

MOUNT ROGERS COMMUNITY SERVICES

August 22, 2022

Minutes

The Mount Rogers Community Services Board of Directors met in-person on Monday, August 22, 2022, at 1:00 p.m. at the E. W. Cline, Jr., Building in Wytheville, Virginia, including attendance via Zoom meeting, a teleconferencing program.

PRESENT:

Ms. Barbara Bartnik  
Ms. Teena Bishop  
Ms. Kathy Cole  
Ms. Mary Coulson  
Ms. Susie Dixon Garner  
Mr. Gerald Goad – Zoom  
Ms. Joanne Groseclose  
Ms. Susie Jennings  
Ms. Angeline Lloyd  
Ms. Susan Sneed  
Ms. Sandy Worrell

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Ms. Kathy Havens  
Mr. Kris Ratliff  
Mr. Jamie Smith

STAFF PRESENT:

Ms. Patty Belcher  
Ms. Sandy Bryant  
Ms. Kathy Cressel  
Ms. Samantha Crockett - Zoom  
Ms. Carolyn Dankowski - Zoom  
Ms. Kala Fisher  
Ms. Franki Fuller  
Mr. Bob Gordon - Zoom  
Ms. KJ Holbrook - Zoom  
Ms. Lakesha Mayes - Zoom  
Mr. Bobby Miglani - Zoom  
Mr. Logan Nester - Zoom  
Ms. Rita Viars

OTHERS:

I. CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Mary Coulson, Chairperson, called the meeting to order.

II. MOMENT OF SILENCE

Ms. Coulson offered a moment of silence for the reflection of thoughts for others.

III. APPROVAL OF July 25, 2022 MINUTES

The July 25, 2022, minutes were approved as presented on the motion of Ms. Susie Jennings and seconded by Ms. Barbara Bartnik. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS

Ms. Kathy Cressel, Director of Operations, announced that the Board received several donations; one from Diane Fox for hygiene products (dishwashing liquid, laundry detergent & toilet paper) in the amount of \$37.50 and two donations from the Grayson Free Market for a vacuum valued at \$300 and a TV valued at \$200 making a total of \$537.50 in donations.

MOTION: Ms. Joanne Groseclose moved that the Board accept the donations as presented.

The motion, second by Ms. Kathy Cole, passed unanimously.

V. OLD BUSINESS

Ms. Kathy Cressel noted that due to the COVID Pandemic, the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) relaxed requirements allowing Board Members to attend Board meetings electronically via Zoom, a teleconferencing program. Based on a recently attended FOIA meeting hosted by the Virginia Association of Community Service Boards, electronic attendance is limited to two times per year unless there is an approved medical exemption or for the care of a family member. Final FOIA regulations will be posted in September. In keeping with the FOIA requirements, effective September 1, 2022, the monthly Board meetings will resume with in-person attendance for Board members. Agency staff will continue to participate in Board meetings electronically via Zoom.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Budget and Finance Committee Report

1. Ms. Patty Belcher presented the July 31, 2022, financial statement for Board review.

MOTION: On behalf of the Budget and Finance Committee, Ms. Susan Sneed, Chairperson, moved that the Board accept the financial statement for July 31, 2022, as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

2. Ms. Belcher presented a funding notification from the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services State Opioid Response Team in the amount of \$750,000. Of the total award, \$400,000 will be used for treatment services and \$350,000 for recovery services.
3. Ms. Belcher announced the Agency has been awarded one-time Mental Health Block Grant funding in the amount of \$15,000 for the Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) program.

B. Chief Executive Officer's Report

1. Ms. Sandy Bryant announced that Mr. Nelson Smith, Commissioner of the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services, plans to visit the Agency on August 23, 2022, including on-site program facility visits.
2. Ms. Bryant extended an invitation to the Board Members to attend the new Geriatric Transitions Center Open House on August 31, 2022, beginning with a ribbon cutting at 10:00 a.m. and concluding at 12:00 p.m.
3. Ms. Bryant presented an overview of the strategic plans to improve staff satisfaction and motivation. The Agency has implemented a new recruiting strategy called "Employee Spotlight." The spotlight gives an opportunity for an employee to express why they love to work for the Agency.
4. Ms. Bryant introduced Ms. Franki Fuller, Regional Project Manager, selected as the "Employee Spotlight" for September, who shared highlights of her position, tenure, enjoyment, and rewards in being an employee of the Agency.
5. The Agency has scheduled two Board Receptions for staff to meet with the Board of Directors and share concerns of interest. The first Board Reception has been scheduled for September 26, 2022, for the staff from Bland, Smyth, and Wythe Counties. Secondly, October 24, 2022, has been scheduled for the staff from Carroll, Grayson, and Galax localities. The receptions will be held following the Board meetings, from 3:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m.

VII. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- Program and Administrative Monthly Reports

None

- Presentation – Long Range Facility Planning – Kathy Cressel

Ms. Kathy Cressel, Director of Operations, presented an overview of the Long-Range Facility Planning.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned on the motion of Ms. Susie Jennings, and seconded by Ms. Angeline Lloyd. The motion passed unanimously.

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*Kathy Havens*

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Ms. Kathy Havens, Secretary