



**MAHONING COUNTY BOARD OF
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES**

BOARD MEETING

DATE: December 16, 2019

TIME: 5:00 p.m.

PLACE: Leonard Kirtz School

******SPECIAL NOTE: DUE TO THE MARTIN LUTHER KING HOLIDAY, THE
JANUARY BOARD MEETING WILL BE HELD THE FOURTH MONDAY, JANUARY 27,
2020. THIS IS ALSO THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF THE BOARD.**

Minutes

CALL TO ORDER: President O’Nesti

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

I. ROLL CALL

	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Mr. Gary G. O’Nesti	<u>PRESENT</u>	_____
Mrs. Marilee Meloy	<u>PRESENT</u>	_____
Mrs. Jodi Kale	<u>PRESENT</u>	_____
Mr. Peter Noll	<u>PRESENT</u>	_____
Mrs. Andrea Patton	<u>PRESENT</u>	_____
Mr. Joseph Pecchia	<u>PRESENT</u>	_____
Mr. Anthony Sertick	<u>PRESENT</u>	_____

Adopt a motion to excuse absent Board members.

Motion: _____ Second: _____

Discussion: N/A

Roll Call: Mrs. Meloy _____
Mrs. Kale _____
Mr. Noll _____
Mrs. Patton _____
Mr. Pecchia _____
Mr. Sertick _____
Mr. O'Nesti _____

The President declares the motion _____

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Adopt a motion to approve the minutes of the November 18, 2019 Board Meeting with any additions or deletions.

Motion: Mrs. Kale Second: Mrs. Patton

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Mrs. Kale Aye
Mr. Noll Abstain
Mrs. Patton Aye
Mr. Pecchia Aye
Mr. Sertick Aye
Mr. O'Nesti Aye
Mrs. Meloy Aye

The President declares the motion Approved

Adopt a motion to approve the minutes of the special Board Meeting from November 12, 2019 with any additions or deletions. (previously tabled at Nov. 18, 2019 meeting)

Motion: Mrs. Patton Second: Mrs. Kale

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Mr. Noll Aye
Mrs. Patton Aye
Mr. Pecchia Aye
Mr. Sertick Aye
Mr. O'Nesti Aye
Mrs. Meloy Aye
Mrs. Kale Aye

The President declares the motion Approved

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Adopt a motion to approve the agenda with any additions or deletions.

Motion: Mr. Noll Second: Mr. Pecchia

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Mrs. Patton Aye
Mr. Pecchia Aye
Mr. Sertick Aye
Mr. O'Nesti Aye
Mrs. Meloy Aye
Mrs. Kale Aye
Mr. Noll Aye

The President declares the motion Approved

IV. FINANCIAL BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

Adopt a motion to acknowledge the payment of bills for the month of November 2019.

Motion: Mr. Pecchia Second: Mrs. Meloy

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Mr. Pecchia Aye
Mr. Sertick Aye
Mr. O'Nesti Aye
Mrs. Meloy Aye
Mrs. Kale Aye
Mr. Noll Aye
Mrs. Patton Aye

The President declares the motion Approved

Monthly Reconciliation: Sean Kern, Business Manager, reported that the activity accounts were reconciled and sent to the Mahoning County Auditor for review.

V. ETHICS COMMITTEE REPORT: Mr. Pecchia explained that the Ethics Committee met prior to the Board meeting and reviewed the contracts being presented to the full Board on the agenda and are recommending full Board approval.

Adopt a motion to approve the Ethics Committee Report as presented by Chairperson, Mr. Pecchia.

Motion: Mrs. Patton Second: Mr. Noll

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Mr. Sertick Aye
Mr. O'Nesti Aye
Mrs. Meloy Aye
Mrs. Kale Aye
Mr. Noll Aye
Mrs. Patton Aye
Mr. Pecchia Aye

The President declares the motion Approved

VI. ROUTINE BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

1. Nominating Committee

In accordance with the Ohio Revised Code, Section 5126.029, an organizational meeting shall be held each year prior to the 31st day of January and the Board

shall elect its officers. The slate of officers submitted by the Nominating Committee is as follows:

President – Mr. Gary G. O’Nesti
Vice President – Mr. Joseph Pecchia
Recording Secretary – Mrs. Andrea Patton

2. Adopt a motion to acknowledge the November 2019 Personnel Report of Superintendent Whitacre.

Motion: Mrs. Meloy Second: Mrs. Kale

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Mr. O’Nesti Aye
Mrs. Meloy Aye
Mrs. Kale Aye
Mr. Noll Aye
Mrs. Patton Aye
Mr. Pecchia Aye
Mr. Sertick Aye

The President declares the motion Approved

VII. CORRESPONDENCE BEFORE THE BOARD

NONE

VIII. REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

- Special Recognition
 - Centre at Javit – Christina Simballa
 - Leonard Kirtz School – Xavier Ingram
 - Community Services – Leonard Rankin
 - The Board would like to recognize and thank Mrs. Marilee Meloy for her time serving the individuals of the Mahoning County Board of Developmental Disabilities.

