

Governing Board Meeting Minutes

May 15, 2024

Attendees:

Bishop, Mandy	Southeastern Ohio Counseling Center
Bohlen, Amanda	Ohio State University Extension
Bradley, Barb	Marietta/Belpre Health Department
Farnsworth, Jennifer	Parent Representative
Fordham, Denyse	Parent Representative
Garrett, Adryanne	Hopewell Health Centers
Goddard, George	Washington County Behavioral Health Board
Lane, Josh	Washington County Health Department
Rauch, Dawn	Community Action Program of Wash./Morg. Co.'s
Riffe, Brenda	Washington County Board of Developmental Disabilities
Schenkel, Geoff	City of Marietta
Shipley, Rachel	Project Head Start
Silvus, Brad	Marietta City Schools
Stewart, Alice	Washington County PCSA
VanCleave, David	Ohio Department of Youth Services
Warner, Heather	GoPacks
Werry, Tasha	Building Bridges to Careers
Davis, Cindy	FCF Council Director / HMG Contract Manager
Higgins, Jon	FCF Financial Officer / Office Manager

Absent:

Brown, Beth	Frontier Local Schools
Freimann, Flite	Washington County Dept. of Job & Family Services
Hellinger, Craig	Parent Representative
Ritter, Kevin	Washington County Commissioner

Guests:

Tiffany Neill-WCBDD
Jessica Smith – OhioRISE
Janna Williams – Noble County / Help Me Grow

INTRODUCTIONS

PRESENTATION

Robin Bozian from the Homeless Project presented to Council on the Drop-In Shelter located on Front Street in Marietta. They operate Monday thru Friday from 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM. They help individuals with a hot meal, clothing, shower, laundry and referral services. The Project is currently working on a new overnight emergency shelter. They are in the process of buying a home that is located on 3rd Street in Marietta and still working on the details on how it will operate.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

April 17, 2024 Governing Board Meeting Minutes were included in the emailing.

Barb Bradley made the motion to approve the April 17, 2024 minutes as emailed.

Amanda Bohlen seconded the motion.

Motion Carried

FINANCIAL REPORTS

April Financial Reports were included in the emailing. Jon Higgins passed around the Fiscal Paperwork binder for Council viewing. These reports were included in emailing.

Financial Reports include a Financial Report Summary for All Accounts, Financial Officer Summary and Reports for each account.

The Financial Officer Summary Report is a summary of items that stand out for the month with an explanation and include a summary of any Appropriations and Amended Certificates for the month.

Each report for expenditures includes the budget beginning balance; any changes in that account that would reflect with the resolutions; monthly expenses; year to date expenses; outstanding encumbrances and finally the ending available balance.

Each report for revenue includes beginning balance, any changes in that account that would reflect with amended certificates; monthly revenue; year to date revenue; and anticipated revenue to be received.

Other Fiscal Reports includes a detailed report of all expenses and revenue; copies of amended certificates and resolutions for that month.

Brad Silvus made the motion to approve the April financial reports as emailed.

David VanCleave seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Director's report was included in the emailing. Cindy reviewed points from the Director's report and the following handouts were included in the emailing: June 6th Lunch & Learn Series Flyer, HMG Community Baby Bash Flyer.

COMMITTEE / WORKGROUP REPORTS

1. **Finance Committee**- The committee met today May 15th. They reviewed and approved the 2025 Tax Budget.
2. **Nominating Committee** – The nominating committee nominated George Goddard as the Council Treasurer to replace Brenda Riffe who is retiring.

Alice Stewart made the motion to approve George Goddard as the Council Treasurer.

*Tasha Terry seconded the motion.
Motion Carried.*

3. **No other Committees wished to report.**

OLD BUSINESS

1. **Social Service Training Review** – The Social Service Training was held March 14th from 1-4 at Washington State College of Ohio. This training was on Mental Health and Addiction, with a panel of 10 providers. One provider had to cancel at the last minute. There were 65 people attending the event. Cindy passed out a handout on entities represented at the training and survey results.
2. **No other Old Business was discussed.**

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Tax Budget** – The Finance Committee met and approved the 2025 Tax Budget. A copy of the Tax Budget was handed out to Council. Jon Higgins reviewed each fund.

