



# Vinton County Board of Developmental Disabilities

## REGULAR BOARD MEETING

August 23, 2022

The Vinton County Board of Developmental Disabilities regular session was called to order by President Jeri Ann Trainer at 5:38 p.m. on Tuesday, August 23, 2022.

### Attendance:

Member	Present	Absent	Prior notice
Jeri Ann Trainer	x		
Tammy Hopkins	x		
Sharon Chaney	x		
Tiffany Pierce	x		
Karen Hauck	x		

### Public Comment

Troy and Pam Bishop expressed their concerns regarding placement for their son.

### Approval of July Minutes:

69-22 Moved by Tiffany Pierce, seconded by Tammy Hopkins, to accept the minutes for the July 26, 2022 Board Meeting, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Vote	Yes	No	Abstain
Jeri Ann Trainer	x		
Tammy Hopkins	x		
Sharon Chaney	x		
Tiffany Pierce	x		
Karen Hauck	x		

### Approval of July Expenses and Financial Statements:

Beth Seifert presented the July Expenses and Financial Statements to the Board.

70-22 Moved by Sharon Chaney, seconded by Karen Hauck, to approve the July 2022 Expenses, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Vote	Yes	No	Abstain
Jeri Ann Trainer	x		
Tammy Hopkins	x		
Sharon Chaney	x		
Tiffany Pierce	x		
Karen Hauck	x		

71-22 Moved by Tammy Hopkins, seconded by Sharon Chaney, to approve the July 2022 Financial Statements, as presented with notation that B55 fund balance does not tie to the balance shown by County Auditor. This is due to the disputed invoice approved by the Commissioners to be paid from the DD Capital Improvement Fund without board approval. Motion carried unanimously.

Vote	Yes	No	Abstain
Jeri Ann Trainer	x		
Tammy Hopkins	x		
Sharon Chaney	x		
Tiffany Pierce	x		
Karen Hauck	x		

**Superintendent’s Report:**

John Pekar stated Board Member Annual training would be held after the September or October board meeting. John Pekar reported Director Hauck would visit Vinton County DD on Thursday, September 8<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm. John Pekar stated one board member will be needed for accreditation in December and he will meet with the board member immediately after the November board meeting in preparation.

**SSA Report:**

SSA Department Board Report August 2022

Welcome to the new Vinton County Board of DD office! August has consisted of moving and settling in while continuing outreach services. A HUGE THANK YOU to Fairfield County Board of DD’s IT team and maintenance team! They as well as Tina Spanos have been instrumental in coordinating this move successfully. Staff also worked the Vinton County Fair to share services and our mission of inclusivity with the community. We have also hired a new SSA to begin on 8/22/2022. Faith Appleman has experience in case management and in assisting with employment options experience while at Jobs and Family Services. She also comes to us with a degree in Communications. Welcome to our team!

JB/GDC UPDATE: Guardian requested Tracey Perry to check with ICF Circulo in proximity to us. She reported that they do not have any ICF’s in the state of Ohio. Guardians have not agreed upon a meeting date with this SSA Director. Letter was drafted and sent to the guardians with a copy of the motion. See the attached letter. SSA was informed of options for the guardians to pursue if they choose to not meet with the SSA Director. These options include filing with probate court to mandate his admission at GDC, giving perimeters of the ICF search for the SSA to follow, continued support by the

SSA and the Behavior Support Coordinator, SSA and guardians to continue contacting ICF's that have opening as found on the OPRA website and from DODD Regional Liaison.

Kudos: Tracey Poling and Dean Rallof are currently working with an adult male who experienced a traumatic brain injury in his adolescence resulting in significant physical and intellectual disabilities. Over the past year he also experienced the loss of his grandfather who was an important part of his life, and who encouraged him to overcome any barriers he may face. Since the loss of his grandfather significant changes in his functioning were noted by his staff at home and adult day services. Many of his behaviors were putting his own physical health as well as the safety of others at risk and if this situation were to continue and would likely lead to the need for rights restrictions in his plan. He was choosing to not follow his physician recommendations to avoid worsening physical symptoms which could eventually lead to the amputation of his lower extremities. Also, his behaviors at the day service provider were placing others in physical danger. Through educating staff about positive behavior supports and trauma informed strategies such as how to provide positive correction, use of active listening skills, normalizing his experience of assistance, positive role modeling, strategies for building a sense of self-worth and sometimes just providing him with the time and space he needs have shown successful in reducing incident reports from several a week to 2 incident reports in a 1-month period. We are continuing to work with the team in how to work with this young man on how he can continue to contribute to his community and to ensure that he is receiving the level of medical care needed for him to continue to have a successful life.

**Old Business:**

**Approval of Revised Policies Resolution #2022-08-01:**

72-22 Moved by Tiffany Pierce, seconded by Karen Hauck, to approve Revised Policies Resolution #2022-08-01, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Vote	Yes	No	Abstain
Jeri Ann Trainer	x		
Tammy Hopkins	x		
Sharon Chaney	x		
Tiffany Pierce	x		
Karen Hauck	x		

**Approval of Readopted Policies Resolution #2022-08-02:**

73-22 Moved by Sharon Chaney, seconded by Tammy Hopkins to approve Readopted Policies Resolution #2022-08-02, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Vote	Yes	No	Abstain
Jeri Ann Trainer	x		
Tammy Hopkins	x		
Sharon Chaney	x		
Tiffany Pierce	x		
Karen Hauck	x		

**Approval of Invoice Resolution #2022-08-03:**

74-22 Moved by Karen Hauck, seconded by Tammy Hopkins to approve Invoice Resolution #2022-08-03, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Vote	Yes	No	Abstain
Jeri Ann Trainer	x		
Tammy Hopkins	x		
Sharon Chaney	x		
Tiffany Pierce	x		
Karen Hauck	x		

**Approval of New Mission Statement:**

75-22 Moved by Sharon Chaney, seconded by Tiffany Pierce to approve New Mission Statement, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Vote	Yes	No	Abstain
Jeri Ann Trainer	x		
Tammy Hopkins	x		
Sharon Chaney	x		
Tiffany Pierce	x		
Karen Hauck	x		

**Approval of Vinton County Housing Development Corporation Letter of Intent:**

76-22 Moved by Karen Hauck, seconded by Tiffany Pierce to approved Vinton County Housing Development Corporation Letter of Intent, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Vote	Yes	No	Abstain
Jeri Ann Trainer	x		
Tammy Hopkins	x		
Sharon Chaney	x		
Tiffany Pierce	x		
Karen Hauck	x		

**Approval of Contractor Agreement for SSA Services with Amanda Saunders:**

77-22 Moved by Tiffany Pierce, seconded by Tammy Hopkins to approve Contractor Agreement for SSA Services with Amanda Saunders, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Vote	Yes	No	Abstain
Jeri Ann Trainer	x		
Tammy Hopkins	x		

Sharon Chaney	x		
Tiffany Pierce	x		
Karen Hauck	x		

**Adjournment:**

78-22 Moved by Sharon Chaney, seconded by Tiffany Pierce, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Vote	Yes	No	Abstain
Jeri Ann Trainer	x		
Tammy Hopkins	x		
Sharon Chaney	x		
Tiffany Pierce	x		
Karen Hauck	x		

The meeting was adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for September 27, 2022 at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Approved as to form:

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Sharon Chaney, Secretary

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Jeri Ann Trainer, President