

Paulding County Board of Developmental Disabilities - Meeting Minutes

June 22, 2023 - 4:00 p.m.

The June 22, 2023 Regular Board meeting of the Paulding County Board of Developmental Disabilities was called to order at 4:03 p.m.

Roll call: Tim Sinn (Excused), Marcia Hernandez, Cheryl Farley, Cindy Peters, Stacy Mangette, Lora Lyons (late arrival) and Kevin Albright.

Guests Present: Emmi Johnson, Denise Kinder

Agenda

To approve the June 22, 2023 meeting agenda:

Motion: 36

Motion: Kevin Albright

Second: Cheryl Farley

Motion approved unanimously.

Minutes

To approve the May 18, 2023 meeting minutes:

Motion: 37

Motion: Cindy Peters

Second: Stacy Mangette

Motion approved unanimously.

Financial Reports

To approve the May 2023 financial reports:

Motion: 38

Motion: Cindy Peters

Second: Cheryl Farley

Motion approved unanimously.

Superintendent Report

1. Ohio Senate continues to work on the state's biennial budget bill. Senate leaders are evaluating the 1,500+ amendments submitted by lawmakers.
2. OACB has been strongly advocating for several provisions in this budget relevant to county boards and the Ohio DD system. Reimbursement Rate increase: support of a statewide average of 20/hour for DSPs funded by State of Ohio. Governor's version provided for \$16/hour average wage, which House increased OACB is discussing county boards contributing an additional \$1/hour to support the final increase to \$20/hour.
3. Mandated appointment of County Board Members eligible for services. An amendment in the House gave county commissioners flexibility to defer such appointments when they are unable to make a qualifying appointment.
4. Omnibus amendment permits county board members to join meetings remotely. Members must still attend a minimum percentage of meetings in person.
5. First round of interviews for the Secretary/Special Olympics Coordinator will be completed Friday, June 23.
6. PCBDD, County Commissioners, and County Maintenance Director met with representative from AMERESCO, a renewable energy company, to discuss grant opportunity for MPO building. The grant provides \$250K per building from \$13M Ohio received from Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act. \$8M is earmarked for the "Ohio Community Program". It targets local government buildings in need of energy efficient upgrades.
7. PCBDD SSAs are currently working on the Ohio ISP rollout. It is a statewide format that is being used in assessment and plan development for individuals receiving county board services.
8. SSAs are working on an increase in referrals as well as assisting some individuals relocating to other counties.

Early Intervention Report

We currently have 29 kids enrolled in the Early Intervention Program. With those still in the intake process we are at 32 kids. Below is a chart from the last two months on how many were referred, how many were evaluated, and how many took our services. (The referral number is the number that our central intake received. Some of those referrals do not make it to us as the family may not respond to central intake.)

We recently hired another staff to help us with the evaluation/assessments of kids referred and ones enrolled. (Each enrolled child has an assessment completed annually). We also have a new speech pathologist due to our current one leaving the position.

Month	Referrals	Evaluated/Screened	Took Services
April	5	1 evaluated and 3 screened	1
May	11	0 evaluated and 3 screened	1 was already enrolled and another moved from another county

Remote Work Policy

To recommend approval of the Remote Working Policy.

Motion: 39

Motion: Lora Lyons

Second: Stacy Mangette

Motion approved unanimously.

PCW Sponsorship

To recommend approval of PC Workshop, Inc. Sponsorship for 2023.

Motion: 40

Motion: Kevin Albright

Second: Lora Lyons

Motion approved unanimously.

Adjournment

To adjourn the June 22, 2023 regular Board meeting at 4:43 p.m.

Motion: 41

Motion: Cindy Peters

Second: Lora Lyons

Motion approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Farley, Recording Secretary