

PRODUCTIVE LIVING BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

Monday, May 11, 2009

St. Louis County Library Headquarters
1640 South Lindbergh Boulevard
Auditorium
St. Louis, Missouri 63131

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Marsha J. Bonds, Board Chairperson
Dennis J. Buhr, Immediate Past Chairman
David L. Ruecker, Vice Chairman
Darlene Sredl, Secretary
Sarijane M. Freiman, Treasurer

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Eugene H. Fahrenkrog
Cary Hammond

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Joyce Prage, CPA, Executive Director
Brian Bond
Glen Goldstein
Kim Kopff
Kathy Williams

GUESTS PRESENT: (See attached)

A quorum was present and due notice had been mailed and published. Ms. Bonds called the meeting to order at approximately 4:10 p.m.

Executive Director's Report:

Ms. Prage updated the Board on the following activities:

2009 Legislative Session

Highlights of bills that are still active include:

HB 525 – Grisamore

Requires the Division of Developmental Disabilities to establish programs and services for individuals diagnosed with autism.

4/15/09 Reported Do Pass. Placed on Third Read Consent Calendar

SB 460 – Nodler

Allows the Division of Developmental Disabilities to contract directly with providers of targeted case management services.

3/23/09 Voted Do Pass

SB 157-Schimitt

Codifies into law the five regional autism projects currently serving persons with autism.

5/5/09 Truly Agreed to and Finally Passed

HCS #2 HB 357& 298 – Scharnhorst

Requires health insurance coverage of individuals younger than 21 years with autism spectrum disorders.

4/9/09 Rules – Reported Do Pass

SB 18-Bray

Establishes the MO Universal Health Assurance Program

5/11/2009 - S Informal Calendar S Bills for Perfection--SB 18-Bray, et al, with SCS & SS for SCS (pending)

SB 167–Rupp

Health insurance coverage for the diagnosis and treatment of autism spectrum disorders.

5/4/2009 - Referred to Rules Committee pursuant to Rule 25(32)(f)

DMH 2010 Budget

The Conference Committee Decisions on the DMH FY 2010 Budget for the Division of Developmental Disabilities includes:

Transition of Young Adults from School and Early Intervention Services for Children with Autism	\$2.2M GR <u>\$3.9M</u> FED \$6.1M
Hab Center Staffing Pool (one-time)	\$2 M FED
Cost to continue FY 2009 Caseload Growth	\$5.7M GR <u>\$10.3M</u> FED \$16 M
Caseload Growth FY 2010	\$7 M GR <u>\$19 M</u> FED \$26 M

Hearing on Sheltered Workshop Lawsuit

The Cole County Circuit Court ruled April 8 that the workshops were correct in requesting that statutory procedures be followed in funding from DESE. "We understand that appropriations are the responsibility of the Legislature, but we felt that because of the statutes it should be paid in the manner outlined by the law." As a result, payments will be made at the higher daily rate of \$19 per day even though the Legislature did not approve an increase in the amount of funds available.

Open Forum for Comments from the Public:

Barbara Owens, a parent of an employee of Lafayette Industries expressed concern over Regional Office's transportation policies.

Darla Templeton, Executive Director of the Epilepsy Foundation, commented on the Board's funding decisions regarding the Epilepsy Foundation.

Secretary's Report:

Ms. Sredl moved that the Board approve the Monday, April 13, 2009 Productive Living Board Meeting Minutes.

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

Treasurer's Report:

Ms. Freiman provided the Treasurer's Report for the month of April 2009

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

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

Chairperson's Report:

No Report.

Standing Committee Reports:

Nominating Committee:

Board Action Item:

Nomination of Officers For FY'10

Mr. Buhr moved that the Board approve the following slate of officers for fiscal year 2010:

<u>Chairman</u>	<u>David L. Ruecker</u>
<u>Vice- Chairman</u>	<u>Dennis J. Buhr</u>
<u>Secretary</u>	<u>Darlene Sredl</u>
<u>Treasurer</u>	<u>Sarijane M. Freiman</u>

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

Residential Services Committee:

Board Action Items:

Base Level of Access - FY'10 Residential Services Projects

Recommendations include the PLB approved Cost of Living Adjustment of up to 5.4% for FY'10.

