

**Lucas County Board of Developmental Disabilities**

**May 23, 2022**

Place of Meeting: Administrative Services Building  
1154 Larc Lane, Toledo, Ohio

Time: 6:00 P.M.

Member Present: Mr. Bill Axe

Members Present via Virtual Zoom Meeting: Mr. Ron Volk, President, presided  
Ms. Megan DeSloover, Dr. Eileen Quinn, Mr. Nate Turner and Ms. Linnie Willis

Member Absent: Ms. Cheryl Tyler-Folsom

*Note: Preceding the Board meeting, the Board members participated in Board Training conducted by Ms. Sarah Diesch and Ms. Erica McElmurry, MUI Coordinators, titled "MUI Rule Training."*

I. Call to Order/Welcome:

Mr. Ron Volk, President, called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. Following roll call, the Board excused the absence of Ms. Cheryl Tyler-Folsom.

Mr. Volk welcomed everyone.

During the presentation of Special Recognition Awards, the Board recognized:

- A. Retiree Linda Ritchie with 31 years and 9 months of service. Ms. Ritchie was unable to join the Zoom meeting.
- B. Shalonda Ezell from Mary Ella Homes and Provider Services, with the May 2022 Special Recognition Award. Ms. Ezell was able to join the Zoom meeting.
- C. Peggy Miller, Carolyn Thomas and Theressie Tilman from Unique Health Care Solutions with the May 2022 Special Recognition Award. All three ladies were able to join the Zoom meeting.
- D. Becky McCreery, as the May 2022 Staff Person of the Month. Ms. McCreery was unable to join the Zoom meeting.

On behalf of the Board, Mr. Volk thanked all of the special recognition award winners for all of the work they do for the individuals that we serve. Special recognition plaques will be forwarded to Special Recognition awardees.

At this time, Mr. Volk then opened the floor for public comments. Ms. Yvette Brown, President, AFSCME, Ohio Council 8, Local 3794, AFL-CIO addressed the Board on behalf of the Professional Unit staff and Support Services, Technical and Clerical (SSTC) Unit staff of the Board.

Ms. Trish Rudnicki-Pasker, Vice President of the Union addressed the Board on behalf of the Professional Unit and SSTC Unit staff as well.

Ms. Shannon O'Connor Bowes commented given the increase in the crime rates across the country, especially around metropolitan area, is there anything being looked at with staff going out into the community more often?

Mr. Volk thanked Ms. Brown, Ms. Rudnicki-Pasker and Ms. O'Connor Bowes for their comments. He indicated that the issues brought up by Ms. Brown and Ms. Rudnicki-Pasker are subject to collective bargaining; therefore, the appropriate forum to discuss these concerns is during negotiations.

The issue brought up by Ms. O'Connor Bowes will be taken up with management.

II. Board Action Items:

A. Consent Agenda:

Mr. Volk opened the floor to Board members and asked if there were any topics to be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Topics for Board Discussion section. No topics were removed from the Consent Agenda.

After hearing no topics be removed from the Consent Agenda, Ms. Willis made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda dated May 23, 2022 as submitted. Seconded by Mr. Turner. Motion carried unanimously.

1. April 25, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes

To approve the April 25, 2022 Annual Meeting minutes as submitted.

2. No Correspondence

There is no correspondence this month.

3. Limited Employment Contracts

There are no limited contracts for renewal this month.

4. Contracts:

- a) Renhill Contract Amendment – To approve an Amendment for Renhill, effective January 24, 2022 through August 12, 2022, an amount not to exceed Thirty-Two Thousand, One Hundred Eighteen Dollars and Sixty Cents (\$32,118.60).

5. Annual Report to the Community

To approve for publication the 2021 Annual Report to the Community.

6. Ethics Council Recommendations

To accept the Ethics Council recommendation as noted in its minutes of April 25, 2022.

7. Approval of New Position

To approve the following position: Multi-Media Communication Specialist.

A. Topics Requiring Board Discussion:

1. Finance Report **(Board Motion)**

Mr. Richard Jackson, Director of Business Operations, highlighted the financials for March and April 2022.

