

CLERMONT COUNTY BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES
Regular Board Meeting
October 22, 2020

The regular meeting of the Clermont County Board of Developmental Disabilities was held on October 22, 2020 at the Thomas A. Wildey Center, 2040 US Highway 50, Batavia, Ohio 45103.

President Robert Grant called the meeting to order at 5:35pm.

All present joined Mr. Weir in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Janie Pfankuch called the roll. All members were present.

Resolution 20-118

Mr. Chapman made a motion seconded by Mrs. Pellington to approve the Agenda as presented. Upon roll call, all members voted yea. Motion carried.

Resolution 20-119

Mrs. Pellington made a motion seconded by Mrs. Chesnut that the Board approve the September 24, 2020 Regular Board Meeting Minutes. Upon roll call, all members voted yea with the exception of Mr. Grant who abstained. Motion carried.

Resolution 20-120

Mr. Weir made a motion seconded by Mrs. Chesnut that the Board approve the Operations Report and Payment of Bills. Recap to be made part of the CCDD Journal. Upon roll call, all members voted yea. Motion carried.

Mr. Thamann asked Beth under the Eligibility Breakout section, there were four kids that did not qualify. Beth stated that EI uses an evaluation tool. They did not meet the scoring qualifications. Beth stated even though they did not qualify for EI services, they do get directed to other resources.

Thank you to Beth and Lori for all the Success Stories.

Resolution 20-121

Mrs. Chesnut made a motion seconded by Mrs. Pellington that the Board approve the Directors' Reports as presented in the Board Packet. Upon roll call, all members voted yea. Motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

The Halloween Drive Thru was held on Wednesday 10/21/2020. It was very well attended. Each department set up a space in the front circle drive. Cars pulled in off 50, drove around the circle and exited thru the back gate onto Benton Road. Staff and participants had a great time.

The Good Fortune Recognition Awards will take place on Tuesday October 27, 2020 at 6:00pm. You will be able to watch the ceremony on Facebook Live.

A Planning Session will take place following the Board Meeting.

The December Board Meeting is scheduled for December 10, 2020 at 5:30pm at the Thomas A. Wildey Center. Prior to the Board Meeting the Ethics Committee will meet at 5:00pm. Both meetings will be held in the Wildey Cafeteria.

A report was provided by Dan and Jody about the school age program and the status of serving students since returning in person in the middle of August. Over the summer, Jody and Dan worked with other County and State officials to develop a Restart/Reopen plan for the school. This plan was shared with the Board at the July Board meeting emailed to each member for their review. Everything was running well for two months, then we received notification of our first official Covid-19 case in one of the staff. The Health Department was notified, the classroom was quarantine and deeply cleaned and disinfected. Then another staff's family member started exhibiting symptoms. After some discussion with the Health Department, Jody and Dan made the decision to return to virtual learning. The following are the different ways the teachers work with the students.

- 1. Schoology is the online platform that is being used by every teacher and therapist. An hour of new content is added to the Courses each day.*
- 2. Virtual Individual Session – Teacher/Assistant works with the student.*
- 3. Group Virtual Session – Teacher/Assistant/Students work as a group so they can see all their friends.*
- 4. Bring student in for a 30-minute session with OT/PT/Speech – Staff only is with a student for 10 minutes at a session. The student comes in, takes their temperature and if not fever they will continue to the gym for their therapy session.*
- 5. Swim – Waiting for an okay from the Health Department. This would be student and parent only in the pool. Lifeguard would be on deck and one staff person to help assist, but not in the pool.*
- 6. Snack Bags – When the student leaves, they will receive a snack bag.*

The Plan is to return to school on January 4, 2021.

Some suggestions on bringing students back after the first of the year.

Monday and Tuesday – Milford and West Clermont

Wednesday – No Students to deep clean and disinfect

Thursday and Friday – All other districts

The Board commends Jody and her staff for all the hard work they have done to keep everyone healthy and safe.

Resolution 20-122

Mrs. Chesnut made a motion seconded by Mrs. Pellington that the Clermont County Board of Developmental Disabilities approve Policy 400 – Early Childhood Program as submitted. Upon roll call, all members voted yea. Motion carried.

