



**MAHONING COUNTY BOARD OF
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES**

BOARD MEETING

DATE: December 19, 2022
TIME: 5:00 p.m.
PLACE: Community Services large conference room

Minutes

CALL TO ORDER: President Pecchia
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

*****The January 2023 meeting will be the Organizational Meeting of the Board and will be held on Tuesday, January 17, 2023**

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>Absent</u>
Mr. Joseph Pecchia	<u>Present</u>	_____
Mr. Anthony Sertick	<u>Present</u>	_____

Adopt a motion to excuse absent Board members.

Motion: Mrs. Kale Second: Mr. Sertick

Discussion: Excuse Andrea Patton

All those in favor signify by saying Aye 6
Those opposed Nay _____

The President declares the motion Approved

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Adopt a motion to approve the minutes of the November 21, 2022 Board Meeting with any additions or deletions.

Motion: Mrs. Kale Second: Mrs. Hutchison

Discussion: None

All those in favor signify by saying Aye 6
Those opposed Nay _____

The President declares the motion Approved

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

Motion: Mrs. Hutchison Second: Mrs. Kale

Discussion: None

All those in favor signify by saying Aye 6
Those opposed Nay _____

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 2022.

Motion: Mr. Noll Second: Mr. Sertick

Discussion: None

All those in favor signify by saying Aye 6
Those opposed Nay _____

The President declares the motion Approved

Monthly Reconciliation: Sean Kern, Director of Finance, reported that the activity accounts were reconciled and submitted to the County Auditor's office for review. In addition, the following donations were received in November, \$200.00 from the Knights of Columbus for the LKS playground project and \$10,000.00 from the Daprile Insurance Agency for the playground and \$50,468.00 for the Adult Services program at Javit Court.

- V. ETHICS COMMITTEE REPORT:** Mr. Noll, substitute Chairperson, reported, the Ethics Committee met prior to tonight's Board meeting and reviewed several vendor contracts that provide services to individuals in Mahoning County. The committee is recommending full Board support of these contracts which can be found on the Board agenda as items 5, 6 and 8.

Adopt a motion to approve the Ethics Committee Report as presented by substitute Chairperson, Peter Noll.

Motion: Mrs. Kale Second: Mrs. Hutchison

Discussion: None

All those in favor signify by saying Aye 6
Those opposed Nay _____

The President declares the motion Approved

VI. ROUTINE BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

1. Nominating Committee

President Joseph Pecchia names the following three Board members to the nominating committee for the 2023 slate of officers:

Mr. O’Nesti, Mr. Sertick, and Mrs. Kale

2. Adopt a motion to acknowledge the November 2022 Personnel Report of Superintendent Whitacre.

Motion: Mrs. Hutchison Second: Mrs. Kale

Discussion: None

All those in favor signify by saying Aye 6
Those opposed Nay _____

The President declares the motion Approved

VII. CORRESPONDENCE/SPECIAL MENTIONS BEFORE THE BOARD

None

VIII. REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

➤ **Administrative Report**

- Playground: meetings continue with staff at LKS to determine the best equipment for each age group and ability set. All of the needed

demolition is complete in the playground area and the plan would be to start construction in the early spring so that the student can begin using the playground when the weather improves. Will reach out to Austintown Trustees to discuss the possibility of combining resources and opening the playground up for community use.

- OACB annual convention: Bill reported that this year's convention provided the best tracks in the past few years. Dr. Amy Acton was this year's keynote speaker. Bill and SSA Melanie DiRocco presented.

