



MAHONING COUNTY BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

BOARD MEETING

DATE: February 22, 2021
TIME: 6:00 p.m.
PLACE: Zoom-video conference meeting

Minutes

CALL TO ORDER: President Pecchia

I. ROLL CALL

	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Mr. Gary G. O’Nesti	<u>Present</u>	_____
Mrs. Terri Hutchison	<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. Hutchison _____
Mrs. Kale _____

Mr. Noll	_____
Mrs. Patton	_____
Mr. Pecchia	_____
Mr. Sertick	_____
Mr. O'Nesti	_____

The President declares the motion _____

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

02-0023-21

Adopt a motion to approve the minutes of the January 25, 2021 Organizational Board Meeting with any additions or deletions.

Motion: Mrs. Patton Second: Mrs. Kale

Discussion: None

Roll Call:	Mrs. Kale	<u>Aye</u>
	Mr. Noll	<u>Aye</u>
	Mrs. Patton	<u>Aye</u>
	Mr. Pecchia	<u>Aye</u>
	Mr. Sertick	<u>Aye</u>
	Mr. O'Nesti	<u>Aye</u>
	Mrs. Hutchison	<u>Aye</u>

The President declares the motion Approved

02-0024-21

Adopt a motion to approve the minutes of the January 25, 2021 Board Meeting with any additions or deletions.

Motion: Mrs. Patton Second: Mrs. Kale

Discussion: None

Roll Call:	Mr. Noll	<u>Aye</u>
	Mrs. Patton	<u>Aye</u>
	Mr. Pecchia	<u>Aye</u>
	Mr. Sertick	<u>Aye</u>
	Mr. O'Nesti	<u>Aye</u>

Mrs. Hutchison Aye
 Mrs. Kale Aye

The President declares the motion Approved

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

02-0025-21

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

Motion: Mrs. Kale Second: Mrs. Hutchison

Discussion: Please note the addition of a motion for the Ethics Committee report and under New Business, item #4, the deletion of v.2 from the policy number.

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

The President declares the motion Approved

IV. FINANCIAL BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

02-0026-21

Adopt a motion to acknowledge the payment of bills for the month of January 2021.

Motion: Mrs. Patton Second: Mrs. Hutchison

Discussion: None

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

Mrs. Patton Aye

The President declares the motion Approved

Monthly Reconciliation: Mr. Kern, Finance Director, reported that the activity accounts were reconciled and sent to the County Auditor for review.

V. ETHICS COMMITTEE REPORT: Mrs. Patton reported that the Ethics committee met prior to the Board meeting and passed Ethics Committee Resolution, EC2021-001 approving outside employment of current Board staff.

02-0027-21

Adopt a motion to approve the Ethics Committee Report as presented by Chairperson Andrea Patton.

Motion: Mrs. Kale Second: Mr. Noll

Discussion: None

Roll Call:	Mr. Sertick	<u>Aye</u>
	Mr. O'Nesti	<u>Aye</u>
	Mrs. Hutchison	<u>Aye</u>
	Mrs. Kale	<u>Aye</u>
	Mr. Noll	<u>Aye</u>
	Mrs. Patton	<u>Aye</u>
	Mr. Pecchia	<u>Aye</u>

The President declares the motion Approved

VI. ROUTINE BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

02-0028-21

1. Adopt a motion to acknowledge the January 2021 Personnel Report of Superintendent Whitacre.

Motion: Mr. Sertick Second: Mrs. Patton

Discussion: None

Roll Call:	Mr. O'Nesti	<u>Aye</u>
	Mrs. Hutchison	<u>Aye</u>
	Mrs. Kale	<u>Aye</u>
	Mr. Noll	<u>Aye</u>

Mrs. Patton	<u>Aye</u>
Mr. Pecchia	<u>Aye</u>
Mr. Sertick	<u>Aye</u>

The President declares the motion Approved

VII. CORRESPONDENCE/SPECIAL MENTIONS BEFORE THE BOARD

None

VIII. REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

- **Administrative Report**

- State Budget – The proposed State budget is \$75 million dollars. It is however in the very early stages and could be revised over time before it is officially approved. The DD portion of the budget is fairly “flat” with only minimal increases and decreases in different areas.
- Appendix K – (provider support) – Due to increased expenses to providers through COVID and decreased revenue, DODD asked County Boards to provide assistance.
- Adult day expansion – The capacity post covid is being increased. However, there appears to be a shift in the interest for “smaller” day programs that are not facility based.
- Board Finance Committee Report – Mr. Noll reported that no meeting was held.
- Board Programs, Service Initiatives & Personnel Committee Report – Mr. Sertick reported that the committee met prior to the Board meeting and discussed the policy (3729 – Title IX) on the agenda tonight under New Business and is recommending full Board approval.
- Board Capital Facilities and Grounds Committee – Mrs. Kale reported that no meeting was held.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Several of the Board members expressed their thoughts regarding an incident that occurred at a local school district regarding a student in the special education program and their disappointment with how the district handled the incident.

