

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
December 17, 2015

PRESENT:

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

VISITORS WHO SIGNED IN:

Jim Meade, Jennifer Kinney, Felicia Zendejas, Jenny Kinney, Megan Etzel and Bob Wright.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL: 5:02 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jim Meade shared the following information on behalf of the Self Advocates of Erie County:

- A special election was held at the November Self Advocates meeting to elect a new Secretary. Samantha Beverick was elected Secretary.
- The advocates help a Poinsettia Sale and earned a profit of \$728.00. They exceeded the goal they set of \$650.00.
- Two of the goals set for 2016 were to bring in more speakers to share information on topics of interest and to sponsor and support advocacy through art through a community art event in the spring of 2016.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

A Motion was made by Mr. Jude Theibert to approve the November 19, 2015 Board Meeting Minutes with the following correction: This motion was second by Ms. Kay Mackey and the motion carried.

ANNUAL AND STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE

2015 – 2017 Strategic Plan update was shared with the Board including: 2015 actions completed, actions carried over for continuation in 2016, actions removed as no longer appropriate and new actions to be accomplished for the future.

2016 Draft Annual Action Plan was shared for feedback and final approval in January 2016.

BOARD ACTION

A. ETHICS COMMITTEE

Resolution #: 12-43-2015

The Following providers have been selected by an individual and their family to provide services through and Individual Budget. The providers listed below have signed a 2016 contract. The contracts listed below will result in payment by the Board to an immediate family member of an eligible individual eligible for county board services. This resolution authorizes the Superintendent to sign the service contract on behalf of the Board. Services may be provided to this and any other individual that may select them to provide services.

Mr. Howard Collins made a motion to authorize the Superintendent to approve the following contracts:

- a. Laura Adkins***
- b. Joseph Beverick***
- c. Judith Burkhardt***
- d. Jordon Burel***
- e. Ruth Burger***
- f. Barb Carson***
- g. Lisa Cassel***
- h. Hannah Critelli***
- i. Sequinsce Davis***
- j. Allison Dreschel***
- k. Shasta Fleming***
- l. Gail Foos***
- m. Hayley Gonzalez***
- n. Michelle Grimes***
- o. Stephanie Lawrence***
- p. Connor Mapus***
- q. Shirley McGill***
- r. Lyndsey Paris***
- s. Julie Roth***
- t. Jessica Sowder***
- u. Glenda Sugaski***
- v. Bonnie Ward***
- w. J.Jeff Warren***
- x. Anthony Wobser***
- y. David Wolff***
- z. Mary Wolff***
- aa. Jennifer Zahniser***

Ms. Stacie Schmid second the motion with all in favor the motion carried.

Resolution #: 12-42-2015

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.

Ms. Stacie Schmid made a motion to authorize the Superintendent to approve the following contracts:

a. Hannah Critelli

Ms. Kay Mackey second the motion with all in favor the motion carried.

B. FINANCE

NOVEMBER FINANCE REPORT: **Mr. David Stuck made a motion to approve the November, 2015 Finance Report. Mr. Howard Collins second the motion and with all members in favor the motion passed.**

2016 Budget Acceptance: **Mr. Jude Theibert made a motion to approve the 2016 Erie Co. Bd. of DD Budget. Mr. David Stuck second the motion with all members in favor the motion passed.**

Resolution #: 12-40-2015

Approval of Service Contracts:

According to the Board's fiscal policy, any program and professional contracts over \$25,000 must be approved by the Board before it is encumbered.

Ms. Kay Mackey made a motion to authorize the Superintendent to approve the following contracts upon receipt of a certificate of available funds from the Erie County Auditor:

1. Advanced Computer Connections, Inc. (IT support)
2. Advanced Health, LTD (occupational and physical therapy)
3. United HealthCare (health insurance)
4. ARC of Erie County (family directed resources)
5. Blaugrund, Herbert , Kessler, Miller, Myers & Postalakis, Inc. (legal services)
6. City of Sandusky – STS (transportation)
7. Clearwater COG (various services)
8. Kirra Day (physical therapy)
9. Delta Dental (dental insurance)
10. Dublin Management Group (human resources/labor negotiations)
11. North Coast Community Homes (housing management)
12. The Billing Connection (Medicaid and Title XX billing and monitoring)

Ms. Stacie Schmid second the motion with all in favor the motion passed.

Resolution #: 12-41-2015

The following providers have been selected by an individual and their family to provide services through an individual budget. The providers listed have a signed 2016 contract. The contracts listed below will result in payment by the Board greater than \$25,000 in 2016. This resolution authorizes the superintendent to sign the service contract on behalf of the board. Services may be provided to this and any other individual that may select them to provide services.