Resolution 20-123

Mr. Weir made a motion seconded by Mr. Thamann that the Clermont County Board of Developmental Disabilities approve Policy 500 – School Age Program as submitted. Upon roll call, all members voted yea. Motion carried.

Resolution 20-124

Mrs. Pellington made a motion seconded by Mrs. Chesnut that the Clermont County Board of Developmental Disabilities approve Policy 1300 – Behavioral Health Services as submitted. Upon roll call, all members voted yea. Motion carried.

Resolution 20-125

Mr. Thamann made a motion seconded by Mrs. West that the Clermont County Board of Developmental Disabilities will continue in 2021 to execute a plan for the conversion of one week of vacation leave to cash for leave that is accrued but not used, during the 2021 calendar year as defined as January 1 through December 31, as part of an annual conversion plan for Management and non-bargaining employees. Upon roll call, all members voted yea. Motion carried.

Resolution 20-126

Mrs. Pellington made a motion seconded by Mrs. Chesnut that the Clermont County Board of Developmental Disabilities authorize the Superintendent to create one full time Investigative Agent position effective immediately. This position is non bargaining unit eligible and will be scheduled for 40 hours a week, 255 days per year and eligible for all agency benefits. The salary will be subject to the related experience of the candidate within the range assigned to this position. Upon roll call, all members voted yea. Motion carried.

Resolution 20-127

Mr. Weir made a motion seconded by Mr. Chapman that the Clermont County Board of Developmental Disabilities approve the Superintendent's Report as presented. Upon roll call, all members voted yea. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Upon review of all direct service proposed payments as defined in 5126.03, the Ethics Committee found no evidence of preferential treatment or unreasonable payment for items on the September 2020 report.

Resolution 20-128

Mr. Chapman made a motion seconded by Mr. Thamann to ratify the Ethics Committee Report as presented for September 24, 2020. Upon roll call, all members voted yea. Motion carried.

Upon review of an Employee's request to work with a former child served and to use Family Resources funds to do so. Upon review, the Ethics Committee found no evidence of preferential treatment or unreasonable payments. The committee approved this for the current plan year and will review again in one year.

Resolution 20-129

Mr. Thamann made a motion seconded by Mrs. Chesnut to ratify the Ethics Committee Report as presented for October 14, 2020. Upon roll call, all members voted yea. Motion carried.

Resolution 20-130

Mrs. Chesnut made a motion seconded by Mrs. Pellington that the Clermont County Board of Developmental Disabilities approve the Program Services Committee Meeting Minutes for September 17, 2020. Upon roll call, all members voted yea. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 20-131

Mrs. Chesnut made motion seconded by Mr. Chapman that the Clermont County Board of Developmental Disabilities approve the contract with Light Source International LLC to purchase property located at 4275 Armstrong Boulevard, Batavia, Ohio 45103 and the assignment of interest in said property to Stray Dog Holdings LLC. Upon roll call, all members voted yea. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Chapman stated that the Public employee and Privet Sector from the Ethics Committee Report will be revisited in one year.

COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

Mr. Weir thanked Dan Ottke for offering James Taylor's services to pick up 31,000 youth mask and deliver them to the Clermont County Emergency Management Agency for distribution to the other Clermont County school districts.

ADJOURNMENT

Resolution 20-132

Mrs. West made a motion seconded by Mrs. Pellington that the Clermont County Board of Developmental Disabilities Adjourn. Time: 6:50pm



Emily Chesnut, Secretary

✚ Following the Board Meeting, a Planning Session took place. Mrs. Kim Pellington was unable to attend the planning session. The PowerPoint presentation - 2021 Planning Session will be added to the blue Board Journal Book.

The 2021-2023 Strategic Plan was presented to the Clermont County Board. Dan Ottke gave an introduction followed by Dave Slinger with Facilities, Sharon Richmond with Community Support Services, Beth Martin with Early Intervention and Lori Watkins with Behavioral Health Services.