Havercamp related to LEND. At the Central Ohio Self-Determination Association meeting scheduled at FCBDD on July 12, 2024, the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities will present at the meeting related to waiver changes; provider rate increases; and reimbursement. A clear language cheat sheet will be created to help in understanding Medicaid Buy-In. Christine provided an update on housing accessibility and city of Columbus zoning codes – she will soon be meeting with Rep. Michelle Reynolds and Rep. Andrew Brenner. The OSU Nisonger Tech Summit registration is open.

The May 23, 2024 meeting of the Franklin County Board of Developmental Disabilities was adjourned by Board President Crawford.

Respectfully submitted,



Marci Straughter
Secretary