

PRODUCTIVE LIVING BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

St. Louis County Library Headquarters
Auditorium
1640 South Lindbergh Blvd.
St. Louis, MO 63131

Monday, January 8, 2007

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Timothy R. Barrett, Chairman
Dennis J. Buhr, Vice Chairman
Eugene H. Fahrenkrog, Immediate Past Chairman
David L. Ruecker, Secretary
Marsha J. Bonds, Treasurer
Sarijane M. Freiman

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Ralph Berberian
Cary W. Hammond

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Joyce Prage, Executive Director
Jeffrey Bassin
Brian Bond
Glen Goldstein
Marilyn Nenninger

GUESTS PRESENT: (See attached)

A quorum was present and due notice had been published. Mr. Barrett called the meeting to order at approximately 4:00 p.m.

Executive Director's Report

Ms. Prage updated the Board on the following activities:

2007 Legislative Session

Members of the PLB received a list of bills that have been introduced that relate to individuals with developmental disabilities. Monthly updates will be provided throughout the legislative session.

Missouri Mental Health Task Force

The Lieutenant Governor's Missouri Mental Health Task Force's Findings and Recommendations are available on the Missouri Department of Mental Health's website at www.dmh.mo.gov. The Department of Mental Health has begun implementing the recommendations and a proposed stakeholder group will meet beginning in January 2007 to develop further recommendations for the Mental Health Commission and the Lieutenant Governor by May 1, 2007.

Open Forum for Comments from the Public

No comments received.

Secretary's Report

Mr. Ruecker moved that the Board approve the November 13, 2006 Productive Living Board Meeting Minutes.

Ms. Freiman seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Ms. Bonds moved that the Board approve the Treasurer's Report as presented.

Mr. Fahrenkrog seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Chairman's Report

Mr. Barrett stated that two recipients of the PLB Recognition Award, Mark Sales and Scott Moselein, managers at Value City stores located at 8800 Watson Road and 2511 Lemay Ferry Road, were unable to receive their awards in person at this meeting, and at the previous meeting on November 13, 2006, due to work commitments. They are being recognized for their exceptional support of individuals with developmental disabilities. They have assured that employees at both stores have extended supports and acceptance in the workplace for the employees hired through the JESS Summer Work Experience Program (SWEP). The PLB will arrange to have their awards delivered to them, along with a personal thank-you from Mr. Barrett.

Standing Committee Reports

Administration Committee – *Dennis J. Buhr, Chairman*

Board Action Item:

Amendments and Revisions to PLB Bylaws

Mr. Buhr moved that the Board approve the amendments and revisions to the PLB Bylaws and Policies as presented at the November 13, 2006 meeting.

Mr. Ruecker seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Vocational Services Committee - Sarijane Freiman

Board Action Items:

1. Special School District Post-Graduation Employment Survey – Recommendation of Vendor

Ms. Freiman moved that the Board approve a contract with Behavioral Health Concepts, Inc. (BHC) for an amount not to exceed \$19,482 from the Discretionary Fund, for the development of a survey to determine the anticipated needs of Special School District students ages 16-21 for employment after graduation.

Mr. Ruecker seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

2. Special School District Post-Graduation Employment Survey – Production and Distribution Costs

Ms. Freiman moved that the Board approve an amount not to exceed \$5,000 from the Discretionary Fund for production and distribution costs of the survey of Future Employment Needs of Special School District students and any follow-up communications.

Mr. Ruecker seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business to discuss.

New Business

There was no new business to report.

Closed Session per 610.021(1) RSMo. – Legal Action

Mr. Ruecker moved, and Mr. Buhr seconded, that the Board of Directors reconvene in closed session per 610.021(1) RSMo. – Legal Action.

A roll call vote was taken, with the following members voting aye: Mr. Barrett, Mr. Buhr, Ms. Bonds, Mr. Fahrenkrog, Ms. Freiman and Mr. Ruecker.

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at approximately 4:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David L. Ruecker, Secretary

As recorded by Marilyn Nenninger, Executive Administrative Assistant

Guests Present

Laura Perkins
Sue Michel
Robert Libera
Fred Wark
Steve Frank
Charles Fischer
Barb Crites
Kathy Farache

Debbie Gillespie
Renee Bowens
Lydia Rasis
Janet Wright
Sue Fleming
Joy Steele
Kristin Bulin

Judevine Center for Autism
Council for Extended Care
Lafayette Industries
Lafayette Industries
Valley Industries
Canterbury Enterprises
St. Louis Society
Association on Aging with Developmental
Disabilities
Adapt-Ability
Life Skills
Rainbow Village
Rainbow Village
Recreation Council
Willows Way
Provident Inc.