

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

January 21, 2021 - 4:00 p.m.

The January 21, 2021, **Organizational Board meeting** of the Paulding County Board of Developmental Disabilities was called to order at 4:05 p.m.

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

Election of Officers for 2021

Nominations:

2021 President: Marcia Hernandez

2021 Vice President: Joe Cramer

2021 Secretary: Cheryl Farley

To approve slate of Officers as presented.

Motion: 1

Motion: Kevin Albright

Second: Tim Sinn

Motion approved unanimously.

Finance Committee and Ethics Council Appointments

Finance Committee: Marcia Hernandez, Tim Sinn, Joe Cramer

Ethics Council: Cheryl Farley, Marcia Hernandez, Pam Miller

Board Meeting Time

To set the monthly Board Meeting time of 4:00 p.m. on the 3rd Thursday of each month unless otherwise noted:

Motion: 2

Motion: Tim Sinn

Second: Cheryl Farley

Motion approved unanimously.

Resolution

To approve the Resolution authorizing the Superintendent to pay Board obligations for 2021:

Motion: 3

Motion: Cheryl Farley

Second: Kevin Albright

Motion approved unanimously.

Resolution

To approve the Resolution authorizing the Superintendent to transfer funds within the 2021 appropriations:

Motion: 4

Motion: Tim Sinn

Second: Kevin Albright

Motion approved unanimously.

Adjournment

To adjourn the January 21, 2021 Organizational Meeting at 4:010p.m.:

Motion: 5

Motion: Cheryl Farley

Second: Tim Sinn

Motion approved unanimously.

Regular January 2021 Board Meeting

Call to Order: 4:10 p.m.

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

Guests: Roy Klopfenstein, Paulding County Commissioner, and Ken Amstutz, Paulding Schools Superintendent

Agenda

To approve the January 21, 2021 meeting agenda:

Motion: 6

Motion: Cheryl Farley

Second: Kevin Albright

Motion approved unanimously.

Minutes

To approve the November 17, 2020 meeting minutes:

Motion: 7

Motion: Cheryl Farley

Second: Tim Sinn

Motion approved unanimously.

Financial Reports

To approve the November and December 2020 financial reports:

Motion: 8

Motion: Cheryl Farley

Second: Tim Sinn

Motion approved unanimously.

Reports

Superintendent:

1. COVID VACCINE- Pfizer Vaccine arrived in Ohio on December 14. First shipments went to prepositioned hospitals and CVS/Walgreen's to administer to nursing homes and veteran's homes. Moderna vaccine arrived on December 22. Schedules for population were divided into priorities. Tier 1a included licensed facilities serving the developmental disabilities population. Additionally, in congregate settings where two or more individuals with developmental disabilities live the individuals and support staff are included. PCBDD provided data regarding numbers of people who qualified for Tier 1a to the State of Ohio and to the local Health Department. Paulding's Health Department began scheduling the vaccine the first week of January.
2. Phase 1b was announced and includes Ohioans 65 or older, school personnel, and people with developmental disabilities who were not include in Phase 1a. DODD is in the process of compiling and sending lists of eligible people within each county to receive the vaccine. It is scheduled to begin January 25. County Boards of DD are being asked to notify people and families when the vaccine comes available in their county, where it will be administered, and the process a person must follow to receive the vaccine.
3. DODD was prepared to release the Ohio Individual Service Plan but have postponed release until late summer. The new plan is designed to provide continuity across the State and simplify the process. The postponement will provide the time to properly test the platform while preparing to train all parts of our system thoroughly before implementation.
4. On December 31 Governor DeWine issued new guidelines for the pandemic. He extended the statewide curfew. Also, students and teachers exposed to a COVID positive person in school will no longer be required to quarantine as long as the exposure occurred in a classroom where all were wearing masks.
5. Ohio Department of Medicaid and DODD, with financial support of Ohio's County Boards of DD, have requested federal approval for additional relief payments to eligible DD waiver providers. Payments will be calculated as a percentage of the total amount of claims for specific services that have been received by DODD by noon on Wednesday 01/13/2021 for dates of service from 08/01/2020 through 10/31/2020.

6. Providers of day services receive reimbursement at 3 levels based on supports needed by the individuals served. The categories are tiered as Acuity level A ,A1, B, and C, with C reimbursed at the highest rate. Since July providers have been reimbursed at the C rate for all individuals receiving qualifying services. Beginning January 1, 2021 ADS providers will be reimbursed at Acuity B rates for people whose acuity group assignment A, A1, or B. Those assigned to Acuity Group C will continue to reimburse at the C rate.

7. Summit Housing Development Corporation purchased a home at 1098 North Williams Street. This home will provide affordable housing for three individuals. PCBDD staff met with SHDC to look at the home and identify any renovations needed before occupancy.

Guests of the Board were Roy Klopfenstein (County Commissioner) and Ken Amstutz (Superintendent Paulding Exempted Schools). They discussed the facility needs of the school district and the County Probate Court. The school is in need of space for an alternative school and the Court is need of space for an assessment center. They are exploring buildings in Paulding and the ParcLane facility is able to meet the needs of both parties. Various options for relocating PCBDD were also discussed. Board members will visit a site to determine the feasibility of relocating.

New Business

Board Authorization Delegation

To approve the Resolution for Board Authorization Delegation; naming James Stripe, Superintendent, Staci Haney, Executive Assistant/HR, and Andrea Hammons, Business Manager, as authorized signers for Purchase Orders, Vouchers, Payroll, Change of Appropriation Forms, and Change of Estimated Revenue Forms. This authorization stands for one year.

Motion: 9

Motion: Kevin Albright

Second: Tim Sinn

Motion approved unanimously.

Amended Soil & Water/Ditch Maintenance Lease Agreement

To approve the amended Lease Agreement, reducing monthly rent to \$300.

Motion: 10

Motion: Cheryl Farley

Second: Tim Sinn

Motion approved unanimously.

2021 Help Me Grow Rent Agreement

To approve the 2021 Help Me Grow Rent Agreement at no cost for the 2021 calendar year.

Motion:11

Motion: Kevin Albright

Second: Cheryl Farley

Motion approved unanimously.

Adjournment

To adjourn the January 21, 2021 regular Board meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Motion: 12

Motion: Cheryl Farley

Second: Tim Sinn

Motion approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Farley, Secretary