Finance Committee made the recommendation to approve the 2025 Tax Budget.

Motion Carried.

2. **DODD/ODCY Early Intervention Service Coordination Grant** – Approval is needed for the submission of the SFY25 Early Intervention Service Coordination grant. This is the grant submitted annually for Early Intervention Service Coordination (Help Me Grow). Funding was increased by \$1,530 from SFY24 allocation.

***Brad Silvus made the motion to approve submission of the FY25 Early Intervention Service Coordination Grant.
Mandy Bishop seconded the motion.
Motion Carried.***

3. Other new business.

OhioRISE Support Letter – Ohio Family and Children First Coordinators Association composed a letter to send to the Governor and other entities around OhioRISE. The letter shared their concerns with OhioRISE implementation and how it is affecting families in our communities. The Association is now asking for local Councils to support the letter or submit their own letter. Cindy passed out a copy of the letter the association submitted. Council read the letter and recommended using this letter but adding specific points that is related to just Washington County. Cindy will compose the letter and add the local points.

***Tasha Werry made the motion to approve the letter of concern with OhioRISE association letter with additional local points to be submitted to the Governor.
Alice Stewart seconded the motion.
Motion Carried.***

Lack of Activities or Youth – There were conversations/networking at the Social Services Training for the lack of activities/places for the older kids age group. A conversation was had with Council to give their thoughts on lack of activities for that 13 to 17 years' age group.

SHARED PLAN REPORTING BY MEMBERS

No Shared Plan reporting by members.

INFORMATION SHARING / PUBLIC COMMENT

Adryanne Garrett – Hopewell Health is wrapping up school based services and MRSS is going well.

Alice Stewart – Party in the Park was very successful. Prevention Program is going well.

Tasha Werry – BB2C Community & Business Advisory Council Meeting will be June 13th from 3:00 PM – 4:30 PM. They will be having a one-day event called Influence Her for girls ages 10-12, more information and registration will be coming soon.

Mandy Bishop – Mandy shared what other communities do for families with children. Southeastern Ohio Counseling Center will be moving to 201 S. 8th Street and will open there starting May 28th. Smoking Sensation Group will be starting May 22nd.

Jennifer Farnsworth – The Food pantry has been working with community partners and people in their local community to build a relationship for services. They are now a NARCAN distribution station.

Barb Bradley – The Marietta/Belpre Health Department has purchased a new instrument where they can do point of care for STD and STI's. They can test and treat most of them the same day.

Josh Lane – Community Health Assessment data has been compiled and there will be public comment and should be finalized in July. Jane Young has returned back to the Health Department as CMH nurse.

Jessica Smith – With OhioRISE staff changes, they now have a supervisor who lives in Washington County. Her name is Brandy Douglas and she may be coming to meetings in the future.

Dawn Rauch – They received ODOT approval to remove fix route service which will be phased out in the next few months. This will be replaced with Direct-Demand Services.

Tiffany Neil – The Board of Developmental Disabilities will be hosting a camp in June at Ewing School for the 5-13 age group. They are also partnering with Warren Local to host a camp for ages 15-22 at Marietta College in June, July, and August. They are working on a grant for Adult Changing Tables in locations in the community. They have received funding to purchase playground equipment and would like to place the equipment in the Belpre Civitan Park and the park in New Matamoras.

Denyse Fordham – Will be moving away and this is her last meeting. *Many thanks to Denyse for her many years of service on the FCF Council! She will be missed!*

George Goddard – The Behavioral Health Board has submitted an application/budget for funding recovery supports and transportation needs funding from the state. They are hoping to hear back soon if they will receive this funding.

Jon Higgins – The 2022 – 2023 Financial Audit has started for Washington County Family and Children First. Council will begin to received correspondences from the Auditor of State.

Cindy Davis – Reminder June Council Meeting is June 26th, due to the holiday on June 19th. This is the 4th Wednesday of the month.

Rachel Shipley – Head Start will be having an Open House on July 9th at the Jane Edwards Center.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Next meeting: June 26, 2024 @ 1:30 pm, 204 Davis Ave., EOC

Prepared by:
Jon Higgins

Council Chair
Rachel Shipley