



**Ohio Association of
Community Action Agencies**

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Board of Trustees Meeting
July 18, 2014
The Doubletree by Hilton
Worthington, Ohio**

Members Present: Tom Reed, President; Gwen Robinson, Second Vice President; Ruthann House, Treasurer; Janice Warner, Secretary; Joe Devany; Tim Donnellan; Ken Kempton; Al Norris; Josh Anderson; Deb Gerken; Judith Barris; Wayne McLaughlin; Rodney Reasonover; David Shea; Cheryl Thiessen and Bambi Baughn.

Members Excused: David Brightbill, First Vice President; Malcolm Costa; Robert Hamilton; Gary Obloy and Gary Ricer.

Staff Present: Philip E. Cole, Executive Director; Josh Summer, Development Director; Lorie McClain, Program Manager and Neva Dunn.

Guests Present: Robert Chilton.

Mr. Reed called the meeting to order. A quorum was established. Mr. Reed asked for a moment of reflection.

Mr. Reed acknowledged Mrs. Robinson as past president and presented her with a gift for her service.

Mr. Norris moved to approve the agenda. Mr. Reasonover seconded. The agenda was approved.

Ms. House moved to approve the minutes. Mr. Norris seconded. The minutes were approved.

Finance Report: Ruthann House

The Finance report is as presented (see attached); there are no financial issues to discuss. Motion to accept report as presented Ms. Gerken, second by Ms. Barris, motion approved.

DSA report

The contract to update the IVR is in process, the actual project could take up to five years. The new system would be 24 hours a day and hopefully provide statewide IVR service. Discussion.

President's Report: Tom Reed

Mr. Reed reported that the standing committees would continue, Chairs of the respective committees will pick the members.

Social Enterprise/Marketing Report: Robert Chilton

Mr. Chilton reported that he received 16 additional responses to the survey. The next step will be convening the committee. He would like to dive deeper and present a comprehensive proposal at the Winter Conference.

Training and Development Report: Robert Hamilton

Ms. McClain reported in Mr. Hamilton's absence that the War on Poverty mini conference will be held September 8 & 9th at the Deer Creek Lodge, Mt. Sterling. The cost per night is \$92. The registration fee is \$72 per person.

There will be a Family Development training October 8 -10th at the Holiday Inn, downtown. The hotel cost per night is \$94, workshop cost is \$80 per person.

Public Relations Report: Janice Warner

No report

Veteran's Committee: Robert Hamilton

Nothing to report

Best Practices: Bambi Baughn

No report.

Personnel Report: Tim Donnellan

Mr. Donnellan would like to schedule a meeting. No report.

Legislative Committee and Executive Director's Report: Phil Cole

Mr. Cole reported that we've been trying to help CLS for a long time, but it doesn't look like it's going to be successful. The State plans to decertify the agency. In addition SOURCES may also be decertified. DMU and Lima have been designated as emergency agencies.

Mr. Cole asked the Board to decide when our obligation to help a troubled agency should end. Discussion.

Ruthann House made a motion that once an agency is decertified we (OACAA) no longer provide technical assistance. Ken Kempton made the second. Motion passed.

Mr. Cole stated there are some questions about Pathway and its long-term viability. They are still in a rebuilding stage.

There has been no change from last meeting with CEOGC, Mr. Cole has been working with Board Chair George Forbes, and they need good strong leadership at this point.

The Governor's office has asked us to help with the Warm Coats campaign again this year. We have nine counties participating this year. The counties of Gallia, Meigs, Jackson, Vinton, Highland, Ross, Pike, Lawrence and Clinton are this year's participating counties

Bi-Laws: Ken Kempton

No report

Energy Report: Joe Devany

See attached.

Partnership Report: Joe Devany

Mr. Devany reported that the Partnership board has dismissed Don Mathis without cause, his position has not been posted as of yet.

This is an election year for the Partnership. Mr. Devany is interested in running for reelection this year, but he will step aside if anyone else wants to run for region V representative. This year the conference runs through Saturday. Tim Donnellan has been chosen to receive the Lyndon B. Johnson Humanitarian Award. Mark Shriver will speak at the dinner this year.

Head Start Report: Rodney Reasonover

Mr. Reasonover reported that the Obama Administration's Early Head Start Child Care Partnership Expansion program RFP is due by August 20, 2014.

CAPLAW: David Brightbill

No report.

Agency/District Reports

Nothing to report

Old Business

No old business

New Business

Letters were asked for from districts 4 & 6 to fill their vacant positions.

Motion to adjourn by Ms. House. Ms. Warner seconded. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice W. Warner, Secretary

Date