Human Resources Report

- **Retiree to be Honored**
 - Charles Philip Campbell – 17 years (12/31/19)
- **Anniversary Milestone**
 - Martin Wrobleski – 35 years
 - Tyler Sharpe – 5 years
- **Administrative Report**
 - **OACB Annual Convention:** The main theme of the annual convention was a focus on “customer” experience and the direction Boards of DD are moving to serve our individuals.
 - **LKS Renovation:** Superintendent Whitacre, Frank Dietz, Maintenance Director, Emily Martinez, Community Services Dir., and Jeff Novak, Director of Education; recently met with the architect and have settled on two basic concepts and will be meeting with the Facility and Grounds Committee early in January.
 - Superintendent Whitacre also make special recognition of Investigative Agent, Blasé Brush for stepping up to take care of the needs of an individual and Marianne Frattaroli, Bus driver, who handled a very difficult situation with the highest level of professionalism while also ensuring the safety of all of the students on the bus.
- Board Finance Committee Report – No meeting held.
- Board Programs, Service Initiatives & Personnel Committee Report – No meeting held.
- Board Capital Facilities and Grounds Committee – No meeting held.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENTS NONE

X. OLD BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

NONE

XI. NEW BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

1. Adopt a motion to accept and recognize a donation in the amount of \$23,706.59 from the William A. DiCiero Irrevocable Trust to be utilized for the benefit of the Leonard Kirtz School per Mr. DiCiero's wishes.

Motion: Mrs. Patton Second: Mrs. Meloy

Discussion: A small committee will be formed to look at the best way to use this extremely generous gift to best serve the children at LKS. Mr. DiCiero was an instructor at LKS from 1968 – 1985. The Board is extremely grateful for his generosity.

Roll Call: Mrs. Meloy Aye
Mrs. Kale Aye
Mr. Noll Aye
Mrs. Patton Aye
Mr. Pecchia Aye
Mr. Sertick Aye
Mr. O'Nesti Aye

The President declares the motion Approved

2. Adopt a motion to approve the following vendor and service contracts letters A. –E. with a term of January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020. These contracts have been approved as to form by the Mahoning County Prosecutor's office and were reviewed in the Ethics Committee:

- A. Balser & Blum Behavior Support Consultants, LLC for behavior support, not to exceed \$3,000.00**
- B. Gateways to Better Living, Inc. for emergency respite services, not to exceed \$10,000.00**
- C. REM Ohio, Inc. for emergency respite services, not to exceed \$5,000.00**

D. Help Hotline Crisis Center, Inc. for guardianship services, not to exceed \$123,000.00 (\$15,000.00 for attorney fees and \$108,000.00 for all other guardianship services)

E. Special Olympics Ohio Inc. dba Mahoning County Developmental Disabilities Special Olympics, not to exceed \$5,000.00

Motion: Mrs. Meloy Second: Mrs. Kale

Discussion: Superintendent Whitacre explained that the Balsler and Blum contract is a \$2,000 reduction from last year's contract. Gateways and REM for respite will help to reduce the number of "moral obligations" by having a contract in place in advance. Help Hotline has increased due to an increase in need for guardianship services.

Roll Call: Mrs. Kale Aye
Mr. Noll Aye
Mrs. Patton Aye
Mr. Pecchia Aye
Mr. Sertick Aye
Mr. O'Nesti Aye
Mrs. Meloy Aye

The President declares the motion Approved

3. Adopt a motion authorizing Superintendent Whitacre to name Emily Martinez, Community Services Director to be the authorized designee to NEON Council meetings and in all Council business in the event he is unavailable.

Motion: Mrs. Patton Second: Mr. Noll

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Mr. Noll Aye
Mrs. Patton Aye
Mr. Pecchia Aye
Mr. Sertick Aye
Mr. O'Nesti Aye
Mrs. Meloy Aye
Mrs. Kale Aye

The President declares the motion Approved

4. Adopt a motion to approve the Second Addendum to the Service Agreement by and between the MCBDD and MASCO, Inc. and Family & Community Services, Inc. regarding the Meshel Facility, as if fully rewritten herein, which sets forth that the total reimbursements to be paid by the Board pursuant to Section 3 of the Service Agreement with MASCO and FCS shall not, in any event, exceed a cumulative total of \$72,000.00 during the period of January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020. The Service Agreement was originally entered into on August 20, 2018.

Motion: Mrs. Meloy Second: Mr. Pecchia

Discussion: This contract provides for services for non-waiver individuals.

Roll Call: Mrs. Patton Aye
Mr. Pecchia Aye
Mr. Sertick Aye
Mr. O'Nesti Aye
Mrs. Meloy Aye
Mrs. Kale Aye
Mr. Noll Aye

The President declares the motion Approved

5. Adopt a motion to approve a first amendment to the agreement with Love and Faith, LLC. dba On Demand Drug Testing & Work Solutions, LLC to update the medical services rates. This agreement was originally entered into on October 21, 2019.

