

MINUTES OF THE
MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SERVICES
April 19, 2022
Via Remote Technology

I. CALL TO ORDER/BOARD MEMBER ATTENDANCE

Board President, Madeline Iseli, called the April 19, 2022 meeting of the Montgomery County Board of Developmental Disabilities Services to order at 7:02 p.m.

Members Present: President, Madeline Iseli; Vice President, Naima Quarles-Burnley; Secretary Richard Schultze; Dr. Stephen Fortson; Janet Peasant; Dr. Susan Komorowski; Joanna White Superintendent, Dr. Pamela Combs

Ms. Iseli opened the meeting by reading the Board's Vision and Mission.

~ Moment of Silence

Ms. Iseli asked the Board to observe a moment of silence in memory of those who have passed away since our last Board Meeting, whether they be individuals served or their family members, staff or their family members, or friends of the Board.

II. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

A. Dr. Julie Gentile Proclamation

Even though Dr. Gentile and her team at Wright State Physicians will be ending their contract with MCBDDS effective April 20, 2022, they will still be an option for for our individuals to continue with their psychiatric services through Access Health Ohio.

Ms. Iseli thanked Dr. Gentile for joining us and expressed how much she has meant to many of our families. Ms. Iseli read a Proclamation prepared for Dr. Gentile by our Board President and Superintendent and an original signed certificate of the Proclamation will be mailed to Dr. Gentile.

Ms. Iseli said to Dr. Gentile "You have meant so much to my family. My sister is non-verbal and she needed your help, and you helped her. We are just one of hundreds of families, thousands of people who have been touched over your 21 years. Thank you."

Dr. Gentile thanked the Board so much. She said it has truly been an honor all of these years to serve so many patients and their families. She said she looks forward to continuing to serve Montgomery County; just from a different location and software system. She said MCBDDS administration has supported her team and

facilitated their work and they couldn't have asked for more, stating we are an amazing team with incredible leadership. "It's been an honor" she said.

Dr. Komorowski thanked Dr. Gentile. She said it's always difficult in any health care area to find psychiatrists who are really good, helpful, and available, stating she has always really appreciated Dr. Gentile's help.

Ms. Iseli thanked Dr. Gentile again and said we look forward to continuing to work with her.

III. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the March minutes and took action as follows:

Motion: Ms. Iseli moved that the Montgomery County Board of DD Services approve the minutes of the March 15, 2022 Board Meeting. Dr. Fortson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

IV. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS

A. Update by Superintendent

Pamela said everything is going really well and she talked briefly about the following items that were included in her written report provided in the packet:

- We are still facing the DSP Workforce challenge. It looks like County Boards across the state are going to support providing a 6.5% rate increase that will help fund providers and keep all of our systems going while one day the state may look at the Medicaid rate. This is about the same amount we have been supporting our providers the last two years and with this support across the state, it will help strengthen our systems overall.
- Our EI Team received a report from the state that they are doing everything really well. They are processing everything on time, determinations are being made on time, and all requirements are being met.
- Even with the increase in our area somewhat, it does seem that our COVID numbers have pretty much been plateaued since last month. We have a new case once in a while but it's no longer the daily cases we were getting. We are cautiously optimistic. We are still having our staff mask when providing direct services and we are still providing PPE. We are planning outdoor recreation events for this summer and looking at things we can do in smaller groups.
- DODD Director Hauck is still planning to visit us on May 4 at Polen Farm. Pamela shared the overall itinerary with the Board stating there will be a lot of quick stops prior to ending up at Polen Farm. The meeting with families

and stakeholders will take place at the farm from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. Pamela asked the Board to let her know if they want to attend.

- Pamela thanked Kamarr for leading a presentation on the Parity, Inc. Black Leadership Dayton Human Services Group on a minority health day. Pamela invited Kamarr to share how the presentation went. Kamarr said it went well. There were about 12 participants comprising of professionals and young students. Ironically there was a new DD provider in the room trying to connect with us and spoke to Kamarr after the presentation. Kamarr said it was very purposeful and a great opportunity. Pamela said we are getting asked more and more to be part of leadership trainings and events hosted by the county or other counties and it's really exciting to be "at the table" and "on the agenda" to be part of those things.

B. Department of Safety and Protection Annual MUI Executive Report

The Board Members had many questions about this report and it was agreed we will provide a training in May. Pamela asked the Board to e-mail questions to her or Bill Angel so answers can be prepared before the training.

