

THE PERRY COUNTY BOARD OF DD
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
March 20, 2024

Sarah A. Winters Building, 601 Senior Drive, New Lexington, Ohio 43764

I. **President Rachel Barnhart called the meeting to order at 5:04 pm.**

II. ROLL CALL:	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED	UNEXCUSED
Rachel Barnhart	X			
Kevin Howell	X			
Fritzie Nitschke	X			
Matt Sheridan		X	X	
Denise Dupler	X			
Karen Chennells		X – Absent at roll call – arrived at 5:05 pm		
Sky Gettys	X			

Others in attendance: Caley Boyden, Jessica Stroup, Chrissy Berkheimer, and Jenny Keister.

III. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:
Res. 2024-03-01**

Sky Gettys move to approve the March regular Board meeting agenda and any additions, as submitted. Kevin Howell seconded the motion.

Discussion: Roberts Rules of Order stipulate such a motion for each meeting agenda.

Motion Passed by majority vote.

IV. **COMMITTEES:** An Ethics Committee Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 15, 2024, immediately following the Regular May PCBDD Board Meeting.

V. **REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
Res. 2024-03-02**

Karen Chennells moved to approve the minutes of the February 21, 2024, PCBDD regular Board meeting, as presented. Denise Dupler seconded the motion.

Discussion: None

Motion Passed by majority vote. (Sky Gettys abstained)

VI. BOARD REPORTS

A. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – DAVID COUCH – *Verbal Report*

David's report was included in the packet. David is not in attendance due to illness. Caley Boyden will do his verbal report for the Board. Caley shared that everyone except Karen and Sky's terms are up at the end of 2024. Matt Sheridan will not be renewing his term. Rachel, Kevin, and Fritzie all shared they would like to return. Denise is undecided and will let Chrissy know as soon as she decides. Jenny's MUI report was included in the packet. Jenny will be presenting an MUI training at the conclusion of the Board meeting so if there are any questions please feel free to ask. Rachel shared that appreciates all the work that goes into Jenny's report each month. Vikki's SSA Intake report was included in the packet. Sky shared that he would love to see a comparison from the previous year/years to see if we are on track for the month. Karen asked what "REDET" referred to, Caley shared that it means, redetermination. Caley shared about the two different House bills that are being discussed. One would affect PerCo and the minimum wage and the other one targets replacement levies. Our DODD accreditation review went well. We received the maximum 3-year award with two citations. These were based around service planning and our plan of correction has already been sent into DODD. Shelly, David, and Ashley are in the middle of their examiner site visit this week. Next week, TPE will be on-site at PCBDD for our site visit. Caley shared that the official word has not come in yet, but it looks like the New Lexington Park project will be receiving grant money. The New Lexington Workforce Development building received grant money for renovations and an additional wing for the building. They have asked for our help in designing the entryway so it will be accessible for everyone. Karen shared that their facilities and programs are amazing. Children's Services were wanting to tap into some capital funds for a project to build a visitation building adjacent to their building. They planned to use it for outreach, education, and for visits. Caley shared this is on hold now as the Commissioners own the land. State Representative Mark Johnson and Senator JD Vance's SE Representative, Kelli Johnson met with Senior Leaders on March 1st. It was a great visit where we could share all the impressive things we are doing in Perry County.

B. CHILDREN'S PROGRAM DIRECTOR'S REPORT – ASHLEY REED

Ashley's report was included in the packet. No discussion.

C. SSA ADMINISTRATION DIRECTOR'S REPORT – N/A

D. COMMUNITY SUPPORTS DIRECTOR'S REPORT - SHELLY LACKEY

Shelly's report was included in the packet. No discussion.

E. ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORTS DIRECTOR'S REPORT – JESSICA STROUP

Jessica's report was included in the packet. Jessica reminded everyone that tomorrow is Rock Your Socks. She also shared that all three offers of employment were accepted, and all three new hires will begin on Monday, April 1, 2024. Karen asked what positions these were, Jessica shared ALA Specialist, Behavioral Supports Specialist, and a Service and Support Administrator (SSA).

VII. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES:

Res. 2023-03-03

Kevin Howell moved to approve the expenditures, as presented. Sky Gettys seconded the motion.

Discussion: Caley's reports were included in the packet. PC Wellness received grant money. Title XX will be drawn on in the remaining quarters to bring us closer to our projection. Sky asked when we receive our levy money. Caley shared, normally April. The MEORC account balance is incorrect in Caley's report. The actual account balance is around \$900,000. MEORC FSS is also incorrect as \$50,000 is going in to bring the account back to positive, not \$60,000 as stated in Caley's report.

Motion Passed by majority vote.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS:

Res. 2024-03-04

Karen Chennells moved to approve the contract with the Ohio Network for Innovation (ONI) for guardianship and supported decision-making services for 2023 – 2024 for \$21,900, as presented. Denise Dupler seconded the motion.

Discussion: This motion was tabled at the February 21, 2024, regular Board meeting. Karen questioned if Supported Decision Making (SDM) is separate, Caley shared that it is separate. SDM could be used as an alternative if necessary. Karen shared that SDM has been instrumental in helping her daughter.

Motion Passed by majority vote. (Kevin Howell abstained)

IX. NEW BUSINESS:

Res. 2024-03-05


Karen Chennells moved to approve the contract with the GO2IT Group, for I.T. support, as presented. Denise Dupler seconded the motion.

Discussion: Caley shared that after much deliberation, there will be no change of price and no change to the scope of services. This was done to update the contract from the old name of BSSI. Sky questioned if we could put this out to bid when the contract is up for renewal so we could see if we are getting the best deal. Caley shared we can.


Motion Passed by majority vote.

X. PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

XI. ADJOURNMENT: Sky Gettys moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:42 pm. Fritzie Nitschke seconded the motion.



Rachel Barnhart – Board President



Denise Dupler – Board Secretary