

LAFAYETTE COUNTY CHILDREN'S SERVICES FUND BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

MINUTES: Wednesday October 18th, 2017 at Lafayette County Health Department, Lower Level, Lexington, MO.

Commissioners:

Craig Williams
Harold Hoeflander
Tracy Dyer

Board of Directors:

Board Chair
Arron B. Haynes
Higginsville

Treasurer
Terry Thompson
Lexington

Secretary
Tammy Zumalt
Waverly

Opal Johnson
Mayview

Mary Borgman
Wellington

Tahnami Gittinger
Odessa

Mark Heins
Concordia

Aaron Dye
Lexington

Chip Langman
Lexington

Executive Director:
Tiffany Dehn

Arron Haynes called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. Everyone in attendance introduced themselves.

The following board members were present for tonight's meeting: Arron Haynes, Opal Johnson, Tammy Zumalt, Mary Borgman, Aaron Dye, Terry Thompson, and Mark Heins.

Guests: Aaron Knipmeyer and Lori Drenon

Executive Director- Tiffany Dehn

Commissioner liaison- Craig Williams

Approval of Agenda: Tammy moved to approve the agenda, Aaron Dye seconded. All were in favor, motion passed.

Minutes: Terry moved to approve the minutes written for the September 20th, 2017 meeting, Mark seconded. All were in favor, motion passed.

Reports:

Treasurers Report- The treasurers report was presented by Terry due to the absence of Bill Molini. Total assets as of October 13th, 2017 were \$657,553.70. Compared to October 13th, 2016 they were at \$629,160.71, which is a positive variation of \$27,392.99. As of September 30th, total COGS paid out are \$155,685.43. Total program income from MODOR is \$248,448.88 thus far for the year. Opal moved to accept the Treasurers report, Tammy seconded. Motion passed as 5 out of 6 voted in favor.

Bills to be paid- Tammy read off the checks that were presented to the board. Foster Adopt Connect - \$1,462.06, Lafayette County (TIF expense) - \$4,133, House of Hope - \$8,999.92, ESMW - \$2,019.60. Mark moved to sign the checks and pay the bills that were presented to the board. Mary seconded, motion passed as 5 out of 6 voted in favor.

Budget review- Terry went over the budget and identified the actual amounts for Jan-Sep 2017 vs. YTD Budgeted amounts. The board takes a very conservative approach when budgeting the sales tax revenue. The budgeted amount is anticipation of \$310,000. Actual amount received since January 1st is \$248,498.47. The overall budget is still on track with no significance variance. Mark and Terry discussed asking Bill to include a variance column on the budget for the future. Terry mentioned that the next time we will review the budget will be in December and at that time will also need to start preparation of the 2018 budget.

Executive Directors report – Tiffany shared her report for the month. The Executive Directors report can be found on the website with thorough information. The main highlight this month was in regard to meetings/discussions held with school districts and the county wide suicide trend/crisis occurring. Tiffany shared that when other counties have been faced with a crisis many times the CSF's will organize a onetime funded community event. St. Charles county hosted a community baby shower in response to ongoing needs/crisis of young children and mothers. Other counties have funded special trainings for teachers and

community members to impact problems that are faced. Tiffany encouraged the board to discuss the ongoing suicide trend happening throughout Lafayette County and encouraged the board to discuss

hosting a suicide prevention training/conference/event aimed at the entire county for everyone. After discussion among the board, all board members present were in favor of organizing an event/program/training. The overall consensus was for Tiffany to gather information to provide the board next month. The budget for 2017 has an allowance of \$10,000 for grief counseling services. So far none of that budgeted amount has been spent. The funding for the organized event can come from the budgeted \$10,000. Terry moved to move forward on the recommendation of hosting an event on this topic of teen suicide, Mary seconded. All were in favor, motion passed and next month will be placed on the agenda for further discussion/planning.

