

**Peoria County Board for the Care and Treatment  
of Persons with a Developmental Disability  
Minutes of  
February 6, 2015**

**Members Present:** Gary Stella  
Nora Sullivan  
Joyce Harant  
Laura Sniff  
Bob Baietto, County Board Liaison

**Others Present:** Greg Chance, Peoria City/County Health Department  
Kristin Grubb, Peoria City/County Health Department  
Steve Giebelhausen, State's Attorney's Office  
Brad Guidi, Camp Big Sky  
Jim Runyon, Easter Seals  
Patti Gratton, Community Workshop & Training Center  
Doris Hayes, EP!C

Meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm by Mr. Stella.

**Public Comments**

Mr. Runyon stated that the new Child and Family Connections brochure he distributed also includes Local Interagency Council information.

A motion was made by Ms. Harant to approve the meeting minutes of January 16, 2015; December 5, 2014; and November 21, 2014. Motion was seconded by Ms. Sullivan. Motion carried (4, 0).

A motion was made by Ms. Harant to approve the Administrative Support Service Change for the Care & Treatment Board to the Peoria City/County Health Department. Motion was seconded by Ms. Sullivan. Motion carried (4, 0).

A motion was made by Ms. Sullivan to approve the FY14 budget appropriation amendment in the amount of \$47,015.00. Motion was seconded by Ms. Sniff. There was discussion regarding clarification of for what the additional budget appropriation was needed. The lease agreement has been amended and there is also a fee for common area maintenance for the building. Mr. Chance stated that the Health Department's Director of Finance will be brought in to assist with financial issues related to the Care & Treatment Board. Motion carried (4, 0).

Mr. Chance stated that, as part of the Open Meetings Act, the Board's agendas and minutes need to be posted on the County's website. He and Ms. Grubb were not able to find where this has been occurring. Ms. Grubb will work with County IT to set up a webpage for the Care & Treatment Board. It was requested that historical information regarding the Autism Trust Fund be included. Screenshots will be provided to the Board at its next meeting.

Mr. Chance stated that no action will be taken regarding disbursement of the Autism Trust Fund until the 501(c)3 status issue is resolved.

The Board then reviewed member's suggested grant award amounts for the 2015 applicants. A motion was made by Ms. Sullivan to allocate the following amounts to the applicants:

<u>Grant Recipient</u>	<u>Grant Amount</u>
Easter Seals-Early Intervention	\$ 15,301.25
Easter Seals-Therapeutic Fitness Center	\$ 4,720.00
Camp Big Sky	\$ 18,341.25
EP!C-HUB	\$ 85,137.50
EP!C-Educational Services	\$ 198,150.00
CWTC-Community Employment Services	\$ 198,611.25
CWTC-Adult Day Development Training Program	\$ 29,613.25

Motion was seconded by Ms. Sniff. Motion carried (4, 0). Mr. Chance stated that the grant agreement will be completed to reflect the above amounts then sent to the grantees for signature. At that time an invoice will be requested from the grantees. The Board will disburse the grants in one payment to the recipients.

Mr. Guidi stated that the Abel Act was passed at the federal level. This allows for savings accounts for kids with disabilities to reach a certain amount without penalty. The law does have to be adopted by each state as well.

Mr. Stella stated that the transition to the Health Department providing administrative support has been seamless.

Ms. Sniff stated that the ninth annual Special Needs Information Fair will be held on March 17th at the Civic Center from 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm with over 90 organizations attending.

Ms. Sniff announced that she will not ask for reappointment to the Board when her term expires in June. She discussed the working farm that she and her family have for adults with disabilities-Blue Ridge Farm in Chillicothe.

At 3:03 pm, a motion was made by Ms. Sullivan to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Ms. Harant. Motion carried (4, 0).