Independent Supported Living Assistance

Mr. Ruecker moved that the Board approve the appropriations and associated contingencies for the projects listed on the FY'10 Independent Supported Living Assistance Funding Cycle Report, for a total amount not to exceed \$3,776,200.

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

Residential Supports

Mr. Ruecker moved that the Board approve the appropriations and associated contingencies for the projects listed on the FY'10 Residential Supports Funding Cycle Report, for a total amount not to exceed \$4,798,913.

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

Residential Transportation

Mr. Ruecker moved that the Board approve the appropriations and associated contingencies for the projects listed on the FY'10 Residential Transportation Funding Cycle Report, for a total amount not to exceed \$17,208.

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

ISLA Start-up Set-Aside for FY'10

Mr. Ruecker moved that the Board approve a set-aside from the Discretionary Fund for ISLA start-up for FY'10 in the amount of \$10,000.

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

Housing Development Set-Aside for FY'10

Mr. Ruecker moved that the Board approve a set-aside for FY'10 Housing Development from the Discretionary Fund in the amount of \$300,000.

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

UCP Easter Seals – Request to transfer funds (From PLB Project #2010/10 to PLB Project #6064/10)

Mr. Ruecker moved that the Board approve the cancellation of \$13,567 (1,350 units at \$10.05) from In-Facility Day, Project #2010/10, and an additional appropriation for Other Residential Support Services, Project #6064/10, for a total of \$13,566 (1,240 units at \$10.94) to provide services for the period of July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010, bringing the total FY'10 appropriation for this project to \$55,576.

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

UCP Easter Seals - Request to transfer units for FY'09 (From PLB Project #2010/10 to Project #2011/10)

Mr. Ruecker moved that the Board approve the cancellation of \$9,598 (1,006 units at \$9.54) from In-Facility Day, Project #2010/10, and an additional appropriation for Residential Support Services, Project #2011/10, for a total of \$9,597 (1,176 units at \$8.16) to provide services for the period of May 1, 2009 through June 30, 2009, bringing the total FY'09 appropriation for this project to \$119,173.

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

Vocational Services Committee:

Board Action Items:

Base Level of Access - FY'10 Vocational Services Projects

Recommendations include the PLB approved Cost of Living Adjustment of up to 5.4% for FY'10.

Employment

Ms. Freiman moved that the Board approve the appropriations and associated contingencies for the projects listed on the FY'10 Employment Funding Cycle Report, for a total amount not to exceed \$4,113,842.

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

Pre and Post-Employment

Paraquad, Inc. (PLB Projects #4003/10, 4004/10, 7012/10, 7017/10) funding applications for FY'10 have been deferred pending receipt of additional information.

St. Louis Society (PLB Projects #7020/10/11, 4039/10) funding applications for FY'10 have been deferred pending receipt of additional information.

Ms. Freiman moved that the Board approve the appropriations and associated contingencies for the projects listed on the FY'10 Pre and Post-Employment Funding Cycle Report, for a total amount not to exceed \$1,295,423.

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

Vocational Transportation

Paraquad, Inc. (PLB Project #5062/50/51) funding application for FY'10 has been deferred pending receipt of additional information.

St. Louis Society (PLB Project #5038/58) funding application for FY'10 has been deferred pending receipt of additional information.

Ms. Freiman moved that the Board approve the appropriations and associated contingencies for the projects listed on the FY'10 Vocational Transportation Funding Cycle Report, for a total amount not to exceed \$1,728,665.

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

Sheltered Workshop Building and Equipment Funds Transfer Requests

Ms. Freiman moved that the Board approve the request from Valley Industries, Inc. to transfer 25% of their FY'10 Building and Equipment Fund, from PLB Project #3102/10, to their FY'10 Operations Fund, PLB Project #3054/12, in the amount of \$53,758.

