

**Peoria County Board for the Care & Treatment  
of Persons with a Developmental Disability  
Minutes of  
July 15, 2020**

**Members Present:** Alyssa Herman  
Greg Chance  
Joyce Harant  
Todd Baker  
Andrew Edwards  
Andrew Rand (County Board Liaison)

**Members Absent:**

**Others Present:** Amy Roberts, Peoria City/County Health Department  
Brian Gulley, Peoria City/County Health Department  
Ryan LaCosse, Best Buddies  
Amanda Atchley, Camp Big Sky  
Patti Gratton, CWTC  
Julie Schiefeling, Easter Seals

**Call to Order**

Meeting was called to order at 11:02 am by Ms. Herman.

**Suspension of Bylaws to Conduct Care and Treatment Board Meeting Virtually**

A motion to suspend the bylaws to conduct the Care and Treatment Board meeting virtually was made by Ms. Harant. Motion was seconded by Mr. Chance. Motion carried (5,0).

**Mr. Baker exited the meeting at 11:03 am.**

**Approval of Minutes from June 3, 2020.**

A motion was made by Mr. Chance to approve the minutes of the June 3, 2020 meeting. Motion was seconded by Ms. Harant. Motion carried (4,0).

**Mr. Baker re-entered the meeting at 11:04 am.**

**Fiscal Reports**

Mr. Chance made a motion to move into the Fiscal Report. Motion was seconded by Mr. Baker. Mr. Gulley stated revenues are at \$126,748 for June. There was a property tax that didn't make it onto this report. This disbursement was \$294,458 and once this posts to June, it will bring the revenues up to about \$421,206. For expenses, \$233,071 which are the January through March payouts for the agencies. If the property tax is factored in, it leaves the surplus at \$188,000 and the fund balance at \$481,000. The

payout for April through June would be \$90,000. The projected budget surplus is \$125,852 and property taxes went down about 2%, CPPRT is about \$10,500, and the interest was down. The reduction in the awards is reflected in the expenses. Originally, there was a budgeted surplus of \$72,306, now the budgeted surplus of \$25,852. Motion carried (5,0)

**Mr. Rand entered the meeting at 11:10 am.**

### **Next FY Budget**

Ms. Harant made a motion to discuss the next Fiscal Year budget. Motion was seconded by Mr. Baker. For the proposed budget, the projected revenues are \$880,145. Property tax comes down 1.5%, CPPRT is budgeted at \$200,000 which is down about 15%. The interest was not figured in there, so Mr. Gulley stated he kept it the same at \$2,250. For expenses, \$869,020 is based on the recently awarded dollar amounts to the agencies, assuming they are kept flat for the second half of 2021. This leaves a budgeted surplus of \$11,125. This budget would start January 1, 2021. Motion carried (6,0) to approve the FY21 budget as presented.

### **Election of Officers**

Ms. Herman stated that her term as President has come to an end after serving two full terms and the same with Ms. Harant as Secretary. Mr. Chance made a motion to nominate Mr. Baker as President/Chairperson for the Care and Treatment Board for the next year. Motion was seconded by Mr. Rand. Motion carried (6,0). Mr. Rand nominated Mr. Chance for Secretary. Motion was seconded by Ms. Herman. Motion carried (6,0).

### **Conflict of Interest Form**

Ms. Herman stated that the Board needs to complete their Conflict of Interest form every year around this time to be turned in to Ms. Roberts.

### **Agency Visit Reports**

Ms. Herman has not sent out a new schedule for the agency visits and no visits have been completed because of COVID. Mr. Baker will complete a new schedule after receiving feedback from the agencies on what kind of visits are allowed.

### **Public Comments**

#### **Easter Seals**

Ms. Schifeling stated that they are requiring masks and social distancing but do have a couple of rooms to accommodate both of those, however, there would not be any tours. Telehealth “home visits” could be a possibility. Ms. Schifeling also thanked the Board for their continued support as she missed the last meeting. They just completed their Hero Walk, family weekend retreats are fully booked and there is a waiting list. Day camps are scheduled and booked at

about 63% capacity. They've received a few different grants, and there are tentative class schedules.

### CWTC

Ms. Gratton stated they are waiting on direction from the state of Illinois for visitors. They have some funded consumers coming back to work in August and are only allowed to have 25 individuals in the building at a time. For visitors, a virtual visit would be a possibility, but nothing in person as there are not a lot of consumers in the building at the time.

### Camp Big Sky

Ms. Atchley stated they welcome anyone to come out to visit, as they are outside and can socially distance or wear masks when social distancing is not possible. Some of the group homes have been able to come out. They have had 80 visitors so far this season, with 56 campers with disabilities. The fishing competition is under way. There will be two event days in June with topics on mammals you find at camp and bird watching. They have seen 925 cancellations during the 2020 season. They will construct a pavilion this fall with help from a school or volunteers. The 17<sup>th</sup> annual Golf Scramble will be coming up in September.

### Best Buddies

Mr. LaCrosse thanked the Board for allowing him to be a part of the meeting. He stated he is interested in how this programming will help children during this time. There have been over 400 engagements for one to one connections. There is a Program Manager position for Community Engagement open in central Illinois. That person will be helping to start chapters here in Peoria and grow communities. The Champion of the Year Gala will be in October and will be celebrating their first job placement with State Farm.

### **Adjournment**

Being no further business, Mr. Baker made the motion to adjourn. Mr. Chance seconded. Motion carried (6,0). The meeting adjourned at 11:44 am.