

**Minutes of the Developmental Disabilities Resource Board
Of
Clay County
June 24, 2014**

The June meeting of the Developmental Disabilities Resource Board was called to order at 6:30 pm on June 24, 2014 by Chairman Bill Taylor at the executive offices, 920 South Kent Street. Present at the meeting were: Tom Bradley, Bob Boydston, Steve Elliott, Alan Naylor, Heath Roberts, Pat Schoenrade, Gary Steinman, William Taylor. Excused was Linda Thomas.

Guests present included:

Barbara Griggs	CCI	Jill Bartlett	NEEC
Randy Hylton	VSI	Jim Huffman	CCI
Anita Hartman	CHS	Ann Graff	CTC
Betsy Keleher	CEADD	Wendy Witcig	Triality
Dale Herrick	Immacolata	Sally Cook	CCVI
Lesa Tray	KCRO		

Announcements/Correspondence

Brian announced that Linda Thomas's husband Roy had passed away last week and that she was with family for the interment in Versailles, Missouri. Brian asked the board and guests to take a moment of prayerful silence in support of Linda.

Brian announced that Triality in cooperation with Easter Seals had been conducting training sessions for parents of children with Autism. These training events have covered a variety of subjects and have been well attended.

Approval of the Minutes

Alan moved and Pat seconded approval of the minutes from the April 29, 2014 Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously. Alan then moved and Pat seconded approval of the May 19, 2014 Long Range Planning Committee minutes. The motion passed unanimously. Gary moved and Pat seconded approval of the minutes from the Long Range Planning Committee meeting on June 10, 2014. The motion was approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Steve presented the Treasurer's Report as follows: For April the TCM had a balance of assets of \$499,549.93 and liabilities of \$499,549.93. Income for the month was \$418,577.15 and expenses of \$171,817.47 for a net of \$246,759.68. For the year income is \$806,710.20 with expenses of 652,131.86 for net of \$154,578.34.

DDRB balance sheet shows total assets of \$9,462,559.49 and liabilities/equity of \$9,462,559.49. Income for April was \$128,598.18 with expenses of \$461,014.75 for a loss of \$332,416.57. Year to date income is \$4,407,412.34 against expenses of \$1,733,576.92 for a net of \$2,673,835.42

For May the TCM account has current assets of \$355,420.62. Liabilities and Equity were \$355,420.62. Income for the month was \$194,992.04 and expenses of \$339,051.35 for a monthly net for May of -\$144,129.31. Year to date income through May was \$1,001,632.24 with expenses of \$818, 849.40 for a year to date net of \$182,782.84.

For the DDRB account the Balance sheet reflects total assets of \$9,106,994.44 with an equal amount for liabilities and equity. The income for May was \$87,419.24 with expenses of \$445,110.44 for a net of -\$357,691.20. Year to date income through May is \$4,494,831.58 against expenses of \$2,178,687.36 for a net income of \$2,316,144.22.

Gary moved and Pat seconded a motion to approve the April financial report and the motion passed. Steve moved and Tom seconded a motion to approve the May financial report and the motion passed.

Administrative Director's Report

Brian thanked Anita for her help preparing the material regarding the Waivers that are available to consumers. Brian pointed out that there is a grid of services that each waiver provides in Board member's mailing.

Executive Committee

Brian reported on the TCM contract revisions that have changed the termination dates and the rates to be paid from the original proposal. With these changes Brian believes the contract should remain financially successful and recommends it to the board. Pat moved and Steve seconded the motion to approve entering into the contract for the year July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015. The motion passed unanimously.

Next, was the renewal of the Developmental Disabilities contract that includes an amendment to increase training requirement. While this will not affect DDRB, Randy Hylton of VSI spoke to the requirement as so severe for his agency he is considering dropping his Supportive Employment contract with the State. Dale Herrick of Immacolata

noted that it is an unfunded mandate, requiring the agencies to spend more on training without being reimbursed for the additional costs.

Dale also stated the State was reflecting a requirement of Medicaid.

While the agencies are concerned about the contract it does not relate to DDRB, as such Brian recommended the contract for Board approval. Gary asked if there is any financial implication for the Board. Brian replied it was neutral. Pat asked Randy if there was no value to the training for him he said the issue is the additional costs that have to come from somewhere. Wendy spoke to the Medicaid Committee of providers who had concerns about the training requirements not being funded so the State is aware of these concerns. The State failed to distinguish between seasoned providers and new groups jumping into the service without proper training. Randy indicated that VSI provides about \$7,000 of services per year and this training would require \$4,000 per year so it doesn't make much sense for VSI. Alan then motioned and Pat seconded approval of the new contract as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

MACDDS membership was the subject of a meeting of the Executive Committee with Les Wagner, Executive Director and Ann Graff former chair of that board. Brian reported that the outcome of the meeting was to hold off making a decision until it was clear what the value was for Brian's participation and the value to the Board. Brian will follow up with Les Wagner to gain more information. Bill added that he had attended the annual conference and there was very little related to the work of Board members.

