



## **DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES BOARD**

### **MINUTES**

**December 19, 2012**

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Jensen called the meeting to order at 6:03 P.M.

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Chairperson Marilyn Jensen; Ed Brandsey, Cheryl Drozdowicz, Nancy Lannert, Lynda Olson, Louis Peer, Bridget Rolek

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Vice Chairperson, Becky Heimerl; Terry Fell

#### **STAFF PRESENT**

John Hanewall, Director; Jen Patridge, Deputy Director; John Weber, Contract Compliance Specialist; Tahirih Carr DD Financial Worker

#### **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

The agenda was adopted on a MOTION BY Cheryl Drozdowicz, SECONDED BY Ed Brandsey. MOTION CARRIED.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes from November 28, 2012 were approved on a MOTION BY Louis Peer, SECONDED BY Bridget Rolek. MOTION CARRIED.

#### **CITIZEN PARTICIPATION, COMMUNICATION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Brenda Cokinis, Parent of an Enrichment Center Consumer, reported to the Board that the administrative structure of the LSS Enrichment Center is changing again and she does not know who to contact with her concerns. She believes that the Enrichment Center should use the Enrichment Center Parents Board's vans as those vans belong to the clients and they should use their own vans vs. using vans owned by LSS. She still feels that Enrichment Center needs more staff and her son doesn't get out in the community as much as she would like.
- Virginia Socwell, Parent of an Enrichment Center Consumer, gave the Board a detailed history of the Enrichment Center program from concept to implementation to its present day form. Her main concerns were that the present day form of the program is not the same as the program's concept that was implemented 30 yrs. ago. She believes that the kids are no longer the main focus of the program. She also raised concerns regarding the use of the vans owned by LSS vs. the vans owned by the Enrichment Center Parents Board, but admitted that was an issue with LSS and

not the DD Board. She stated that she is currently satisfied with her son's program at the Enrichment Center.

- Ron Socwell, Parent of an Enrichment Center Consumer, would like the Board to look at the options of letting another organization run the Enrichment Center Program as it was originally envisioned.
- Ludi Beckenbaugh, Parent of an Enrichment Center Consumer, would like to see the Enrichment Center use the vans owned by the Enrichment Center Parents Board vs. the vans owned by LSS. She also stated that without this program she would be lost and feels it is wonderful for her son.

**RESOLUTION-AMENDING THE 2013 DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND HUMAN SERVICES BUDGET FOR THE FAMILY SUPPORT PROGRAM**

The Resolution was approved on a MOTION BY Bridget Rolek, SECONDED BY Nancy Lannert. MOTION CARRIED.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. **BILLS**

- Bills in the amount of \$320,737.62 were approved on a MOTION BY Ed Brandsey, SECONDED BY Louis Peer. MOTION CARRIED.

2. **APPROVAL OF CONTRACTS/ADDENDUMS,**

None

3. **ENCUMBRANCES**

None

4. **LINE ITEM TRANSFERS**

None

5. **BUDGET REVIEW**

- There is nothing to report as yet on the 2012 Budget Review.

6. **PRESENTATION OF CESA-2 BIRTH TO THREE CONCERNS**

- Anna Fuller, Coordinator Birth to Three Program, and Terri Vincent, Assistant Coordinator Birth to Three Program, made a formal request to the Board for \$8,000 to cover a budget shortfall for 2012 and another formal request to the Board for an additional \$89,275 to cover a projected shortfall in their 2013 budget. Ms. Fuller presented the Board with a packet addressing the shortfalls and reminded the Board that this is a mandated service.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT ON PROGRAM ACTIVITIES**

1. **Program Activities:**

- Birth to Three Program was able to verify and correct the problems with the outstanding indicators in the 2010-2011 Survey. On December 14<sup>th</sup> the Dept. received the 2011-2012 Report and the Program has been issued findings of Non-Compliance in 3 areas that will now need corrective action.

2. **Budget Updates:**

- The Dept. is working closely with Humans Services in coordinating the transition of the CLTS-W Program.

3. **Residential Placements:**

- On December 17<sup>th</sup> one consumer was moved from one group home to a new one due to concerns of increasing monitoring and staffing issues.
  - Two clients were recently placed back into residential settings from Rock Haven.
  - On December 11<sup>th</sup> the Dept. emergently placed a client from the parent's home and the Board is pursuing a new guardianship for this client.
  - The Dept. is also working on an emergent placement for an individual from Jackson House which is closing December 31<sup>st</sup>.
4. Consumer Updates:
- The Dept. is currently monitoring a couple of individuals who have some significant medical concerns.
5. Providers' Concerns:
- Kandu will be having their client Christmas Party the afternoon of December 21<sup>st</sup>. They are also currently working on a production job at the Barberry location that will run through March and employs 35 workers on the assembly line.
  - The Dept. is engaged in discussions with a residential provider that is considering changing the number of individuals they serve.
6. Staff Updates
- Jolly Lamb will be joining the Dept. effective January 2, 2013. She will be working in the Clerk/Typist II position.
  - Mr. Hanewall reported that he will be out of the office from December 22<sup>nd</sup> to December 30<sup>th</sup>.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

- The Dept. has received a number of Christmas/Holiday Cards from providers.
- The Board members received a letter from Mrs. Socwell addressing Enrichment Center concerns that was not received by the Dept.

#### ITEMS FOR FUTURE BOARD MEETING CONSIDERATION

- Mr. Peer stated that he feels that as a Board we are really not functioning as we should with regards to listening to citizens concerns and how we act upon it. He doesn't feel the Board should be attacking Mr. Hanewall and the rest of the Dept. and putting them on the defensive for doing their jobs.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, January 9, 2013 at the Rock County Health Care Center 3<sup>rd</sup> floor Conference room at 6:00 P.M.

#### **NOTE:**

Board Members are reminded to call John Hanewall 757-5052 if unable to attend the meeting.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned on a MOTION BY Ed Brandsey, SECONDED BY Bridget Rolek at 8:25 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tahirih Carr, DD Financial Worker

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