



Franklin County Board of Developmental Disabilities

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Jed W. Morison
Superintendent/CEO

REGULAR MEETING

Minutes

October 27, 2022

Board Members Present: John Bickley, Marie Crawford, Samuel Davis, Marci Straughter
Michael Underwood,

Board Members Excused: Beth Savage, Bill Wilkins

Management Staff Present: Jed Morison, Gwynn Kinsel, Lee Childs, Dot Yeager, Amy Magginis,
Jack Brownley, Rita Price, David Ott, Larry Macintosh

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

MINUTES

Ms. Straughter moved to approve the minutes from the regular meeting held on September 22, 2022, second by Ms. Crawford. Motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS

Budget & Finance Report: Dot Yeager, Chief Business Officer, provided the Budget and Finance report. The Finance Committee has received updates year to date through September, 2022. Revenues are at 102% and expenditures are at 66%. Ms. Yeager provided expenditures by program category for the third quarter and all programs are within budget.

Mr. Bickley moved to approve the Finance report, second by Ms. Straughter. Motion passed unanimously.

Human Resources & Ethics Report: John Bickley provided the Human Resources report for the month of September, of note several Service Coordinators were hired. The Combined Charities campaign continues and Chair Jack Brownley is doing exceptional work. Negotiations with the Ohio Association of Public School Employees have begun. The committee also discussed strategies being considered at the state level to secure match dollars to bring additional federal Medicaid funds to support Direct Service Professionals.

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

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

- First, thanks so much for joining us at our Community Star Awards last night. It was a great opportunity to see so many, to update on our agency and to recognize some exceptional people and organizations. Special thanks to Amy Magginis and Rita Price on an outstanding job.
- In our meeting with the Commissioners and Health Department yesterday, it was reported that we are still at the 'green' or 'low' transmission level per CDC guidelines. We continue to be 'mask friendly' and our Health Officials continue to emphasize vaccinations, testing and other safety protocols.
- Our state association (OACB) will have their annual convention from November 30, 2022 to December 2, 2022 at the Easton Hilton. If Board members are interested in attending any sessions, please let Amy or Jed know.
- Our budget for 2023 will be considered by the County Commissioners in November or December. We continue to be on track with our levy plans.
- Discussions continue about ways to secure more federal dollars for Direct Service Professionals to assist with workforce shortages. Tonight, we will ask Board members to commit to an additional 3% for a total of 13% of Provider billing to use as match for federal Medicaid dollars. This is expected to be a big focus of state budget discussions in 2023.
- This week, our Board, sponsored a Project STIR training in cooperation with the Ohio Self Determination Association. Board member Marci Straughter served as one of the trainers. The Superintendent spoke to the group as they began the training.
- We are in the process of updating our Annual Action Plan. We will host a public hearing on December 5, 2022 at 3:30 p.m. At the hearing, we will also hear comments on how our IDEA (Individuals with Disabilities Education Act) funds should be spent. Currently these funds support our Instructor Assistants.
- Our November Board meeting has been changed. We will not meet on November 17. Rather, our last meeting of the year will be held on December 8, 2022 at Noon.
- Legislative activity has been very limited as our legislators are in recess until after the election. We expect that the lame duck session between election day and the end of the year will be very active. Our State Association continues to work with legislators to encourage additional funding for DSPs and for flexibility for Board members to attend some meetings remotely.

RESOLUTIONS

- a. Ms. Straughter moved to ratify bill payments for the past month, approved by the Chief Business Officer, as presented to Board members on September 22, 2022, second by Mr. Bickley. Motion carried unanimously.
- b. Mr. Bickley moved to authorize the Superintendent to accept proposal for health insurance coverage for the period beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2024, as recommended by the Insurance Committee, at an estimated annual cost for medical and pharmacy coverage with Medical Mutual of \$14.7 million with zero increase in year two, dental coverage with Delta Dental at a per employee per month rate of \$63.86 for two years, vision coverage with EyeMed at a per employee per month rate of \$13.61 for four years ending 12/31/2026 and Medical Mutual Employee Assistance Program at a cost per employee per month of \$1.88, second by Ms. Straughter. Motion carried unanimously.

- c. Mr. Davis moved to authorize a resolution to commit to a proposed allocation of local funds, in the amount of 13% of Home and Community Based Services billings, to match state and federal Medicaid funds, to increase wages of Direct Services Professionals (DSPs), second by Ms. Straughter. Motion carried unanimously.
- d. Ms. Crawford moved to authorize Superintendent to renew a contract with the YMCA of Central Ohio for early intervention services, not to exceed the amount of \$145,062 for the period beginning November 1, 2022 and ending October 31, 2023, second by Ms. Straughter. Motion carried with abstention from Mr. Bickley.
- e. Mr. Bickley moved to authorize the Superintendent to renew an agreement with the Ohio State University School of Health and Rehabilitation Services for the period beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2023, in an amount not to exceed \$41,273, second by Ms. Crawford. Motion carried unanimously.
- f. Ms. Crawford moved to authorize Superintendent to reject bids for trash removal and rebid, second by Mr. Bickley. Motion carried unanimously.
- g. Mr. Bickley moved to authorize the Superintendent to accept bids for snow removal at various prices for shoveling, plowing, per ton of salt and per bag of calcium, as follows: GAG (Quadrant A), Environmental Management Inc. (Quadrant B), Watson & Sons (Quadrant C), and Watsons Lawn Care (Quadrant D), for an initial two year term beginning October 28, 2022 and ending September 30, 2024 with the option of three additional one-year renewals, second by Ms. Crawford. Motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS – Board member Straughter announced that Tech Ambassadors recently conducted training on Internet Safety and are also looking for a DSP to be a Tech Ambassador.

ANNOUNCEMENTS –

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC –

ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mr. Davis motioned to go into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter; Ms. Crawford seconded the motion. Roll call was taken by Ms. Magginis:

Voting 'Yes' - Mr. Underwood; Mr. Davis; Mr. Bickley; Ms. Straughter; Ms. Crawford

No members voted 'No.'

The Board entered Executive Session.

Following the Executive Session, the October 27, 2022 regular meeting of the Franklin County Board of Developmental Disabilities was adjourned by Mr. Underwood.

Respectfully submitted,



Bill Wilkins
Secretary