Finance Committee

Steve motioned and Gary seconded a motion to invest in a new CD with GE Capital for 24 months at 1.25%. Through a roll call vote the

motion passed. Steve then discussed the frustration with finding vehicles for investments. Therefore, Steve had asked Brian to investigate what options are available. Brian indicated he had spoken with the county Auditor about this and she had several good suggestion and encouraged checking with the State Treasurer's office for a model policy for investing. Brian also indicated that the finance committee would be given a chance to review the service of several banks and come back to the board with a recommendation at the next board meeting.

Steve then raised the request from the Children's Center for the Visually Impaired for an increase in funding of an additional \$40,000 as their experience year to date had exhausted their funds. Gary asked if their numbers were reflected in the actual report, and they are. Steve then moved and Pat seconded approval of the increase funding. Through a roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

Bill then reminded the Board that the agency's insurance was due to be reviewed and that Brian was investigating agencies to submit bids. Because of the timing it is another subject matter to be addressed at the July meeting.

Service Committee

No report

Long Range Planning Committee

Gary reported that following the meetings with Concerned Care the recommendation to the Board is to create a working committee to address the future of group homes. This would be a joint committee with Concerned Care. Steve asked Barbara if she had such a group and she indicated that they had 3 and possibly 4 board members

committed to serving on the group. Gary said he would work on the details with Brian to get the group moving.

Board Owned Property Committee

Alan reported on his meetings with Greg Kincaid who thought most of the items on the list of repairs could be done by Concerned Care's own forces. Alan gave an example of the sidewalk at Northland and asked approval of \$650 to address this project. Barbara indicated that the funding for this could be covered by their current grant. Alan went onto discuss the roof at Northland House. One person gave a bid of several thousand dollars. Another contractor, Alan knows well, indicated there is no urgent need to replace the roof. Alan recommended that the roof did not need repair at this time. Bob asked for more explanation of the roof structure concern. Alan reported the rafters are not cosmetically attractive but there is no reason to replace them until a new roof is required. Alan then asked that \$940 was needed to clean the dryer vents. Steve moved and Pat seconded a motion to spend the funds. Through a roll call vote the motion passed. Alan then raised the need for \$1,400 for air vent cleaning. Steve moved and Gary seconded the motion which passed following a roll call vote.

TCM Report

Anita indicated that there are now 30 employees with 4 more in process of being hired. She indicated that 50 clients had entered into their workload over the past 3 months so the growth continues. Anita indicated she would begin providing data regarding the number of persons served who had Medicaid or not. Anita then talked about

some success stories including the use of the short term Autism Waiver.

Old Business No Report

New Business

Bill mentioned that legislation introduced by Jeff Grismore of Lee Summit to change language from Mentally Retarded and Mental Retardation to Intellectually Disabled and Intellectual Delayed was signed by the Governor.

Guests Comments

Randy reported that VSI had successfully passed their accreditation despite his concerns about the changes in the site visit format. They received many compliments and were grateful for the outcome. Bill checked with Randy to learn if the solar powers were working. Randy reports they are working and will have some numbers to report soon.

Dale expressed his hope the long range planning committee take up the issue of serving those with dimension. He hoped to dream together with the Board some services for the future. He also expressed concern that the Board be aware of decisions being made by the reauthorization. He asked the Board to give serious thought to being a member of MACDDS. Gary asked if that was the opinion of all the agencies and they responded in favor of the membership. Dale indicated what a great job CHS is doing and that families really appreciate it.

Jill reported that their run raised over \$19,000 and that NEEC is preparing for their CARF visit but no date had been set.

Wendy indicated that the merger of Triality and Easter Seals was on track to be effective July 1, 2014. Wendy expressed thanks for Brian's

assistance with the Autism Training events using tax funds not expended earlier in the year. Wendy also praised Aaron Wright who is a young man in his late twenties who has Asperger's Syndrome. Alan said he was great and gave you a better understanding of Autism. Pat asked if he could speak to a college class and Wendy believed he could. Wendy then indicated that they, too would be going through a site visit from CARF in October of this year.

Randy then reported on Federal Legislation HR 803 a bill related to the minimum wage bill and sheltered workshop. The Senate is taking up the bill and it is expected to pass. It essentially changes the way they operate as it insists those coming out of school cannot enter into a Sec. 14 C program (sheltered workshops) until they reach age 24. There are some model programs being implemented around the nation. Following that will be a new plan affecting vocational rehab, sheltered workshops and mental health to address employment in Missouri and every other state.

Jim Huffman indicated they had received approval for their transportation grant to purchase a new mini- van although the grant was originally approved in 2011.

Tracy offered to stay and answer any questions regarding the governor's veto.

Adjournment

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:22 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian O'Malley

Administrative Director

