

PRODUCTIVE LIVING BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

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

Monday, June 11, 2007

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Timothy R. Barrett, Chairman
Dennis J. Buhr, Vice Chairman
David L. Ruecker, Secretary
Marsha J. Bonds, Treasurer
Debbie Bentele
Sarijane M. Freiman

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Eugene H. Fahrenkrog, Immediate Past Chairman
Ralph Berberian
Cary Hammond

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Joyce Prage, CPA, Executive Director
Glen Goldstein
Marilyn Nenninger
Shawn Thomason
Dennis Yarbrough

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 outcome of several bills that pertain to individuals with developmental disabilities.

2007 Legislative Session

Bills passed by the state legislature during this session include the following:

SB 77 – Missouri Health Improvement Act of 2007 – Includes the Ticket to Work Health Assurance Program that provides medical coverage for individuals who are Medicaid eligible and employed.

HB 352 – Increases the per diem awarded to sheltered workshops and increases bonus points for nonprofit organizations bidding on state contracts. The per diem will increase to \$18 per day by July 1, 2010. The FY'08 per diem will increase from \$13 per day to \$15 per day.

SB 3 – Enacts provisions on mental health reform regarding findings of abuse and neglect investigations. Final reports of substantiated DMH abuse and neglect investigations will be available as public documents with restrictions on the release of identifying information about clients and staff.

HB 952 & 674 – Establishes rules for fire protection sprinkler systems in long-term care facilities and allows rules for systems in all state-owned offices and facilities.

Open Forum for Comments from the Public

No comments.

Secretary's Report

Mr. Ruecker moved that the Board approve the May 14, 2007 Productive Living Board Meeting Minutes.

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

Mr. Ruecker moved that the Board approve the May 14, 2007 Executive Session of the Productive Living Board Meeting Minutes.

Ms. Bentele 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. Ruecker seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Chairman's Report

No report.

Standing Committee Reports

Administration Committee – *Dennis J. Buhr, Chairman*

Board Action Item:

1. 2007 Tax Rates

Mr. Buhr moved that the Board approve the 2007 tax rates.

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

Residential Services Committee – *David L. Ruecker, Chairman*

Board Action Item:

1. Epilepsy Foundation – Funding Application for FY'08

Mr. Ruecker moved that the Board approve an appropriation for Epilepsy Foundation for FY'08, PLB Project #8005/10 in the amount of \$48,275 (1,250 units @ \$38.62), PLB Project #8005/11 in the amount of \$7,560 (500 units @ \$15.12), and PLB Project #8005/12 in the

amount of \$6,990 (165 units @ \$42.36) from the Discretionary Fund, for a total amount not to exceed \$62,825, with the following contingencies:

- **Agency shall fully document each consumer's eligibility, need for services, plan for supports and outcomes.**
- **Agency shall bill units only for face-to-face direct supports.**
- **Consumers shall not receive more than 12 units of individual support.**
- **Agency shall refer consumers to generic support providers when appropriate.**
- **Revisions to the on-line application shall be completed prior to June 11, 2007.**

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

Unfinished Business

None.

New Business

Mr. Buhr, PLB Chairman-Elect for FY'08, presented a plaque to Mr. Barrett, the outgoing Chairman, on behalf of the Board members in appreciation of Mr. Barrett's leadership of the Productive Living Board during the past year.

Closed Session per 610.021(1) RSMo – Legal Action and 610.021(3) RSMo – Personnel

Mr. Ruecker moved, and Ms. Freiman seconded, that the Board of Directors reconvene in closed session per 610.021(1) RSMo, Legal Action, and 610.021(3) RSMo, Personnel.

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

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at approximately 4:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David L. Ruecker, Secretary

As recorded by Marilyn Nenninger, Executive Administrative Assistant

Guests Present

Jennifer Meyer
Laura Perkins
Robert Libera
Michael A. Testa
Jennifer Samson
Cynthia Whitley
Nicole Johnson
Darla Templeton
Dee Froneyberger
Sue Fleming
Kristi Gianino
Kristin Bulin

St. Louis Arc
Judevine Center for Autism
Lafayette Industries
MERS/Missouri Goodwill
Office of St. Louis County Executive
Life Skills
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Epilepsy Foundation
W.A.C. Industries
Recreation Council
United Cerebral Palsy
Provident Inc.