

**Livingston County Board for the Care and Treatment  
Of Persons with a Developmental Disability  
377 Board Meeting Minutes  
May 24, 2023 @ 4:00p.m.**

**377 Board Present:** Bob McCarty, Vicki Day, Chris Johnson  
**377 Board Absent:**

**708 Board Present:** Jack Vietti, Debbie Studnicki, Gary Beier, Rose Smith, Ed Legner, Lynette Barnett, Pam Stone  
**708 Board Absent:**

**Livingston County Board Members:** Jack Vietti

**Staff Present:** Chris Myers and Meg Gillette

**Guests:** Patty Haberkorn and Adeana Fox, Futures Unlimited; Joe Vaughn and Christine McMillion, IHR; and Taylor Baxter and Abby Vietti, Pontiac Parks & Recreation, and Amy Zick

**Presentation:**  
None

The 377 Board meeting was called to order by President Bob McCarty. Bob McCarty made the motion to move the AIR Program up on the agenda of New Business as the first item as they need to leave the meeting to get back to the Rec Center. Chris Johnson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Agenda:**

**New Business:**

AIR - Taylor Baxter and Abbie Vietti, the new AIR (Adapted & Inclusive Recreation) Coordinator presented the 2023-24 funding request. The program supports people with developmental disabilities, mental illness, and physical disabilities. It has grown into a larger program since it was operated under LCAR/LCSSU with Special Olympics – basketball, bowling, track & field, and upcoming volleyball, activities, events, and classes. As they have been expending their budget most years, they are asking for \$4,500 more than previous years. It will be used for more activities, more staff hours, sweatshirts for Olympians, and food/drinks for movie nights, pizza party, and monthly birthday celebrations.

- It was moved by Bob McCarty and seconded by Chris Johnson to approve the 377 Board minutes for April 2023. Motion carried.
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- It was moved by Vicki Day and seconded by Chris Johnson to approve the 377 Board check listing for April 2023. Motion carried.
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- It was moved by Chris Johnson and seconded by Bob McCarty to approve the 377 Board financial statements for March 2023. Motion carried.

### **Executive Director Report:**

- Chris Myers thanked everyone that completed a witness slip for HB 475 – the bill did pass the House with some language defining authority for establishing the budget. This also benefits some of the newer Boards that have had difficulty establishing adequate levies/budgets and cleans up some of the language around Board member appointments. Now it's awaiting movement out of the General Assembly and to the Governor for signature.
- For the Futures Golf outing, the 708 Board purchased a Blackstone grill for a raffle.
- For the Color Walk sponsored by Safe Journeys, the 708 Board also purchased another Blackstone grill for their raffle. Ace Hardware in Pontiac, gives us a 20% discount for these purchases.

### **Agency Comments:**

#### **Futures Unlimited:**

- Patty Haberkorn reported again staffing issues; they continue to lose DSP's to the schools.
- August 24<sup>th</sup> is the Farm to Table event, which has the hopes of being a great fundraiser. They are still looking for sponsors.

#### **Institute for Human Resources:**

- Joe Vaughan reported that they are finishing up their American Rescue Grant which they received from the County and was providing counseling services at the schools.
- There was a tragedy at Tri-Points schools recently, and IHR has able to send counselors over there for more support to the faculty and students. This is a perfect example of how they use some of the 708 funding and they sure don't want to bill the school when they are already experiencing the trauma.

#### **New Business (continued):**

- Lynette Barnett was acknowledged and thanked for her three years serving on the 708 Board. She has been assigned as pastor of a church in Harrisburg and her husband has been assigned as pastor of a church in Carbondale. Two of their children live between those two towns. Lynette was presented with a fleece blanket with her family name on it.
- Amy Zick was acknowledged and thanked for her eleven+ years of employment as the Financial Officer. She has taken a position as Financial Officer for the IL Police Retirement Fund. She will work between home and Peoria. A \$50 donation in Amy's name was given to the LCHD for their Cancer Fund. She was also given some plants and basket for her gardening needs.
- OSF 0-3 – They are requesting a reduction of 11.3% in their funding due to lack of numbers. Included in their budget At Risk Eligibility Assessment Offsite and At Risk Individual Enrichment Visit Offsite in case they have the need to see an infants offsite. They large service continues to be their At Risk Enrichment Group (Playgroup), which has grown tremendously this past year.
- Mosaic – Mosaic did ask for an increase of 250% based on cost of dental services, more that need sedative for dental procedures, camp fees, and the need for more adaptive personal care items. They are asking for \$4,000 more in

dental funds, \$6,000 more in camp and activities, and \$5,000 more in assistance to pay for unplanned expenses that insurance doesn't cover, adaptive devices for the individuals.

**Old Business:**

- None

**Executive Session:**

- It was moved by Vicki Day to go into Executive Session for personnel matters. Chris Johnson seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- It was moved by Bob McCarty to come out of Executive Session. Chris Johnson seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- **Action:** Due to staffing issues in the LCMHB office, Bob McCarty made the motion for the Executive Director, Chris Myers, to work full-time until the office is fully staffed and she feels confident in their training. Chris Johnson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

It was moved by Vicki Day and seconded by Chris Johnson to adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Johnson, Secretary