Human Resources Report

- **Welcome New Staff**

- Sean Ulicney, Custodian, eff. 11/07/2022

- **Resignations/Retirements**

- Christina Moore, resignation, Intake Investigative Agent, eff. 11/04/2022
- Alexandria Simkins, resignation, Instructor Assistant, eff. 11/04/2022
- Judy Cook, resignation, Driver, eff. 11/14/2022
- Frank Dietz, retirement, Maintenance Coordinator, eff. 11/30/2022

- **Employees Achieving Employment-Anniversary Milestones:**

- Maggie Coleman -15 Years
- Kelly Wells - 15 Years

- Board Finance Committee Report – No meeting was held, the next planned meeting is for January 17.
- Board Capital Facilities and Grounds Committee – No meeting was held.
- Board Programs, Service Initiatives & Personnel Committee Report – Chairperson, Anthony Sertick reported that the Programs, Service Initiatives and Personnel Committee met tonight prior to the Board meeting and discussed the Early Intervention Occupational Therapy position, the Committee is recommending to create, post and fill this position and a motion can be found on tonight's agenda under new business, item #12

IX. PUBLIC COMMENTS

NONE

X. OLD BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

NONE

XI. NEW BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

1. 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 2023.

Motion: Mrs. Kale Second: Mrs. Hutchison

Discussion: None

All those in favor signify by saying Aye 6
Those opposed Nay _____

The President declares the motion Approved

2. Adopt Board Resolution 2022-013, as if fully written herein, specifying the amount of funds the Mahoning County Board of Developmental Disabilities will use in calendar year 2023 to pay the nonfederal share of the Medicaid expenditures (\$9,705,815.00) it is required by Ohio Revised Code §5126.059 and §5126.0510 to pay.

Motion: Mr. O'Nesti Second: Mr. Sertick

Discussion: This amount represents the expected waiver match. This amount allows the MCBDD to draw down approximately \$64 million in related services.

Roll Call:	Mrs. Kale	<u>Aye</u>
	Mr. Noll	<u>Aye</u>
	Mrs. Patton	_____
	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

3. Adopt a motion to approve attendance of Board Members and staff at professional meetings and approve expenditures for attendance within the State of Ohio for the calendar year 2023 estimated at \$61,850.00 for the improvement of program operations, personal development, and continuing education.

Motion: Mr. Sertick

Second: Mr. O'Nesti

Discussion: None

All those in favor signify by saying Aye 6

Those opposed Nay _____

The President declares the motion Approved

4. Adopt a motion to renew the contract with Attorney Christopher Sammarone, as if fully written herein, the amount of the contract is not to exceed \$22,000.00 and is effective January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023. The contract has been approved by the Acting Mahoning County Prosecutor.

Motion: Mrs. Kale

Second: Mrs. Hutchison

Discussion: None

All those in favor signify by saying Aye 6

Those opposed Nay _____

The President declares the motion Approved

5. Adopt a motion to approve items A – E. for the term of January 1, 2023 – December 31, 2023. These contracts were previously reviewed by the Ethics Committee and approved as to form by the Mahoning County Prosecutor’s Office.

- A. Siffrin, Inc., for transportation services, from January 1, 2023 – December 31, 2023, not to exceed \$10,000.00.**
- B. Potential Development Program, Inc. dba The ARC of Ohio Northeast Branch for Recreation Services from January 1, 2023 – December 31, 2023, not to exceed \$15,000.00.**
- C. Potential Development Program, Inc. dba The ARC of Ohio Northeast Branch for The Next Chapter Book Club from January 1, 2023 – December 31, 2023, not to exceed \$12,000.00.**
- D. Agreement with MASCO, Inc. for transportation services, from January 1, 2023 –December 31, 2023, not to exceed \$30,000.00.**
- E. Agreement with MASCO, Inc. for Program Aide Services, from January 1, 2023 – December 31, 2023, not to exceed \$30,000.00.**

Motion: Mrs. Hutchison

Second: Mr. Noll

Discussion: These are ongoing agreements from previous years. The Siffrin and the MASCO Program Aide agreements are decreases from last year and the ARC recreation agreement was an increase.

All those in favor signify by saying Aye 6

Those opposed Nay _____

The President declares the motion Approved

6. Adopt a motion to approve items A - C. for the term of January 1, 2023 – December 31, 2024. These contracts were previously reviewed by the Ethics Committee and approved as to form by the Mahoning County Prosecutor’s Office.

