

Lucas County Board of Developmental Disabilities**Annual Board Meeting****April 24, 2023**

Place of Meeting: Larc Lane Center-Training Center
1155 Larc Lane, Toledo, Ohio

Time: 6:30 P.M.

Members Present: Mr. Ron Volk, President, presided
Mr. Bill Axe, Ms. Megan DeSloover, Dr. Eileen
Quinn, Mr. Connor Smenner, Ms. Cheryl Tyler-
Folsom and Ms. Linnie Willis

Members Absent: N/A

I. Welcome and Opening Remarks

Mr. Ron Volk, President, welcomed everyone to the Annual Meeting. He thanked special guest Mr. Tim Schneider, Northwest Ohio Representative from U.S. Senator J.D. Vance's office for being in attendance. Mr. Volk then introduced the Board members.

II. Board Business:**A. Oath of Office:**

As required by the Ohio Constitution, Board members took the oath of office, which was administered by Judge Jack Puffenberger of the Lucas County Probate Court. Judge Puffenberger thanked Board members for their service on the Board.

Judge Puffenberger acknowledged Mr. Scott Sylak, Executive Director of the Mental Health and Recovery Services Board of Lucas County, who was in attendance.

B. Call to Order:

Mr. Volk, President, thanked Judge Puffenberger. He then called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m. Following roll call, the Board excused the absence of Ms. Tyler-Folsom who had become ill and had to leave.

C. Consent Agenda:

Mr. Volk made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda dated April 24, 2023 as submitted. Seconded by Ms. Willis. Motion carried unanimously.

1. March 27, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes – To approve the March 27, 2023 Board meeting minutes as submitted.
2. Employee Compensation (Correction to 3/27/23 motion) – To approve the two (2) management increases to be effective retro to April 10, 2023.

III. Keynote Speaker: Michael Marshall, Nineteen Services

Ms. Michele Myerholtz, Interim Superintendent, introduced keynote speaker Mr. Michael Marshall. Mr. Marshall is a Provider Support Specialist at Nineteen Services and an advocate for individuals with developmental disabilities. He is a part-time speaker building the “Be BRAVE : Be BOLD” advocacy movement.

Mr. Nabil Shaheen, Public Information Manager, thanked Mr. Marshall for his inspiring message. Mr. Shaheen then acknowledged special guest in the audience, State Senator Paula Hicks-Hudson.

IV. Feature Presentations:

The Community Partnership Awards are presented to organizations, businesses and individuals in our community who partner with the Board to improve LIFE for individuals with developmental disabilities so they can reach their full potential. LIFE is the acronym for the Board’s Core Values:

- L – Living LIFE
- I – Inclusion
- F – Freedom of Choice
- E – Everyone has worth

A. Community Partnership Awards

Mr. Shaheen introduced the recipients of this year’s Community Partnership Awards.

1. FilmToledo
2. Dr. Rebecca Monteleone, University of Toledo
3. UT Best Buddies
4. The Storehouse
5. Toledo Police Department
6. Wynn-Reeth

All recipients were present to accept their awards.

B. Special Recognitions:

1. Self-Advocate of the Year – Interim Superintendent Myerholtz presented the 2022 Self Advocate of the Year Award to Ms. Phillis Schmidbauer.

2. Staff Person(s) of the Year – Interim Superintendent Myerholtz presented the 2022 Staff Person(s) of the Year Award to Ms. Priscilla Green, Ms. Molly Montgomery and Ms. Deb Staccone.
3. Manager of the Year – Interim Superintendent Myerholtz presented the 2022 Manager of the Year Award to Ms. Nina Beckford, Record’s and Imaging Manager.
4. 2022 Spirit Award – Ms. Carolyn Cousins was chosen as the 2022 Spirit Award winner. Mr. London Mitchell, retired Public Information Manager, presented this prestigious award which embodies the spirit of service and recognizes a lifetime of dedication to individuals with developmental disabilities.

V. 2022 Accomplishments/Priorities for 2023

Interim Superintendent Myerholtz introduced a video identifying the accomplishments of 2022. She along with several individuals being served by the Board highlighted the priorities for 2023.

VI. New Business: Ethics Council Review

The Ethics Council convened immediately after the Annual Meeting.

VII. Closing Remarks/Adjournment

On behalf of the Board, Mr. Volk congratulated all award winners, community partners and Board staff. He thanked everyone for all of the important work they do for individuals with developmental disabilities.

Mr. Volk made a motion to adjourn at 8:10 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Axe. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Michele Myerholtz, Interim Superintendent

Attest:



Bill Axe, Recording Secretary

Approved by:



Ron C. Volk, President