Motion: Mr. Noll Second: Mr. Sertick

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Mr. Pecchia Aye
Mr. Sertick Aye
Mr. O'Nesti Aye
Mrs. Meloy Aye
Mrs. Kale Aye
Mr. Noll Aye
Mrs. Patton Aye

The President declares the motion Approved

6. Adopt a motion to enter into the NASPO ValuePoint agreement through Verizon Wireless beginning January 1, 2020.

Motion: Mrs. Meloy Second: Mr. Pecchia

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Mr. Sertick Aye
 Mr. O’Nesti Aye
 Mrs. Meloy Aye
 Mrs. Kale Aye
 Mr. Noll Aye
 Mrs. Patton Aye
 Mr. Pecchia Aye

The President declares the motion Approved

7. Adopt Board Resolution 2019-018, as if fully written herein, specifying the amount of funds the Mahoning County Board of Developmental Disabilities will use in calendar year 2020 to pay the nonfederal share of the Medicaid expenditures (\$8,585,216.00) it is required by Ohio revised code §5126.059 and §5126.0510 to pay.

Motion: Mrs. Kale Second: Mr. Pecchia

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Mr. O’Nesti Aye
 Mrs. Meloy Aye
 Mrs. Kale Aye
 Mr. Noll Aye
 Mrs. Patton Aye
 Mr. Pecchia Aye
 Mr. Sertick Aye

The President declares the motion Approved

8. Adopt Board Resolution 2019-019, as if fully written herein, approving the moral obligation payment for respite services in the amount of \$3,031.60 pursuant to Ohio Revised Code § 5126.05.

Motion: Mrs. Meloy Second: Mrs. Kale

Discussion:

Roll Call: Mrs. Meloy Aye
 Mrs. Kale Aye
 Mr. Noll Aye
 Mrs. Patton Aye
 Mr. Pecchia Aye
 Mr. Sertick Aye
 Mr. O’Nesti Aye

The President declares the motion Approved

9. Adopt a motion authorizing blanket approval for necessary expenses incurred in the conduct of county board business including reimbursement for travel expenses within the State of Ohio for Board members and staff during calendar year 2020.

Motion: Mr. Pecchia Second: Mrs. Patton

Discussion:

Roll Call: Mrs. Kale Aye
 Mr. Noll Aye
 Mrs. Patton Aye
 Mr. Pecchia Aye
 Mr. Sertick Aye
 Mr. O’Nesti Aye
 Mrs. Meloy Aye

The President declares the motion Approved

10. Adopt Board Resolution 2019-020, as if fully written herein, to request the Mahoning County Board of Commissioners to enter into a first amendment to the lease agreement with MASCO, Inc. pursuant to Ohio Revised Code §307.09 (A) and §307.10 (A) and to approve the terms of the first amendment to the lease agreement by and between the Mahoning County Board of Commissioners and MASCO, Inc.

Motion: Mrs. Patton Second: Mrs. Meloy

Discussion: This is a renewal for Bev Rd. storage space.

Roll Call: Mr. Noll Aye
Mrs. Patton Aye
Mr. Pecchia Aye
Mr. Sertick Aye
Mr. O'Nesti Aye
Mrs. Meloy Aye
Mrs. Kale Aye

The President declares the motion Approved

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Adopt a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss:

X 1. Personnel Matters

- To consider the appointment of a public employee or official;
- To consider the employment of a public employee or official;
- To consider the dismissal of a public employee or official;
- To consider the discipline of a public employee or official;
- To consider the promotion of a public employee or official;
- To consider the demotion of a public employee or official;
- To consider the compensation of a public employee or official; or
- To consider the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee or official.

- 2. Purchase or Sale of property
- 3. Pending or imminent court action
- 4. Collective Bargaining Matters
- 5. Matters required to be kept confidential
- 6. Security matters
- 7. Hospital trade secrets
- 8. Veterans Service Commission Applications

Motion: Mrs.Kale Second: Mr. Pecchia

Roll Call: Mrs. Patton Aye
Mr. Pecchia Aye
Mr. Sertick Aye
Mr. O'Nesti Aye
Mrs. Meloy Aye

Mrs. Kale Aye
Mr. Noll Aye

The President declares the motion Approved

Time: 5:37 p.m.

Adopt a motion to reconvene the Board meeting from executive session.

Motion: Mrs. Kale Second: Mrs. Patton

Roll Call: Mr. Pecchia Aye
Mr. Sertick Aye
Mr. O'Nesti Aye
Mrs. Meloy Aye
Mrs. Kale Aye
Mr. Noll Aye
Mrs. Patton Aye

The President declares the motion Approved

Time: 6:07 p.m.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Adopt a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion: Mrs. Kale Second: Mr. Pecchia

Roll Call: Mr. Sertick Aye
Mr. O'Nesti Aye
Mrs. Meloy Aye
Mrs. Kale Aye
Mr. Noll Aye
Mrs. Patton Aye
Mr. Pecchia Aye

The President declares the motion Approved

Time: 6:08 p.m.