Mr. David Stuck made a motion to authorize the Superintendent to approve the resolution above for the following contracts:

Provider >\$25,000

**Ability Works, Inc
AM/PM 24/7 Taxi
Erie Residential Living
First Choice of Ohio
Goodwill Industries
Life Out Loud
Lucy Idol Center
Majestic Taxi
Partners in Community
Precious Places
Renaissance House
REM, OHIO
Rising Sun Centers
Riverview Industries, Inc.
Sandusky Transit System
Speedway Enterprises
Viaquest
Wynn Reeth**

Ms. Stacie Schmid second the motion with all in favor the motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

Policy Committee

There were no policies for review this month.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. January 2016 Organizational meeting will require election of 2016 officers and reappointment of committee members.
- B. Annual Action Plan 2016 will be reviewed and is slated for approval at January 2016 Board mtg.

Superintendent Report

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

- The Erie County Board of DD hosted The 7th Annual Santa's workshop on December 5th with 350 people attending. Lions Club did the Pancake Breakfast with help from volunteers. We shared our Draft 2016 Annual Action Plan and received feedback from many families. Management will review the feedback and make adjustments as appropriate. It was a great day and everyone enjoyed the activities! (pictures attached)
- Diane Corso (Erie County Board of DD) and Steve McPeck (North Coast Community Homes) presented at the OACB conference on Wednesday, December 2, on the topic of Third Party Property Management. The session was well attended and Diane and Steve answered many questions for those who attended their presentation.
- The Erie County Board of DD Family Information Network (FIN) chose not to meet in December. They will be meeting again on January 6, 6:00 here at the Erie Co. Bd. of DD. The topic for the night will be benefits analysis.
- We have completed interviews for the second Community Connections position and have offered the position to Hiedi Staltaro. Her first day will be January 4, 2016
- Discussions are taking place with the Erie County HR Dept. to pursue our employees participating in the Erie County Wellness Program. We will hopefully have details finalized in early January 2016. I believe this benefit will be well received by our employees and assist us in our future negotiations for affordable health care benefits.
- The Delegate Assembly at the OACBDD Annual Board meeting passed a resolution in support of local county boards maintaining and strengthening the SSA service and participating in a work group to investigate local county board options regarding oversight/monitoring of private providers and their services. County Boards are divided on this topic. County Boards are wanting to define what monitoring/oversight would actually look like.
- The Ohio Dept. of Developmental Disabilities is attempting to address the Dept. of Labor's overtime compliance rules for Medicaid providers and is looking to address this issue through the local SSA service. All Superintendent have strong feelings that this is not the role of the SSA and puts local SSA's in the unwanted position of setting hours and schedules which is not the role of the SSA or County Boards. County Boards will be addressing these concerns with the Department and working towards a better resolution of address provider overtime compensation.

Federal, State and Local Updates and Hot Topics

Independent Provider Issue

Update:

Legislation

General Assembly: 131

Short Title: Public employment-limit use of criminal records in hiring/employment

Long Title: To amend sections 124.11, 124.34, 329.021, 2953.36, 4121.121, 5120.38, 5120.381, 5120.382, 5123.08, and 5139.02 and to enact sections 9.73 and 5164.44 of the Revised Code to prohibit public employers from including on an employment application any question concerning the criminal background of the applicant, to prohibit a felony conviction from being used against an officer or employee when a public employer is undertaking certain employment practices, unless the conviction occurs while the officer or employee is employed in the civil service, to remove the bar against sealing a conviction record when the victim is 16 or 17 years old, and to provide that certain independent providers are not employees of the state or a political subdivision.

Primary Sponsor: [Representative Kirk Schuring](#), [Representative Stephen Slesnick](#)
Status: As Passed by the Senate

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Executive began 5:53 p.m.. Ms. Kay Mackey 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 Mr. David Stuck. Roll call vote followed:

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

At 6:07 p.m. the Board exited Executive Session.

Mr. David Stuck made a motion to authorize the Superintendent to approve the requested Individual Budget amount of \$134,196.48 for G.O. for her new span year to cover the needed services and supports. Mr. Howard Collins second the motion. Roll call vote followed:

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

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Jude Thiebert made a motion to adjourn the Board meeting at 7:10 p.m. The motion was second by Mr. David Stuck and with all members in favor the December board meeting was adjourned.

Recording Secretary

Date