Tiffany also shared with the board about writing an article for the Odessan newspaper. With board approval Tiffany will continue to provide information to the Lafayette County newspapers to keep the community informed of what is occurring with LCCSF. After some discussion took place among the board members, a common agreement was made to have the Executive Director communicate with all county newspapers. Terry moved to approve of the Executive Director writing to the newspapers throughout the county on a quarterly basis, Aaron Dye seconded. All were in favor, motion passed. Opal moved to accept the article prepared by Tiffany to the newspapers with the adjustments Tiffany requested to make, including the meeting date/time. Mary seconded, all were in favor, motion passed.

Tiffany shared with the board and Commissioner Liaison, Craig, the application she created for board member appointment. Some discussion took place and the board recommended that the application should be used if the County Commission were in favor of using it. Tammy moved to recommend the application for use, Opal seconded. All were in favor, motion passed.

Site Visit report- Tiffany shared with the board the site visit review of Compass Health/Pathways. Pathways was compliant with all requests and provided all information needed.

Opal moved to accept the Executive Directors report, Tammy seconded. All were in favor, motion passed.

Funding Requests: All proposal requests and scoring sheets were included in the board members packets. All board members will need to complete the scoring sheets and have them back to the ED by next months board meeting. Funding decisions will be made at the December board meeting.

Unfinished Business: Update for Pathways implementation of school based services in the county was given by Tiffany. Tiffany shared that Lucas had told her that all of the clinicians were trained and in the schools. They had adjusted the main focus within the Higginsville district to now include grief groups and/or grief counseling. Tammy questioned if the original proposal stated that they would be in every school district 3 days a week, and that they were currently in Santa Fe only 2 days out of the week. Tiffany asked Aaron Knipmeyer how many days Pathways was currently giving to Higginsville district. Aaron took the opportunity to share that the district was receiving approximately 3 full days however he had some concerns in regard to the licensing of one of the new clinicians. Aaron shared with the board that he was concerned that one of the Pathways employees was misrepresenting herself as a counselor in the school districts. Aaron had talked with Lucas at Pathways and told the board that since learning of her licensing issues had not returned to provide any more services. Discussion took place among the board and all agreed that they were concerned with the reported issues. They requested that the Executive Director follow up with Pathways asap to discuss the concerns.

New Business: Review of Bylaws (Discussion about committees)- Tiffany read through Article VI of the bylaws, section 6.1 and 6.3. Article VII, section 7.2. Currently the bylaws identify the types of committees that can be held by board members and the role of the chairperson for assignment of members to committees. At the request of Chip, Tiffany presented to the board some recommendations and revisions to the bylaws that would allow for additional committees. Chip also provided a Memo for the board that explained his thoughts on the committees and recommendation to table the discussion to next month. Terry mentioned that the board had paid a significant amount of money, in the past, to someone from the University (consultant) that helped the board to organize and establish the LCCSF bylaws. He recommended that the board practice the bylaws as they are written before altering changes to them however the discussion could be tabled until next month. No action was taken.

Public Comments: Public comments began with Aaron Knipmeyer's update on the transition funding for Brighter Futures students. Aaron shared that the funds would cover approximately 129 sessions and that 80 2/3 had been used so far with approximately 48 sessions left. 1 provider has been on maternity leave and not able to provide the services currently. 35 students have been transitioning. Lori Drenon shared with the board some information on behalf of the school districts and how they are addressing the suicide issue. They are using a training through First Call KC, called Signs of Suicide. Throughout the county school districts are assessing children yearly with a baseline suicide assessment. If a child is suicidal they are immediately referred for services. Teachers and staff are receiving training so that they are prepared to handle suicide crisis'.

Adjourn: Opal moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 pm. Aaron Dye seconded, all were in favor, motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,
Tiffany Dehn
Coordinator

Reviewed by,
Tammy Zumalt
Secretary

Mark your calendar for the upcoming LCCSB meetings:

<u>Reminder:</u> _____	Wednesday, February 21, 2018
Wednesday, November 15, 2017	Wednesday, March 21, 2018
Wednesday, December 20, 2017	Wednesday, April 18, 2018
Wednesday, January 17, 2018	Wednesday, May 16, 2018
	Wednesday, June 20, 2018