



**MAHONING COUNTY BOARD OF
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES**

BOARD MEETING

DATE: November 21, 2022
TIME: 6:00 p.m.
PLACE: Community Services large conference room

Minutes

CALL TO ORDER: President Pecchia
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

*****The December 19 Board meeting will begin at 5:00 p.m.**

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

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

The President declares the motion _____

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Adopt a motion to approve the minutes of the October 17, 2022 Board Meeting with any additions or deletions.

Motion: Mrs. Kale Second: Mrs. Patton

Discussion: None

All those in favor signify by saying Aye 7
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: Mr. Sertick Second: Mr. O'Nesti

Discussion: None

All those in favor signify by saying Aye 7
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 October 2022.

Motion: Mrs. Kale Second: Mrs. Hutchison

Discussion: None

All those in favor signify by saying Aye 7
Those opposed Nay _____

The President declares the motion Approved

Monthly Reconciliation: Director of Finance, Sean Kern, advised the activity accounts were reconciled and submitted to the County Auditor for review. We received a \$750 donation from the Simon family for use of LKS and other donations for the Playground Project.

- V. **ETHICS COMMITTEE REPORT:** Chairperson, Andrea Patton, reported that 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 4, 6, and 7. Also reviewed were two shared cost agreements with the MCBDD and Mahoning County Children Services Board, the committee is also recommending full Board support and this item can be found on the Board agenda, item 5.

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

Motion: Mrs. Kale Second: Mrs. Hutchison

Discussion: None

All those in favor signify by saying Aye 7
Those opposed Nay _____

The President declares the motion Approved

VI. ROUTINE BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

1. Adopt a motion to acknowledge the October 2022 Personnel Report of Superintendent Whitacre.

Motion: Mrs. Patton Second: Mrs. Hutchison

Discussion: None

All those in favor signify by saying Aye 7

Those opposed Nay _____

The President declares the motion Approved

VII. CORRESPONDENCE/SPECIAL MENTIONS BEFORE THE BOARD

None

VIII. REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

➤ Administrative Report

- DODD/OACB visit: we were visited to discuss Multi-System Youth (MSY) and our practices as we have great need in Mahoning County and are considered to be doing a great job.
- 2020 Cost Report Audit: We had no findings or paybacks due. We received \$1.3 million dollars in cost settlement.
- LKS Playground: the pavilion has been demolished and we were fortunate enough to have Rudzik Construction Co. offer to complete the work for only \$1,500 which was a tremendous cost savings over the bids that were obtained.

Human Resources Report

➤ Welcome New Staff

- Luanne Knox, Executive Asst.- Investigative Services, eff. 10/10/2022
- Mark Schneider, Instructor's Assistant - LKS, eff. 10/24/2022
- Michelle Douglass, Transportation Aide, eff. 10/24/2022
- Robin Herrera, Transportation Aide, eff. 10/24/2022
- Beverly Hill, Transportation Aide, eff. 10/24/2022
- Yasmin Ilayan, SSA, eff. 10/24/2022

➤ Resignations/Retirements

- Kerry Heitzenrater, retirement, Executive Asst.- Investigative Serv. eff. 10/31/2022

- Shane Kuberry, resignation, Service & Support Administrator, eff. 10/28/2022

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

- Neina Roberts – 20 Years
- Board Finance Committee Report – Mr. Noll reported that no meeting was held. The next meeting will be in January.
- Board Capital Facilities and Grounds Committee – Mrs. Kale reported that no meeting was held in the past month.
- Board Programs, Service Initiatives & Personnel Committee Report – Mr. Sertick reported that no meeting was held in the past month.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENTS

NONE

X. OLD BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

NONE

XI. NEW BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

1. Adopt a motion to create, post and fill one long-term Service Coordinator substitute position in the Early Intervention Department. The hourly wage for this position will be \$24.00 and will be effective November 21, 2022. This position has been reviewed by the Board Programs, Service Initiatives and Personnel Committee.

