Lawrence County Developmental Disabilities Board Meeting Minutes

January 9, 2025 (Immediately Following Organizational Meeting at 6 PM) Open Door School Cafeteria, 606 Carlton Davidson Lane, Coal Grove, OH 45638

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by Michael Gore, President at 6:17 p.m.

Roll Call

Corey Black

Present

Mandy Carte

Present

Michael Gore

Present

Tanner Huff

Absent with prior notice

Sara Marks

Absent with prior notice

Brandan Smith

Present

Steve Thompson

Present

Others Present

Julie Monroe, Superintendent

Amy Brand, Business Manager

Shannon Allen, Executive Assistant

Larry Whaley, IT/Finance Assistant

Jamie Garnes, SSA Director

Shelley Clifford, EI Director

Christi Kerns, OD Principal

Jeff Townsend, Facilities Operator

2. Adoption of Agenda

Motion was made by Ms. Carte to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Mr. Gore. Roll call.

Mr. Black Yes

Mr. Smith Yes

Ms. Carte Yes

Mr. Thompson Yes

Mr. Gore Yes

3. Public Comments

There were no public comments

4. Karen Reed, Executive Director of AFCFC (Appalachian Family and Children First Council) was introduced to the Board and gave an overview of AFCFC and her background in family advocacy.

5. Approval of Minutes

Motion was made by Ms. Carte to approve the December 12, 2024 Board Meeting, Ethics Council and Nominating Committee meeting minutes. Seconded by Mr. Smith. Roll Call.

Mr. Black Yes

Mr. Smith Yes

Ms. Carte Yes

Mr. Thompson Yes

Mr. Gore Yes

6. Committee Reports

There were no Committee meetings

7. Mrs. Brand submitted a report prior to the meeting and gave an overview of her report.

Motion was made by Mr. Thompson to approve the December 2024 Finance reports. Seconded by Ms. Carte.

Roll Call.

Mr. Black Yes

Mr. Smith Yes

Ms. Carte Yes

Mr. Thompson Yes

Mr. Gore Yes

8. Superintendent Report – Julie Monroe

Ms. Monroe submitted a written report for the month of January, 2025 prior to the Board meeting.

- 9. Program Reports Written reports submitted prior to meeting
- 10. Old Business

Capital Improvement Updates – Jeff Townsend

Mr. Townsend gave updates on the roof project. Mr. Townsend also gave an update on the security door that will be installed at the Board office.

11. New Business

A. SOCOG Contract – Everything will remain the same as last year with the addition of the Family Advocate services for 10 hours a week. Ms. Monroe is currently reviewing the Board policy manual and will have policies for cleanup in February.

Motion was made by Mr. Gore to approve the SOCOG Contract. Seconded by Mr. Smith. Roll call.

Mr. Black Yes

Mr. Smith Yes

Ms. Carte Yes

Mr. Thompson Yes

Mr. Gore Yes

12. Announcement

There were no announcements

- 13. Next Board Meeting February 13, 2025 at 6 PM
- 14. Adjournment

Motion was made by Mr. Thompson to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Ms. Carte. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

Meeting minutes prepared by: Shannon Allen, Executive Assistant

Michael Gore, President

Date

2-13-2025

Mandy Carte, Recording Secretary

Date