

**Clermont County Board
of Developmental Disabilities
Regular Board Meeting
January 27, 2022**

The regular meeting of the Clermont County Board of Developmental Disabilities was held on January 27, 2022 at the Thomas A. Wildey Center, 2040 US Highway 50, Batavia, Ohio 45103.

Vice-President Mary Jane West called the meeting to order at 5:41 p.m.

Roll Call

Janie Pfankuch called roll. All members were present with the exception of Mr. Grant who was absent excused.

Resolution 22-05

Mrs. Chesnut made a motion seconded by Mr. Thamann to approve the agenda as presented. Upon roll call, all members voted yea. Motion carried.

Resolution 22-06

Mr. Chapman made a motion seconded by Dr. Graham to approve the October 28, 2021 Regular Board Meeting Minutes. Upon roll call, all members voted yea. Motion carried.

Resolution 22-07

Mrs. Chesnut made a motion seconded by Mr. Chapman to approve the December 15, 2021 Regular Board Meeting Minutes, with the addition to Correspondence. Upon roll call, all members voted yea with the exception of Mr. Weir and Mrs. West who abstained. Motion carried.

Correspondence: The Board received a letter from a County Member and the Board acknowledged the letter and sent a response.

Resolution 22-08

Mr. Weir made a motion seconded by Dr. Graham 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.

Mrs. West along with the Board, thanked each of the Director's for their time and effort on writing their reports.

Mrs. West commented on Lisa's report. A lot of information (and very colorful) on all the events and activities that's happening around the county. One thing Mrs. West pointed out, was the Book Drive. Mrs. West challenged the Board to bring in a book for the Book Drive to the February meeting. Thank you, Lisa, for keeping everyone up to date on everything.

Resolution 22-09

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

Superintendent's Report

Dan stated hopefully by the end of January Covid 19 numbers start to decrease. As of now, current procedures and protocols will stay in place. CDC Guidelines quarantine has moved from 10 days to 5 days. JT has ordered K95, KN95 and 3-ply masks.

Jody sent a letter to Parents/Guardians, stating with the increase in Covid cases, the school has offered Optional self-quarantine for students. This will run until February 1st. While self-quarantining, students are can participate in their classroom activities using the link provided by the teacher. Jody stated due to our students not being able to tolerate appropriate mask wearing all day long, we continue to follow the quarantine guidance that has been in place since school started. We will continue to contact trace, communicate with families, and report to the Board of Health.

EI staff moved to virtual visits until February 1st. Beth stated that EI does a Covid pre-screening before they go into a home.

Accreditation Review is scheduled for April 4th and 5th. We are in the process of getting information to the Accreditation Team. Still waiting to hear if this will be in person or virtual.

Beginning this year, we will begin transitioning our client database from Gatekeeper to Brittco. EI has been working out of Brittco since October.

Dan touched based on Multi-System Youth. More information will be presented at the February board meeting.

Board Members are required to have MUI/UI Training annually. HR will add each Board Member to Public School Works so they can complete this training. This training is in

addition to the annual 4-hours Board Member Training. 2022 Board member Training topics will be presented at the February board meeting.

2022 Board Member Reference Manual will be distributed at the February board meeting.

Dan informed the Board the State Legislature is considering allowing for virtual meetings starting in February and continue through June. As soon as Dan gets the final word, he will forward on to the Board. Dan spoke with Mr. Grant, and he felt there was no need to go virtual at this time. The rest of the Board agreed with keeping meetings as they have been, socially distanced and in person.

Resolution 22-10

Mr. Weir made a motion seconded by Dr. Graham that the Board in response to the ongoing Direct Support Professional Crisis, the Board is adopting a motion to grant authority to the Superintendent to assist Agency providers in Clermont County with workforce sustainability. Furthermore, the Board is granting the Superintendent the authority to spend up to but not exceed \$150,000 to support providers with their recruiting and retention efforts. Agency providers receiving financial assistance will be required to contract with the County Board to ensure those funds are not supplementing Medicaid rates. This motion will remain in effect from February 1, 2022 – April 30, 2022. Before a vote of the whole Board, a discussion ensued in which Mr. Chapman shared his concerns about the lack of information about how these funds were producing the outcomes sought, most specifically, showing more DSP's working in the field. He would like to see more hard evidence and objective data about those outcomes before he could support such a measure. Upon roll call, all members voted yea except for Mr. Chapman who voted no. Motion carried.

Resolution 22-11

Mr. Chapman made a motion seconded by Mr. Weir that the Board approve an Allocation of Funds in the amount of \$5,100,000.00 in CY2022 to be used to pay the nonfederal share of the Medicaid Home and Community Based Services and Targeted Case Management Services provided to individuals who the Clermont County Board determines under section 5126.0511 of the Ohio Revised Code are eligible for Clermont County Board Services. The Board will make additional funds available if needed to assure that these serviced will be available in a manner that conforms to all applicable state and federal laws. The payment of the nonfederal share represents an ongoing financial commitment for such services of the Clermont County Board of Developmental

Disabilities. Upon roll call, all members voted yea with the exception of Dr. Graham who abstained. Motion carried.

Resolution 22-12

Mr. Chapman made a motion seconded by Mr. Thamann that the Board request the Clermont County Commissioners to transfer \$1,900,000 from the General Operating Fund (7000) to the Disabilities Residential Fund (7011). Upon roll call, all members voted yea. Motion carried.

Resolution 22-13

Mr. Chapman made a motion seconded by Mrs. Chesnut that the Board approve the 2022-2023 School Age Program Calendar. Upon roll call, all members voted yea. Motion carried.

Resolution 22-14

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

Committee Report

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 December 2021 report.

Resolution 22-15

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

New Business

Resolution 22-16

Dr. Graham made a motion seconded by Mrs. Chesnut that the Clermont County Board of Developmental Disabilities award the bid for the Roof and Window Replacement - Thomas A. Wildey Center and Garage, pursuant to the specifications therefore, to TruCraft Roofing, LLC for the lowest and best bid in the amount of \$3,849,000 for the base bid, and to reject any and all alternates received contingent upon the satisfactory execution of the contract. Upon roll call, all members voted yea. Motion carried.

Resolution 22-17

Mrs. Chesnut made a motion seconded by Dr. Graham that the Clermont County Board of Developmental Disabilities authorize the Superintendent to enter into contract with TruCraft Roofing, LLC in the amount of \$3,849,000 for the Roof and Window Replacement – Thomas A. Wildey Center and Garage project. Upon roll call, all members voted yea. Motion carried.

Executive Session

Resolution 22-18

Mrs. Chesnut made a motion seconded by Mr. Weir that the Clermont County Board of Developmental Disabilities, go into Executive Session pursuant to ORC 121.22 for the purpose to discuss negotiations with the Clermont County Special Education Association. Upon roll call, all members voted yea. Motion carried.

Time: 6:59 p.m.


Reconvene Time: 7:49 p.m.

Adjournment

Resolution 22-19

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

Time: 7:49 p.m.



Mary Jane West, Appointed Secretary