

Cape County Board for the Developmentally Disabled

Regular Meeting

6:30 p.m. Tuesday, October 11, 2022

Cape Girardeau Public Library, Cape Girardeau, Missouri

Members Present: Steve Naeter Dixie McCollum, Bill Ramsey, Julie Metzger, Traci Ritter, Karen Fornkahl, and Debra Followell. Members Absent: Beth Emmendorfer and Tameika Morris

Regular Meeting was called to order at 6:45 by Chairperson Steve Naeter.

Approve Agenda:

Motion to approve agenda made by Debra Followell; seconded by Julie Metzger. All approved.

Motion to approve September meeting minutes made by Traci Ritter; seconded by Dixie McCollum. All approved.

Public Comment:

Nancy Robertson, representative of Mississippi Valley Therapeutic Horsemanship, stated she had contacted Andrea Roseman of Access Ministry at Lynwood Baptist Church. Nancy informed board Andrea plans to submit a needs assessment to SB40 board at the November meeting.

Treasurer Report:

Dixie McCollum explained the county had overestimated projected taxes to be collected from new projects which will affect anticipated revenue for the SB40 board. A tax rate of .0554 was used to create the 2023 budget. The state auditor report, stated our budget should be based on tax rate .0562. Dixie will follow up with Kara Summers to confirm the corrected SB40 tax rate for 2023.

Invoices received from VIP for August 2022 and CTA for September 2022, will be paid. Board discussed Capital Insurance CNA Surety invoice received for \$1023 and, after receiving guidance from the attorney in making a decision whether the board needs this coverage or not, will pay the premium for 3 years of coverage. This will provide time for the board to research and learn more about the county policy regarding coverage of the SB40 board.

Second Reading of changes to by-laws Election of Officers and Term of Office was done. Karen Fornkahl moved to accept changes proposed to this section; Seconded by Julie Metzger. All approved.

Election of Officers and Term of Office -2nd Reading

The officers so designated shall be elected annually at the May board meeting. Upon being elected, they shall hold the office for a term of one (1) year beginning July 1. A member may serve as Chairperson or Vice Chairperson for no more than two consecutive terms. Thereafter, a member who has served two consecutive terms in the same office may be reelected to that office provided that the member has not occupied that office for at least one year. If any officer resigns or becomes incapacitated so as to be unable to serve and perform the duties of their office, the CCBDD shall, at its next regular meeting, elect a successor from other members on the board, to serve for the unexpired term of office.

Review of Feedback from Community Needs:

Board reviewed and discussed feedback received from school districts regarding ongoing needs for the developmentally disabled in our community. Board discussed a huge problem with families getting caught up in the system and often not being successful in navigating through the steps required to actually receive the help that is needed. The board discussed forming a subcommittee to gather information about county resources, determine what the needs are, and develop a plan for facilitating families in accessing the services that are available to them. Board discussed the committee should be comprised of board members and community members who are already involved in helping the DD in our county. Dixie McCollum made a motion to develop a subcommittee to determine what resources are available and what resources are still needed and approve the following SB40 board members to serve: Karen Fornkahl, Traci Ritter, and Julie Metzger; Seconded by Debra Followell. All Approved. Subcommittee board members will solicit select community members to join subcommittee.

Grant Proposals:

Grant Proposals submitted by Catholic Charities (CC) were reviewed and discussed. Motion was made to approve grant proposal request for \$110,935 for Cape Girardeau DD Home Build Program Pilot was made by Traci Ritter; Seconded by Dixie McCollum. All Approved.

Julie Metzger left meeting at 8:15. Discussion of CC grant proposals continued. Motion was made by Traci Ritter to approve grant proposal request for \$98,825 for Cape Girardeau Employment Services Pilot; Seconded by Dixie McCollum. All approved.

Next Meeting Date: Regular Meeting – November 8, 2022

Motion to Adjourn:

Motion to adjourn meeting was made by Bill Ramsey; seconded by Dixie McCollum. All approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

_____ Date _____

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Debra Followell, Secretary

Steve Naeter, Chairperson

*CCBDD original signed documents are retained on file.