CLERMONT COUNTY BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES Regular Board Meeting February 23, 2021

Debora Beebe, Secretary for the School Age Program was recognized by Dan Ottke, Superintendent for her winning theme for DD Awareness Month. She will be presented a plaque with her theme/logo on it.



The regular meeting of the Clermont County Board of Developmental Disabilities was held on February 23, 2021 as a virtual meeting on the Zoom Platform.

Vice President Mrs. Mary Jane West called the meeting to order at 5:37 pm.

Roll Call

Janie Pfankuch called the roll. All members were present with the exception of Dr. Larry Graham and Mr. Robert Grant who were absent excused.

Resolution 21-18

Mr. Weir made a motion seconded by Mrs. Chesnut to approve the Agenda. Upon roll call, all members voted yea. Motion carried.

Resolution 21-19

Mr. Thamann made a motion seconded by Mrs. Chesnut to approve the January 28, 2021 Reorganizational Board Meeting Minutes. Upon roll call, all members voted yea. Motion carried.

Resolution 21-20

Mrs. Chesnut made a motion seconded by Mr. Weir to approve the January 28, 2021 Regular Board Meeting Minutes. Upon roll call, all members voted yea. Motion carried.

Resolution 21-21

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

Beth reported that she and Arley will meet with their partner in Central Coordination through Bright Beginnings this week. They will begin to formulate the formal outreach plan. She stated they are very excited about the conversation and the idea of working towards more community engagement in the county. She's thrilled to have such a collaborative community and she knows they will be able to find ways to reach more families who may need Early Intervention support.

Lori and Rachel gave an overview of the Human Rights Committees (HRC). Each county board of developmental disabilities and each intermediate care facility must have an HRC of their own or in collaboration with another county board or provider. HRCs are local groups of professionals and volunteers who provide independent oversight in matters related to the rights of people with developmental disabilities. Committees must have balanced representation of people who receive or are eligible to receive services or their family members or guardians and county boards of developmental disabilities or service providers. An HRC's main role is to safeguard the individual's rights and protect them from physical, emotional, and psychological harm. HRCs review, approve or reject, monitor, and reauthorize behavioral support strategies that include restrictive measures. Individual Service Plans that contain restrictive measures cannot be implemented by providers before they are approved by an HRC. Per OAC 5123-2-06, "Restrictive measure" means a method of last resort that may be used by persons or entities providing specialized services only when necessary to keep people safe and with prior approval by the human rights committee".

Jody reported students will return to a 5-day In-Person Learning schedule starting on Monday March 1, 2021. As of now, 25 students plan to return to In-Person Learning. Parents will have the option to learn remote is they so choose. At any time, parents can choose to change from In-Person Learning to Remote and vice versa.

Kudos to Lisa Davis, Director of Community Relations and the Volunteers for all their hard work volunteering outside the DD agency – working with the Health Department answering calls and registering people for the vaccine.

Resolution 21-22

Mrs. Chesnut made a motion seconded by Mr. Thamann to approve the Directors' Reports as presented in the Board packets. Upon roll call, all members voted yea. Motion carried.

Superintendent's Report

Dan thanked the Board for moving the meeting so he could attend his son's State Swim Meet on Thursday.

Each year, Dan ask for a resolution to approve the Board Member continuing education training topics for the year. Board members are required to have 4 hours of continuing education. Jeff Davis, the Ohio Director of DD, is responsible for sending out topic areas for consideration each year. The following topic areas are recommended, but not mandated:

- 1. OISP and SSA Role
- 2. Multi-System Youth
- 3. Community Integration
- 4. Director Davis Statewide Updates
- 5. County Board Cost Reports

The Health Department will hold its last vaccine clinic for Individuals served and School Age staff on Wednesday February 24th from 9a-4p at the Wildey Center. The vaccine they will be receiving is the Pfizer Vaccine.

Dan and Jody met with Julianne Nesbit, Clermont County Public Health Commissioner, to discuss the possibility of returning to school. With numbers down, School will return to a full 5-Day In-School Learning starting on Monday March 1, 2021. Parents will have the option to learn remote if they so choose.

Dan announced Bev Hager will be retiring at the end of March. Jody's been doing some research with Milford Schools to see if their food service operations could provide lunches for Wildey. The cafeteria has changed over the years and gotten smaller in numbers. Dan stated we will have a two-month trial to see if this will work before committing to next school year. Dan stated this is cost savings for the agency.

Dan reported he is working on a post COVID return to work. Most of the employees have been working remotely. Dan's been meeting with the Directors to get their input. His plan is to bring a plan to the March Board Meeting.

Resolution 21-23

Mrs. Chesnut made a motion seconded by Mr. Thamann that the Board approve the Clermont County Board of Developmental Disabilities to provide School Age Services for the 2021-2022 school year and bill at a rate of 100% of non-reimbursed costs to the incounty school districts and 100% of non-reimbursed costs to the out-of-county school districts for the 2021-2022 school year. Upon roll call, all members voted yea with the exception of Mr. Weir who abstained. Motion carried.

Resolution 21-24

Mr. Weir made a motion seconded by Mr. Thamann that the Board approve Policy 700 – PASRR as presented. Upon roll call, all members voted yea. Motion carried.

Resolution 21-25

Mr. Thamann made a motion seconded by Mrs. Chesnut that the Board approve Policy 2400 – Confidentiality and Privacy as presented. Upon roll call, all members voted yea. Motion carried.

Resolution 21-26

Mrs. Chesnut made a motion seconded by Mr. Weir that the Board approve Policy 2500 – Computer Security as presented. Upon roll call, all members voted yea. Motion carried.

Resolution 21-27

Mr. Weir made a motion seconded by Mrs. Chesnut that the Board approve the Mission, Vision and Philosophy as presented Upon roll call, all members voted yea. Motion carried.

Resolution 21-28

Mr. Thamann made a motion seconded by Mr. Weir that the Board authorize the Superintendent to enter into a two-year contract with Lori Watkins as Director of Behavioral Health Services for the period of March 12, 2021 through March 11, 2023. Upon roll call, all members voted yea. Motion carried.

After discussion, the Board agreed on the following topics for the Board Member Training for 2021. OISP and SSA Role, Multi-System Youth, Community Integration, and Director Davis Statewide Updates.

Resolution 21-29

Mrs. Chesnut made a motion seconded by Mr. Weir that the Board approve the 2021 Board Member Training Plan. Upon roll call, all members voted yea. Motion carried.

Resolution 21-30

Mrs. Chesnut made a motion seconded by Mr. Thamann that the Board approve the Superintendent's Report as presented. Upon roll call, all members voted yea. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Ethics Committee – 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 listed in the January 2021 report.

Resolution 21-31

Mr. Chapman made a motion seconded by Mr. Thamann to ratify the Ethics Committee Report as presented for January 2021. Upon roll call, all members voted yea. Motion carried.

Resolution 21-32

Mr. Weir made a motion seconded by Mrs. Chesnut that the Clermont County Board of Developmental Disabilities adjourn. Upon roll call, all members voted yea. Motion carried.

Time: 6:22pm.

Emily Chesnut, Secretary

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