- A. Agreement with Help Hotline Crisis Center, Inc. for guardianship services, not to exceed \$216,000.00 for guardianship and an additional not to exceed \$36,000.00 for attorney fees.**
- B. Agreement with Help Hotline Crisis Center, Inc. for 24 our crisis services, not to exceed \$10,500.00.**
- C. Agreement with Help Hotline Crisis Center, Inc. for representative payeeship services, not to exceed \$19,600.00.**

Motion: Mrs. Kale

Second: Mrs. Hutchison

Discussion: These are ongoing agreements that have been expanded to two

year contracts in this cycle.

All those in favor signify by saying Aye 6

Those opposed Nay _____

The President declares the motion Approved

7. Adopt Board Resolution 2022-014 requesting the Mahoning County Board of Commissioners to enter into a lease agreement with MASCO, Inc. for real property at 160 Marwood Circle, Boardman, Ohio pursuant to Ohio Revised code §307.09(A) and Ohio Revised code §307.10(A) and to approve the terms of the lease agreement by and between the Mahoning County Board of Commissioners and MASCO, Inc.

Motion: Mrs. Kale

Second: Mrs. Hutchison

Discussion: This is a continued agreement.

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

The President declares the motion Approved

8. Adopt a motion to enter into the Fifth Addendum to the 2018 Agreement with MASCO, Inc. for day services for the term of January 1, 2023 – December 31, 2023, not to exceed \$30,000.000. This has been previously reviewed by the Ethics Committee and approved as to form by the Mahoning County Prosecutor's Office.

Motion: Mr. Sertick

Second: Mrs. Hutchison

Discussion: This agreement covers non waiver enrollees at MASCO.

All those in favor signify by saying Aye 6

Those opposed Nay _____

The President declares the motion Approved

9. Adopt a motion to enter into an agreement with York-Mahoning Mechanical Contractors, Inc., for air purifier installation at LKS, not to exceed \$29,525.00, to be completed by February 17, 2023. This agreement was previously approved as to form by the Mahoning County Prosecutor's Office.

Motion: Mrs. Kale Second: Mrs. Hutchison

Discussion: This project is being covered using \$15,000.00 from a Bureau of Workers Comp. grant and \$14,525.00 from an ARPA grant.

All those in favor signify by saying Aye 5

Those opposed Nay _____

Abstain: Mr. O'Nesti

The President declares the motion Approved

10. An agreement with A & A Construction and Concrete, LLC. for catch basin repair at 160 Marwood Circle (Meshel MASCO), not to exceed \$3,200.00, to be completed by May 31, 2023. This agreement was previously approved as to form by the Mahoning County Prosecutor's Office.

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

Discussion: Per the lease agreement, MCBDD is responsible for these repairs.

All those in favor signify by saying Aye 6

Those opposed Nay _____

The President declares the motion Approved

11. An agreement with A & A Construction and Concrete, LLC. for cement pad replacement at 745 West Rayen Avenue (Gateways), not to exceed \$12,900.00, to be completed by May 31, 2023. This agreement was previously approved as to form by the Mahoning County Prosecutor's Office.

Motion: Mrs. Kale Second: Mrs. Hutchison

Discussion: Per the lease, MCBDD is responsible for these repairs.

All those in favor signify by saying Aye 6
Those opposed Nay _____

The President declares the motion Approved

12. Adopt a motion to create, post and fill one Occupational Therapist position in the Early Intervention Department. The hourly range for this position is \$31.05 - \$44.57. This position has been reviewed and approved by the Board Programs, Service Initiatives and Personnel Committee.

Motion: Mrs. Kale Second: Mrs. Hutchison

Discussion: This position was previously approved in the 2023 budget.

All those in favor signify by saying Aye 6
Those opposed Nay _____

The President declares the motion Approved

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Adopt a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion: Mrs. Kale Second: Mr. Sertick

Roll Call:	Mr. Pecchia	<u>Aye</u>
	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	_____

The President declares the motion Approved

Time: 5:40 p.m.

The next Board Meeting will be Tuesday, January 17, 2023 the Community Services large conference room at 6:00 p.m.