C. E-mail from county re: Winners of UNCF Fundraiser

This e-mail was included in the Board Packet.

Interjection: Mr. Schultze said we talked a couple of meetings ago about the possibility of appointing a person with developmental disabilities to our Board and, with two Board Members leaving at the end of this year, he wondered if there has been anymore thinking about that.

In response, Pamela said "Yes, definitely." Pamela said we were able to pull data from across the state and about a third of the counties have someone on their Board with a developmental disability and quite a few counties have two people on their Board with a developmental disability.

Ms. Quarles-Burnley said she likes the idea of having two people as there is some sense of comradery and perhaps not a sense of isolation.

Ms. Iseli said we will have to work with the appointing authorities.

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Ethics Committee – Janet Peasant, Chairperson

There were no individuals to review for the month of April.

B. Finance Committee – Richard Schultze, Chairperson

After providing a brief overview of each item listed below, Mr. Schultze asked if there were any questions, and there were none.

1. Contracts previously approved by the Superintendent
These contracts were listed in the Board Packet and were within the Superintendent's budget authority granted by the Board. No action was required.

2. Review of Program Vouchers for March 2022
These Program Vouchers were provided in the Board packet and included expenditures that are over \$1,000.00. No action was required.

3. Approval of April Resolutions Calendar

Motion: Mr. Schultze moved that the Montgomery County Board of DD Services approve the April Resolutions Calendar for item(s) 041922-06. Dr. Komorowski seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Financial Reports

The Financial Reports for March 2022 were in the Board packet. In the absence of Andrew Kinder, Mr. Schultze asked Finance and Payroll Manager Becky Herzog how we are doing financially. Becky said we are in a really good spot. We are about 25% through the year and when you take a look at our expenses they are about 23.1% on budget and our revenue about 30% on budget. The revenue is a little bit higher due to waiver reconciliation. In answer to Mr. Schultze asking how we are doing compared generally to the whole DD Board system throughout the state, Becky said we are right on target with the rest of the state and things are moving in the right direction.

C. Human Resources Committee – Madeline Iseli, Chairperson

1. Approval of Position Change (MH Manager)

This position is being reclassified to reflect additional management duties Dr. Kidd is taking on that will affect the level of this position and how it is posted.

Motion: Ms. Iseli moved that the Montgomery County Board of DD Services approve the above recommendations and authorize the Superintendent to take all steps necessary to implement the changes. Dr. Fortson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Interjection: Ms. Iseli thanked the Board for weighing in on the Superintendent's evaluation. The HR Committee reviewed all input and will have a full proposal on a contract offer for Pamela at the May Board Meeting during Executive Session.

D. Policy Committee – Naima Quarles-Burnley, Chairperson

Ms. Quarles-Burnley shared that the May meeting will be her last on the Board as her family is relocating.

1. First Reading of Selected Policies and Procedures

These policies were held until May:

VII .065	Notification of Criminal Charges
VII .09	Personnel Records
VII .49	Layoff of Classified and Unclassified Employees
VII.61	Outside Employment New Title: Conflict of Interest

2. Second Reading and Approval of Selected Policies and Acknowledgement of Selected Procedures

These policies were held until May:

III.01	Superintendent
VII.53	Reference Checks
VII.72	Delivery of Notices
IX.111	Administrative Resolution of Complaints

3. Request to Rescind

This policy was held until May:

VII .45	Conflict of Interest
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VI. SPECIAL REPORTS

A. Monthly Updates for DDS Departments – included in packet.

B. Update for Inclusive Neighborhoods Housing Corporation (INHC) - included in packet.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. A link was included in the Board packet to the Upcoming Events calendar and to stories.

VIII. OTHER BUSINESS

There were no Other Business items for the month of April.

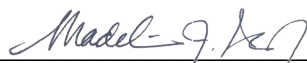
IX. VISITORS' TIME

Chris and Evelyn were in attendance but had no comments during Visitors' Time.

X. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to present to the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Time: 7:51 p.m.



Board Officer

May 17, 2022

Date

**The next meeting of the Montgomery County Board of DDS
will be held on TUESDAY, May 17 at 7:00 P.M.
VIA REMOTE TECHNOLOGY**

Board Secretary/jn
Reviewed and approved by Superintendent
Date approved by Board Secretary: May 2, 2022