

**Peoria County Board for the Care & Treatment
of Persons with a Developmental Disability
Minutes of
February 19, 2020**

Members Present: Alyssa Herman
Greg Chance
Todd Baker (via conference phone)
Andrew Rand (County Board Liaison)

Members Absent: Joyce Harant

Others Present: Brian Gulley, PCCHD Director of Finance
Amy Roberts, PCCHD Administrative Assistant
Kim Cornwell, EP!C
Brad Guidi, Camp Big Sky
Amanda Atchley, Camp Big Sky
Jim Runyon, Autism Collective Board
Julie Schifeling, Easter Seals
Ryan LaCosse, Best Buddies
Patti Gratton, CWTC

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 11:01 am by Ms. Herman.

A quorum was not present; therefore, this meeting could only be an informational meeting.

Fiscal Report

Mr. Gulley reviewed the Fiscal Report with the 2019 numbers. Revenues should be closed out and finalized leave the total at almost \$953,000. The CPPRT came in at more than \$53,000 than what was budgeted, and the interest came in almost \$7,500 more than budgeted. For expenses, there is one more payout to make to HISRA for \$44,500, which will change the expenditures reported in the agenda packet. Once that payment is made, there will be a surplus of \$30,226, leaving the fund balance at \$288,896. Quarterly payments total is at \$237,537.78. CPPRT money should be coming in on top of that as well. Ms. Herman stated the budget for 2020, projected revenues are \$927,150 and expenditures at \$950,200 which is a difference of \$23,000 but leaves the ending cash balance at \$265,847.

Mr. Rand entered the meeting at 11:07 am.

2020 Meeting Time

Mr. Chance stated the 11:00 am meeting time was set to accommodate previous Board Member, Ms. Shannon Moberg's work schedule and Mr. Chance asked the Board if they would like to return to the previous set time of 11:30 am. A survey would be sent out to Board members to see what time works best for the majority.

Review RFP Timeline

Ms. Herman reviewed the previous timeline for RFPs and discussed the timeline for this year. March 6th through 13th, Request for Proposal would be issued, and the RFP's would be due back on May 1st. That would put the agency presentations at the May meeting, and June for the backup date to announce awards. Mr. Baker stated that moving the meeting to a Monday or Friday would ensure that Mr. Baker would be able to be present at the meeting, in person. Monday versus Friday should also be included on the survey with the time question. Mr. Rand invited the Board to have their meetings in the County Chamber to bring more focus to the Board. Mr. Rand will speak with the County Administrator about changing the location moving forward. Once the dates, times, and locations are finalized, a new schedule will be sent out to everyone, including the agencies.

There was some discussion about filling the vacancy on the Board. There was also some discussion on how the budget is calculated from the taxes.

Agency Visit Reports

The reports that were completed were available in the agenda packet.

Public Comments

Ryan LaCosse, the Area Director for Best Buddies introduced himself and spoke about what Best Buddies does and the services they provide. There is a Friendship Walk on April 25th coming up. Their service area covers most of everything south of I-80.

Julie Schifeling introduced herself, stating she started with Easter Seals at the beginning of February and will be taking over for Jim Runyon.

Jim Runyon stated he is not here representing Easter Seals, but is a member of the Autism Collective Board and is representing that. Mr. Runyon stated that they are typically a Board of five. Mr. Runyon stated that after many years of trying, UICOMP has been successful in recruiting another developmental pediatrician to the area, Dr. Siddiqi. The Autism Collective is now a staff of five, the Executive Director is Amanda Estes, a pediatric nurse, two Family Navigators, and an intake position. The Family Navigators are serving families from birth to 14 in Peoria, Tazewell, Woodford, and McLean counties and are continuing to expand the age range of families assisted. They are hopeful to hire a third Family Navigator for McLean county by the end of the year. A big project for The Autism Collective is Echo Autism, a training model designed to collect a team of experts locally via video and telehealth will be working with pediatricians from the area to increase their ability to screen for autism and do diagnosis. Mr. Runyon also invited the group to a Life Span Summit on April 27th from 5:00-7:00 pm held by The Autism Collective, invitations will be coming out soon.

Kim Cornwell of EP!C stated they have their Bon Appetit event coming up on March 26th and there only about 25 tickets left.

Brad Guidi of Camp Big Sky introduced Amanda Atchley, which started as the new Executive Director on in early January. Mr. Guidi also brought their 2019 annual report

and stated that they hosted a total of 800 residents from Peoria County last year, which is an all-time high, that does include all of the visitors. They are currently working on their 11th annual fishing tournament at Goose Ranch. They are continuing their infrastructure upgrade, will be replacing the wood trailways with concrete and widening them as well. Amanda Atchley stated she is looking forward to taking over and is happy to have help from Mr. Guidi passing the information off to her. Ms. Atchley stated the fishing tournament is on Saturday, May 16th from 8am to 12:30pm.

Patti Gratton of CWTC stated that CWTC is celebrating their 60th anniversary this year and is focusing on thanking the community for the support of the years, as well as their employers. March is Developmental Disability Awareness month nationwide and want to recognize the community members for supporting individuals with disabilities.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 11:56 am.