

ERIE COUNTY BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES
Main Conference Room, 4405 Galloway Road, Sandusky, Ohio 44870

"The Erie County Board of Developmental Disabilities empowers people and their families while living, working, learning and being part of their community"

Meeting Minutes
November 19, 2015

PRESENT:

Kay Mackey, Eric Kibler, Jude Theibert, Stacie Schmid, David Stuck, Don Sieg, Carrie Beier, Rachel Malone and Diane Corso.

VISITORS WHO SIGNED IN:

Sherry Espisito, Ron Beverick, Pat Steffanni, Sharon Travis, Jim Meade, Jennifer Kinney, Felicia Zendejas and Bob Wright. (Others attended but did not sign in)

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL: 5:01 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ron, Julia and Samantha Beverick shared concerns regarding the 2016 contract rate changes for transportation providers, specifically independent provider rates for those trips under 10 miles. Concerns were voiced that the County Board would now be a provider of last resort option only. Concerns were shared that personally some people feel Taxis' are not an option they would be willing to choose. Samantha Beverick also shared she was not comfortable with using a taxi service due to the fact that there are different drivers and they are unfamiliar to her. Mr. Schoennege shared the new rate for the under 10 mile zone might make it difficult for independent providers to continue to provide that service. It may make it difficult to find new providers. The Bevericks agreed to work with the County Board to move forward on what might work best as we move forward. The Beverick's also shared with the Board that they are pleased with the many supports that the County Board provides.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

A Motion was made by Mr. Jude Theibert to approve the September 17, 2015 Board Meeting Minutes with the following correction: This motion was second by Mr. David Stuck and the motion carried.

DEPARTMENTAL UPDATE-ANNUAL PLAN UPDATE

Next Report is scheduled for December 2015.

BOARD ACTION

A. ETHICS COMMITTEE

The Following providers have been selected by an individual and their family to provide services through and Individual Budget. The individual is a new provider of services for whom the Board does not have a current signed contract. The contract listed below will result in payment by the Board to an immediate family member of an eligible individual. This resolution authorizes the Superintendent to sign the service contract on behalf of the Board.

Mr. Don Sieg made a motion to authorize the Superintendent to approve the following contracts:

a. Koren Orman

Mr. Jude Theibert second the motion with all in favor the motion carried.

B. FINANCE

SEPTEMBER 2015 FINANCE REPPORT: Mr. Jude Theibert made a motion to approve the September, 2015 Finance Report. Ms. Kay Mackey second the motion and with all members in favor the motion carried.

OCTOBER 2015 FINANCE REPORT: Mr. Jude Theibert made a motion to approve the October, 2015 Finance Report David Stuck second the motion.

The Finance committee reported Waiver Fund and Capital Contingency fund transfers for 2015.

OLD BUSINESS

Policy Committee

The Board policy committee met and reviewed and is recommending the following Policies/Procedures for Board Approval:

Family Directed Resources Policy and Procedures

Ms. Kay Mackey made a motion to approve the Ethics Policy and Procedures as reviewed and submitted to the Board by the Policy Committee. This motion was second by Ms. Stacie Schmid; all were in favor and motion carried.

Proper use of Public Funds Policy and Procedures

Ms. Stacie Schmid made a motion to approve the Individual Supports Policy and Procedures as reviewed and submitted to the Board by the Policy Committee with format, grammar, and implementation plan addition as discussed. This motion was second by Mr. David Stuck; all were in favor and motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

OACBDD Annual Conference and Delegate Meeting will be held the December 2nd through 4th. Mr. Jude Theibert made a motion for Carrie Beier / Superintendent to serve as Erie County Delegate Meeting at the Wednesday December 2nd Delegate Meeting. Ms. Kay Mackey seconded the motion. Motion passed all in favor.

Mr. David Stuck made a motion to approve adding the Children's Option Manager to the Table of Organization for 2016. Ms. Stacie Schmid second the motion. Motion passed with all in favor.

The Draft 2016 Budget was presented to Board Members for review. Any feedback regarding the Draft Budget was requested to be given to the Finance Committee or Finance Director or Superintendent before the next Finance Committee meeting on Tuesday 12-15-15.

