

PRODUCTIVE LIVING BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

Monday, March 12, 2018

Richmond Heights Center
Argus-Banneker Room
8001 Dale Avenue
Richmond Heights, Missouri 63117

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Anne Tolan, Board Chairperson
Mary Beth Monafo, Vice Chairperson
Christine Ney, Treasurer
Tom Curran
Scott Malin
Cordell Whitlock

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

William Bolster, Secretary
Diane Buhr
Kimberly Tuttle

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Becky Herschbach, Executive Director
Jennifer Boedeker
Glen Goldstein
Lillie Gray
Debra Holland
Kim Kopff
Shannon Reinert
Kimmie Robinson
Kathy Williams
Anna Zelinske

GUESTS PRESENT: (See attached)

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

Executive Director's Report

Congratulations to FamilyForward

FamilyForward launched their Developmental Trauma Center with a celebration that included Dr. Bruce Perry, a Psychiatrist at the Child Trauma Academy. Dr. Perry created the Neurosequential Model of Therapeutics (NMT). This model recognizes that trauma at an early age results in altered brain development that requires individualized assessment and intervention. Through the Developmental Trauma Center, FamilyForward will provide trauma-informed, developmentally sensitive supports as guided by NMT.

Congratulations to Kim Kopff

Kim Kopff, Director of Program Services and Quality celebrated her 10th Anniversary with PLB. We thank Kim for her commitment to making a difference in the lives of people with developmental disabilities.

Program

The annual application process is underway. The Service Committees will receive a summary of the applications in April for discussion and recommendation to the Board for the May meeting.

Partnership for Hope

We currently have 39 people authorized in PfH. Four new people were added in March. We are capped at 40 per the Pilot project and will most likely hit that number before year end. Transportation remains the most common service.

PFH Refinancing

Fifty five individuals are now in PfH via the transportation refinancing. This is a decrease from a high of 62, caused by challenges with Medicaid spenddown.

Summer Work Experience Program (SWEP)

The deadline for SWEP applications was in February. Over 250 applications were received. The SWEP collaborating agencies (MERS, SLARC, Easter Seals, UCP, Paraquad and the Center for Head Injury Services) developed a Training Committee to redesign the Job Coach training resulting in reduced duplication of trainings, more efficient use of staff time and cost savings.

211 Partnership

The IDDHelp Call Center is on target to launch in May. We are in the process of creating the call assessments, which will guide the conversations the Community Connectors have with callers. It is important to map out the network that already exists so we don't duplicate services, but coordinate what is there so that the limited resources are used most efficiently, resulting in better outcomes for people with disabilities.

Agency Presentation

Pamela Merkle, Executive Director of the Association on Aging with Developmental Disabilities spoke about using the PLB capacity building grant for their Lifebooks project. The process consists of interviewing the individual and family members and preparing a book with the information obtained. Jerry M. spoke about his positive experience with creating his Lifebook. Tammy Stevens, Retirement Specialist at AADD shared the impact of Lifebooking on individuals' lives, including improved communication skills, stronger relationships with their families and friends and an increased sense of self-worth. The Lifebook is not only a way to capture the individual's history, but also a support tool for the future.

Open Forum for Comments from the Public

Rob Libera, Lafayette Industries thanked the Board for participating in Partnership for Hope.

Consent Agenda Items

Ms. Monafó moved that the Board approve the consent agenda items.

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

- a. Approval of the Monday, February 12, 2018 Productive Living Board Meeting Minutes.
- b. Rainbow Village Properties, Inc. – Request for Deferral of FY'18 Annual Loan Payments

<u>Loan Numbers</u>	<u>Installment Due Date</u>
PLB Loan #1342/10	March 13, 2018
PLB Loan #1299/10	March 30, 2018

Treasurer's Report:

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

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

Standing Committee Reports

Administration Committee

Board Information Item:

Communications Strategy

Glen Goldstein updated the Board on the Communications Strategy. A final document will be presented to the Board for acceptance at the April Board meeting.

Employment Services Committee

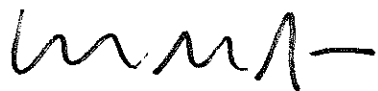
Mr. Malin reported that agency representatives updated the Committee on the current status of three pre-employment projects, as noted in the Employment Committee minutes.

New Business:

No new business was discussed.

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at approximately 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'William Bolster', written over a horizontal line.

William Bolster, Secretary

As recorded by Kathy Williams, Executive Administrative Assistant

The above minutes were reviewed and approved by Anne Tolan, Chairperson of the Productive Living Board.

Guests Present

Pamela Merkle	Association on Aging with Developmental Disabilities
Kathy Farache	Association on Aging with Developmental Disabilities
Tammy Stevens	Association on Aging with Developmental Disabilities
Jerry Mauer	Association on Aging with Developmental disabilities
Danna Jensen	Bridges Community Support Services
Donna Gunning	The Center for Specialized Services
Jean Marshall	Easter Seals Midwest
Karen Trower	Heartland Industries
Rob Libera	Lafayette Industries
Stacey Elster	Lafayette Industries
Chuck Udell	Lafayette Industries
Beth Brown	MERS/Missouri Goodwill Industries
Sharon Hales	OASIS Institute
Mary Ann Gehrin	Options for Justice
Ray Halagera	Paraquad, Inc.
Jodi Woessner	Pathways to Independence
Matt Burrige	Project, Inc.
Sue Fleming	Recreation Council
Rhonda Hembree	St. Louis Arc, Inc.
Mark A. Keeley	St. Louis Arc, Inc.
Sara Fulk	Sunnyhill, Inc.
Nathan Harms	TREE House of St. Louis
Eulonda Nevels	YWCA Metro St. Louis
Shaelene Plank	St. Louis Office for Developmental Disability Resources
Lois Warren	St. Louis County Regional Office