Motion: Mrs. Patton Second: Mrs. Kale

Discussion: None

All those in favor signify by saying Aye 7
Those opposed Nay _____

The President declares the motion Approved

2. Adopt a motion to enter into an agreement with Alexander's Pest Control, Inc., for pest control services of residential homes, from January

1, 2023 –December 31, 2023, not to exceed \$6,000. This agreement was previously approved as to form by the Mahoning County Prosecutor’s Office.

Motion: Mrs. Kale Second: Mrs. Hutchison

Discussion: None

All those in favor signify by saying Aye 7
Those opposed Nay _____

The President declares the motion Approved

3. Adopt a motion to enter into an agreement with Mahoning Valley Lawncare LLC for snow and ice removal from MCBDD facilities, from November 22, 2022 – May 15, 2023, not to exceed \$20,000.00 This agreement was previously approved as to form by the Mahoning County Prosecutor’s Office.

Motion: Mrs. Kale Second: Mrs. Hutchison

Discussion: None

All those in favor signify by saying Aye 7
Those opposed Nay _____

The President declares the motion Approved

4. Adopt a motion to enter into an agreement with Direct Care Consulting LLC for behavior intervention services, from January 1, 2023 – December 31, 2023, not to exceed \$8,000.00 This contract has been previously reviewed by the Ethics Committee and approved as to form by the Mahoning County Prosecutor’s Office.

Motion: Mrs. Patton Second: Mrs. Kale

Discussion: This contract reflects a \$2,000 reduction from 2022. Direct Care Consulting trains families on BITS.

All those in favor signify by saying Aye 7
Those opposed Nay _____

The President declares the motion Approved

5. Adopt a motion to enter into shared cost agreements for residential placement and treatment by and between the Mahoning County Board of Developmental Disabilities and the Mahoning County Children Services Board for the following A & B:

- A. Individual ID #6668768 for services provided by Thomas Behavioral Healthcare LLC and Sharpe Builders, LLC from December 5, 2021 through December 4, 2022.**
- B. Individual ID #6668768 for services provided by Thomas Behavioral Healthcare, LLC from December 5, 2022 through December 4, 2023.**

Motion: Mrs. Kale

Second: Mrs. Patton

Discussion: None

All those in favor signify by saying Aye 7
Those opposed Nay _____

The President declares the motion Approved

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

- A. Consumer Support Services, Inc. for emergency respite services, not to exceed \$10,000.00.**
- B. Gateways to Better Living, Inc. for emergency respite services, not to exceed \$20,000.00.**
- C. REM Ohio, Inc. for emergency respite services, not to exceed \$10,000.00.**
- D. Consumer Support Services, Inc. for transportation services, not to exceed \$40,000.00.**
- E. Iron and String Life Enhancement, Inc., for emergency respite services, not to exceed \$10,000.00.**

Motion: Mrs. Patton Second: Mrs. Kale

Discussion: These are continuing agreements for services.

All those in favor signify by saying Aye 7

Those opposed Nay _____

The President declares the motion Approved

7. Adopt a motion to enter into an agreement with Consumer Support Services, Inc. for room and board services of individuals served, from January 1, 2023 – December 31, 2023, not to exceed \$150,000.00. This agreement was previously reviewed by the Ethics Committee and approved as to form by the Mahoning County Prosecutor's Office.

Motion: Mrs. Patton Second: Mrs. Hutchison

Discussion: This agreement covers 24 individuals on ICF conversion waivers and represents a significant savings overall.

All those in favor signify by saying Aye 7

Those opposed Nay _____

The President declares the motion Approved

8. Adopt a motion to authorize a budget amendment to increase appropriations in the following accounts for leave and severance payouts:

7500-950-600314	\$24,000	Separation Payouts
7500-950-600334	\$62,000	Earned Time Buyouts

Motion: Mr. Noll Second: Mrs. Hutchison

Discussion:

All those in favor signify by saying Aye 7

Those opposed Nay _____

The President declares the motion Approved

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Adopt a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion: Mrs. Patton Second: Mrs. Kale

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	<u>Aye</u>

The President declares the motion Approved

Time: 6:33 p.m.

**The next Board Meeting will be December 19, 2022 the
Community Services large conference room at 5:00 p.m.**