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

Ms. Freiman moved that, per the Board's May 14, 2007 and May 12, 2008 actions, that the Board deny the requests from Lafayette Industries North, Inc. and Lafayette Work Center, Inc. to transfer 25% of their FY'10 Building and Equipment Funds to their FY'10 Operations Funds, since the capital resources available for Lafayette Industries North, Inc. and Lafayette Work Center, Inc. are not sufficient to meet their projected capital needs.

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

Ad Hoc Committee:

Board Action Items:

Agency Audited Unit Cost Report and Instructions

Mr. Ruecker moved that the Board approve the Agency Audited Unit Cost Report and Instructions as presented.

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

PLB Service Agreement Revisions

Mr. Ruecker moved that the Board approve the revisions to the PLB Service Agreement as presented.

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

Unfinished Business:

No unfinished business was discussed.

New Business:

No new business was discussed.

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

Mr. Ruecker moved that the Meeting of the Productive Living Board adjourn and reconvene in Closed Session per Section 610.021(1) RSMo – Legal Action.

Ms. Sredl seconded the motion; a roll call vote was taken with the following members voting yea: Ms. Bonds, Mr. Buhr, Ms. Freiman, Mr. Ruecker, and Ms. Sredl.

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at approximately 4:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene Sredl, Secretary

As recorded by Kathy Williams

The above minutes were reviewed and approved by Marsha J. Bonds, Chairperson of the Productive Living Board.

Guests Present

Name and Agency/Consumer/Parent

Debbie Gillespie	Adapt-Ability
Natalie Rohlfing	Community Alternatives Missouri
Debbie Chapuis	Delta Gamma Center
Jody Budo	Edgewood Children's Center
Darla Templeton	Epilepsy Foundation
David Gitt	Epilepsy Foundation
Jared Preston	Epilepsy Foundation
Vincent J. Marino	Family Support Network
Bonnie Grueninger	Jamestown New Horizons
Laurie Tochtrop	JESS (Jobs & Employment Support
David Weiner	Jewish Community Center
Lisa Goolsby	Judevine Center for Autism
Fred Wark	Lafayette Work Center
Rob Libera	Lafayette Work Center
Judy Grainger	Life Skills
Nicole Johnson	Life Skills
Beth Brown	MERS/Missouri Goodwill Industries
Michael A. Testa	MERS/Missouri Goodwill Industries
Pam Knox	OATS, Inc.
Jennifer Samson	Office of St. Louis County Executive
Michael Maguire	Options for Justice
Craig Strohbeck	Pathways to Independence
Sue Petersen	Project, Inc.
James Moll	Provident, Inc.
Sue Fleming	Recreation Council of Greater St. Louis
Dana Nichols	St. John's Mercy Medical Center
Beth Moeller	St. Louis Arc
Georgi Ramsey	St. Louis Arc
Mark A. Keeley	St. Louis Arc
Rhonda Hembree	St. Louis Arc
Sharon Spurlock	St. Louis Arc
Sonja Preston	St. Louis Arc
Tim Bradbury	St. Louis Arc
Rebecca Patterson	St. Louis Arc
Jim Laughlin	St. Louis County
Barbara Fraser	St. Louis County Council
Laura Coatney	St. Louis Crisis Nursery
Candie Ingberg	St. Lukes Hospital
Jessica Erfling	Sunnyhill
Victoria James	Sunnyhill
Derrick Good	Sunnyhill
Karen Nolte	The Children's Home Society of Missouri
Larry Duke	The Children's Home Society of Missouri
Lynn Courier	Therapeutic Horsemanship
Kristi Gianino	UCP Easter Seals Missouri Inc.
Lynn Stonecipher	UCP Easter Seals Missouri Inc.

Samantha Hahn	UCP Easter Seals Missouri Inc.
Craig Byrd	UCP Easter Seals Missouri Inc.
Leonard Taylor	UCP Easter Seals Missouri Inc.
Jim Guyre	Valley Industries
Terry Crow	Valley Industries
Dee Froneyberger	W.A.C. Industries
Duane Mathis	Willows Way, Inc.
Joy Steele	Willows Way, Inc.
Steve Brennell	Willows Way, Inc.
Dawn Goetz	YMCA
Cynthia Whitley	YWCA
Barbara Owens	Parent of Consumer