Superintendent Report

The Superintendent reported on various events and initiatives happening at the Board. Below are highlights from this report:

Conflict of Interest (Conflict Free Case Management) Update:

WE have completed our Benchmark Plan for Transportation to the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities and submitted it for approval. We are awaiting approval from DODD. Attached you will find a DRAFT Workshop Privatization Map developed by superintendents to provide a state over view.

Independent Provider Update:

We have received no updates from OACB or the Department on this issue. We are predicting for the future DODD will be including Self Direction in all of Ohio DD waivers in the future. We do not have a time line on when that would happen.

Legislation Update:

Legislation is expected before the end of 2015 which will clarify the status of Independent Providers and questions regarding public employee status. I will share any updates once we receive them.

Other:

Erie County Board of DD Family Information Network (FIN) met on the second Wednesday of September and October. The topics for the meeting were waivers and transportation.

We have hired Jaclene Pisano who will be starting in the Community Connections Department she will start on November 23rd and begin the orientation process. We have scheduled interviews to fill the second position. We have sent out multiple communications keeping individuals eligible for that program up to date on the process.

Management and the Health Care Committee have collaborated over the past several months to evaluate and assess 2016 Health Care options with our Broker McGohan Brabender. For 2016 we will have 2 options available, a PPO and HSA similar to our 2015 options. The process went smoothly and we will be looking to save on our health care costs by developing and implementing a more formalized wellness program in 2016. We have been in contact with Nance Ostrander (Director Erie County HR) to look into joining their formal wellness program. We are waiting to see if that is something we can collaborate on for the future.

I attended the following meetings, trainings and activities; Sandusky Kiwanis Meeting, Erie Co. Self-Advocate Meeting, OACBDD State Board of Trustee Meeting, Superintendent Executive Committee Meeting, Region 1 Superintendent Meeting, ECBDD HR Lunch & Learn Training, Superintendent Early Intervention Executive Committee Meeting, Erie County FCFC Executive Committee meeting, Synergy Conference, Ohio Department of Health Help Me Grow Advisory and Clearwater COG Leadership training.

The Erie County Board of DD held our First Annual Opening Doors Award Banquet at Mesenburg's in Huron Ohio on October 1st. Six awards were given out to local providers, employers and agencies. It was a great evening and well attended. We are looking forward to next year and planning to make this evening even more special. A special thank you to Jennifer Yingling for her hard work in putting this first ever event together. A thank you to all other individuals, families and staff who helped with this event.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Executive began 6:21 p.m.. Mr. Don Sieg made a motion to go into Executive Session for matters required to be kept confidential by federal and state law. The motion was second by Stacie Schmid. Roll call vote followed:

Eric Kibler	AYE
David Stuck	AYE
Jude Theibert	AYE
Kay Mackey	AYE
Howard Collins	ABSENT
Don Sieg	AYE
Stacie Schmid	AYE

At 6:45 p.m. the Board exited Executive Session.

Mr. Jude Thiebert made a motion to authorize the Superintendent to approve the requested Individual Budget amount of \$62,146.00 for A.H.#1 for his new span year to cover the needed services and supports. Ms. Kay Mackey second the motion. Roll call vote followed:

Eric Kibler	AYE
David Stuck	AYE
Jude Theibert	AYE
Kay Mackey	AYE
Howard Collins	ABSENT
Don Sieg	AYE
Stacie Schmid	AYE

Mr. David Stuck made a motion to authorize the Superintendent to approve the requested Individual Budget amount of \$30,041.32 for AH#2 for his new span year to cover the needed services and supports. Ms. Stacie Schmid second the motion. Roll call vote followed:

Eric Kibler	AYE
David Stuck	AYE
Jude Theibert	AYE
Kay Mackey	AYE
Howard Collins	ABSENT

Don Sleg AYE
Stacie Schmid AYE

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Jude Thiebert made a motion to adjourn the Board meeting at 6:50 p.m. The motion was second by Ms. Kay Mackey and with all members in favor the November board meeting was adjourned.



Recording Secretary

12/21/15

Date