

Paulding County Board of Developmental Disabilities - Meeting Minutes

June 18, 2020 - 4:00 p.m. Via Zoom

The June 18, 2020 Regular Board meeting of the Paulding County Board of Developmental Disabilities was called to order at 4:06 p.m.

Roll call: Pam Miller (excused), Tiffany Straley, Joe Cramer (excused), Tim Sinn, Marcia Hernandez, Cheryl Farley, and Kevin Albright (late arrival 4:20p).

Guests Present: None

Agenda

To approve the June 18, 2020 meeting agenda:

Motion: 28

Motion: Tiffany Straley

Second: Tim Sinn

Motion approved unanimously.

Minutes

To approve the May 21, 2020 meeting minutes:

Motion: 29

Motion: Tim Sinn

Second: Cheryl Farley

Motion approved unanimously.

Financial Reports

To approve the May 2020 financial reports:

Motion: 30

Motion: Tim Sinn

Second: Tiffany Straley

Motion approved unanimously.

Superintendent Report

PC Workshop is beginning the process of opening back up. During the shutdown period they have been working on ways to better meet the needs of those they support. They are trying to combine in person services with virtual services. It will be a slow reintegration with limits of 10 people per setting. PC has developed a plan that will provide ways to support people in meaningful ways and at the same time create a model that will allow the workshop to remain financially viable. Because of the limitation on numbers in a setting DODD has adjusted the payment for services to reflect the smaller group sizes. This will allow people receiving services to gradually return at the smaller group sizes safely. This modification to payment rates will be evaluated every 30 days. We are still waiting for guidance for transportation.

DODD has issued visitation guidance for waiver settings. The guidance includes educating people on appropriate safety precautions, encourage DSPs and visitors coming into homes to always wear face coverings, frequent cleaning of high touch surfaces, continue to utilize technology to keep in touch, and evaluate whether outdoor visitation would be more appropriate.

Early Intervention continues to provide most services to families through virtual contact. Recent guidance from DODD encourages continuation of this method but recommends a risk and benefit analysis be conducted to determine if in person contact may occur.

Summit Housing Corporation visited Paulding to discuss an opportunity to join with their nonprofit housing board. This would provide opportunities for PCBDD to acquire homes in the community that would provide affordable housing for individuals with developmental disabilities.

Dunbar Mechanical has completed the HVAC project and will be conducting a final walk through.

PCBDD has acquired a supply of Personal Protective Equipment that is being shared with providers.

Paulding County Soil & Water contacted PCBDD regarding a plan to develop a community garden on the ParLane grounds. Part of the plan would be to use the former playground. Soil & Water would provide the labor and PCBDD would help with any costs. They are working on cost projections.

OACBDD has been working on financial projections that will assist county boards as we plan our budget cycle. The pandemic has created much uncertainty and has made forecasting more challenging. OACBDD may have provided this update by the time of our Board meeting.

Summer Therapy

To approve the Western Buckeye ESC Summer Therapy Agreement.

Motion: 31

Motion: Tim Sinn

Second: Cheryl Farley

Motion approved unanimously.

Speech and Language Services

To approve the renewal of the Professional Services Agreement with Jill Welch for Speech and Language Services for Early Intervention.

Motion: 32

Motion: Tiffany Straley

Second: Cheryl Farley

Motion approved unanimously.

Adjournment

To adjourn the June 18, 2020 regular Board meeting at 4:55 p.m.

Motion: 33

Motion: Cheryl Farley

Second: Kevin Albright

Motion approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Farley, Recording Secretary