X. OLD BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

NONE

XI. NEW BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

02-0029-21

1. Adopt a motion to approve the following contracts lettered A. through E. These contracts have been approved as to form by the Mahoning County Prosecutor's office.

- A. Soul Bird Consulting, LLC, for staff training services, effective February 1, 2021 –December 31, 2021, not to exceed \$7,950.00.**
- B. Prout Boiler, Heating and Welding, Inc., for unscheduled plumbing repairs to all MCBDD facilities, Effective February 1, 2021 – December 31, 2021, not to exceed \$20,000.00**
- C. WKBN -TV for DD Awareness campaigns, effective March 1, 2021 – October 24, 2021, not to exceed \$8,000.00.**
- D. WFMJ -TV for DD Awareness campaigns, effective March 1, 2021 – October 17, 2021, not to exceed \$7,340.00.**
- E. The Lamar Companies for DD Awareness campaigns, effective March 1, 2021 –October 25, 2021, not to exceed \$7,200.00.**

Motion: Mrs. Hutchison Second: Mrs. Kale

Discussion: Superintendent Whitacre gave a brief overview of the contracts above.

Roll Call:	Mrs. Hutchison	<u>Aye</u>
	Mrs. Kale	<u>Aye</u>
	Mr. Noll	<u>Aye</u>
	Mrs. Patton	<u>Aye</u>
	Mr. Pecchia	<u>Aye</u>
	Mr. Sertick	<u>Aye</u>
	Mr. O'Nesti	<u>Aye</u>

The President declares the motion Approved

02-0030-21

2. Adopt Board Resolution 2021-001, as if fully written herein, Approval of current Board employees to perform services provided under Section 5126.11 (Family Support Services Program) or Sections 5126.40 through 5126.46 (Supported Living) through outside employment with an individual, agency, or other entity that has a direct services contract with the Board, as recommended by the Ethics Committee per approved Ethics Committee Resolution EC2021-001.

Motion: Mrs. Patton Second: Mrs. Hutchison

Discussion: The Board completes this process on an annual basis in order to verify that no MCBDD staff has a second job that could improperly influence a contract between an outside company and the MCBDD.

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

The President declares the motion Approved

02-0031-21

3. Adopt a motion to authorize budget amendments to certify estimated receipts, and increase appropriations in the following grants/accounts to allow for the expenditure of money related to two CARES Act grants passed through the Ohio Department of Education:

2301950-600405-2301A	\$5,018.12	Office Supplies
2301950-600518-2301B	\$11,082.30	Cell Phones

Motion: Mr. O'Nesti Second: Mrs. Hutchison

Discussion: These transfers allow for the grant funds to be certified and appropriated.

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

Mrs. Hutchison Aye
Mrs. Kale Aye

The President declares the motion Approved

02-0032-21

4. Adopt a motion to approve Policy 3729 – Title IX, policy and procedure regarding sexual harassment and misconduct, as presented in your Board packet.

Motion: Mr. Sertick Second: Mrs. Patton

Discussion: The policy for Title IX is a federally mandated and required policy.

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

The President declares the motion Approved

02-0033-21

5. Adopt a motion to approve the three year strategic plan as included in your Board packet.

Motion: Mrs. Kale Second: Mrs. Patton

Discussion: The approved strategic plan will be available on the website and will also be printed in limited quantities.

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

The President declares the motion Approved

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

02-0034-21

Adopt a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss:

 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 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.

- X **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: Mr. ONesti

Second: Mr. Sertick

Roll Call:	Mr. Sertick	<u>Aye</u>
	Mr. O’Nesti	<u>Aye</u>
	Mrs. Hutchison	<u>Aye</u>
	Mrs. Kale	<u>Aye</u>
	Mr. Noll	<u>Aye</u>
	Mrs. Patton	<u>Aye</u>
	Mr. Pecchia	<u>Aye</u>

The President declares the motion Approved

Time: 6:36 p.m.

02-0035-21

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

Motion: Mrs. Kale

Second: Mrs. Patton

Roll Call:	Mr. O’Nesti	<u>Aye</u>
	Mrs. Hutchison	<u>Aye</u>
	Mrs. Kale	<u>Aye</u>
	Mr. Noll	<u>Aye</u>

Mrs. Patton Aye
Mr. Pecchia Aye
Mr. Sertick Aye

The President declares the motion Approved

Time: 7:10 p.m.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

02-0036-21

Adopt a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion: Mrs. Kale Second: Mr. O’Nesti

Roll Call: Mrs. Hutchison 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

Time: 7:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph Pecchia, President

Andrea Patton, Recording Secretary