

**Paulding County Board of Developmental Disabilities
Meeting Minutes**

August 20, 2020 - 4:00 p.m. Via Zoom

The August 20, 2020, Regular Board meeting of the Paulding County Board of Developmental Disabilities was called to order at 4:01 p.m.

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

Guests Present: Jamison Clark presenting an update on PC Workshop operations and Tom Jacobs and Tom Armstrong presenting information on Summit Housing Development Corporation.

Agenda

To approve the August 20, 2020 meeting agenda:

Motion: 34

Motion: Joe Cramer

Second: Tim Sinn

Motion approved unanimously.

Minutes

To approve the June 18, 2020 meeting minutes:

Motion: 35

Motion: Tim Sinn

Second: Pam Miller

Motion approved unanimously.

Financial Reports

To approve the June and July 2020 financial reports:

Motion: 36

Motion: Joe Cramer

Second: Pam Miller

Motion approved unanimously.

Reports

Superintendent:

1. County Board staff continue to work from home. Staff are in the office occasionally. They are in contact with individuals regularly. Most assessments and other contacts are being done virtually.
2. Through July DODD and the Governor's office provided pandemic guidance on a continuous basis. This included guidance for adult day services, early intervention, and return to work. The State established color coding for counties to identify areas of higher risk. If the spread of the virus met certain levels safety precautions were increased. On July 17 the Governor issued an order requiring public mask use in 17 counties at high risk.
3. Early Intervention is doing virtual visits for most families. They are also doing a few in person (outside) visits. We continue to follow the recommendations from the State.
4. PC Workshop is opening back up. Megan Sierra will be presenting an update at the August Board meeting.
5. The State anticipates guidance on transportation soon.
6. There is a State workgroup that was created to develop and implement a single assessment and template for adults that will be used across the State.
7. Changes in Medicaid funding have benefitted county boards and day service providers. Medicaid is an arrangement between the Federal government and the states. In Ohio the local county board is responsible for the State portion of the match. During the pandemic part of the Federal stimulus package increased the Federal percentage of Medicaid and the State's portion was decreased. This has been a saving's for county boards. Additionally, Medicaid payments for day services were increased to assist day service providers. This week a request was made to the Federal government to allow a onetime payment to residential providers.

New Business

WBESC Requests for Services

To approve the Summer Speech Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Occupational Therapy Request for Services Agreements with Western Buckeye ESC.

Motion: 37

Motion: Kevin Albright

Second: Joe Cramer

Motion approved unanimously.

Adjournment

To adjourn the August 20, 2020 regular Board meeting at 4:58 p.m.

Motion: 38

Motion: Pam Miller

Second: Joe Cramer

Motion approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Farley,
Recording Secretary