After discussion, Mr. Axe made a motion to approve the Financial Reports for March and April 2022. Seconded by Mr. Turner. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Resolutions and Vouchers **(Board Motion)**

Payment schedules for March and April 2022 stand as submitted. Ms. Willis made a motion to approve the payment schedules for March and April 2022. Seconded by Dr. Quinn. Motion carried unanimously.

III. Presentation:

There is no formal presentation scheduled this month.

IV. Program Priorities and Goals Update:

- A. Management Letter: Assistant Superintendent Michele Myerholtz highlighted the Management Letter for March and April 2022. She thanked the Service and Support Specialists for their hard work transitioning to the OhioISP.

- B. Statistics/Metrics: March and April 2022 figures were provided in the Metrics Report dated May 13, 2022.
- C. Provider Community:
  - 1. Preferred Properties, Inc.: The Executive Director reports for March and April 2022 were provided by Ms. Cheryl Wilson.
- D. Supplemental Reports:
  - 1. MUI Unit Report – A status of March and April 2022 MUI unit activities were provided. There were 59 MUIs filed in March and 66 MUIs filed in April 2022.

V. Board Governance Matters:

- A. Board Member Comments/Questions/Assignments/Presentations: Mr. Turner thanked the Board for sending him to the OACB Spring Conference. He conducted two presentations at the Conference that were well-received. He encouraged the other Board members to attend future conferences.
- B. Legislative Update: A status of legislative activities was provided in a memorandum dated May 12, 2022 prepared by Ms. Mary Anne Burns, Legal Counsel.
- C. Future Service Contracts: Per request of the Board, service contracts will be submitted one month in advance for review. Board action on the one contract in this section will be presented to the Board for approval at the June Board meeting.
- D. Workforce Sustainability Incentive Program (Status Report): A status report of the Workforce Sustainability Incentive Program was provided by Assistant Superintendent Myerholtz dated May 18, 2022.
- E. COVID-19 Exceptions Log: The COVID-19 Exceptions Log identifies exceptions to Board policies during the COVID-19 State of Emergency. There was one change since reported last month.

VI. Old Business

There were no issues to come before the Board under Old Business.

VII. Board Calendar of Events:

- A. Monday, May 30, 2022: Memorial Holiday – Facilities Closed
- B. Tuesday, June 14, 2022: Family & Advocate Forum @ 9:30 a.m. via Zoom

- C. Monday, June 20, 2022: Juneteenth Holiday – Facilities Closed
- D. Monday, June 27, 2022: LCBDD Board Meeting @ 5:30 p.m. via Zoom
- E. Tuesday, August 2 – August 4, 2022: Accreditation Review
- F. Monday, August 22, 2022: LCBDD Board Meeting @ 5:30 p.m., Location – TBD

VIII. Executive Session:

Mr. Turner made a motion to go into Executive Session at 6:44 p.m. to discuss Pending Litigation with the Attorney, Client Matters Required to be kept Confidential by Federal or State Law, and Collective Bargaining. Seconded by Ms. Willis. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote:

Mr. Bill Axe voted - yes  
Ms. Megan DeSloover voted - yes  
Dr. Eileen Quinn voted - yes  
Mr. Nate Turner voted - yes  
Ms. Cheryl Tyler-Folsom - absent  
Mr. Ron Volk voted - yes  
Ms. Linnie Willis voted - yes

Motion by Ms. Willis to return to regular session at 7:33 p.m. following discussion of the above. Seconded by Mr. Turner. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote:

Mr. Bill Axe voted - yes  
Ms. Megan DeSloover voted - yes  
Dr. Eileen Quinn voted - yes  
Mr. Nate Turner voted - yes  
Ms. Cheryl Tyler-Folsom - absent  
Mr. Ron Volk voted - yes  
Ms. Linnie Willis voted - yes


IX. New Business:

- A. There was no action taken from the Executive Session.
- B. There is no Ethics Council meeting tonight as there are no pending requests for review.


X. Adjournment:

Mr. Volk thanked everyone for attending tonight's Board meeting. Motion by Mr. Axe to adjourn at 7:34 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Turner. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Michele Myerholtz, Assistant Superintendent

Attest:   
Eileen Quinn, Recording Secretary

Approved by:   
Ron Volk, President