

April 2013 Board Meeting

The Stark County Social Service Board met on Monday, April 22 2013. Present at the meeting were Russ Hoff, Duane Wolf, Sherry Adams, Ken Zander, Pete Kuntz, and Diane Mortenson.

Absent were Jay Elkin and Jim Hope.

The meeting was called to order by chairman, Russ Hoff.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved by Ken Zander and seconded by Duane Wolf.

The schedules and financial statements were reviewed. Sherry Adams made a motion to accept the statements and Pete Kuntz seconded. Motion carried by unanimous ballot.

The end of the month statistic reports was reviewed. Discussion about the activity in the units was held.

Agenda:

- 1) Oil Impact: The number for March was 43. Year to date total is 121.
- 2) Personnel update: The Multi-County CPS position remains open. Jenn Kortgard has resigned her position as foster care social worker effective 4/17/13. This position is being advertised. A social work student from MSU, Rachael Anderson will be doing a summer social work placement with Stark County Social Services starting on May 13, 2013.
- 3) HB 1233: The board was updated on the latest developments of this bill that was brought forward for the state to pick up the expenses of foster care maintenance, subsidized adoption, foster care medical, in-home services, and SPED costs that the county is currently paying. The final passage has not yet been received. Discussion followed about the need to continue with local access to services, and local input into how services are administered.
- 4) Medicaid Expansion: The passing of this bill was discussed. It is unknown what impact this will have on the need for additional staff at the county level. It is known that more individuals will be eligible for Medicaid and potentially home and community based services.
- 5) Building update with safety issues?? Discussion was held on putting more security into the building for the protection of staff. Ken Zander make a motion to purchase a panic button to be placed at the front desk and video surveillance cameras on all entrance and exit doors used by the employees and clients. The funds for these security measures are

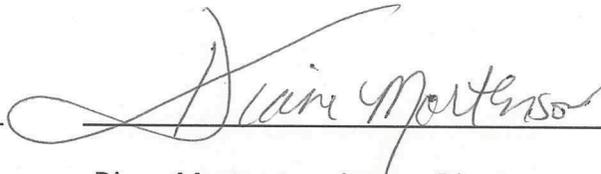
to come out of the capital improvement funds. Pete Kuntz seconded the motion. It was carried by unanimous ballot.

- 6) Director's evaluation: Diane was asked to leave the meeting and later returned to be given her performance evaluation by the board. This will be filed in her personnel file.

With no other business before the board, Ken Zander made a motion to adjourn, and this was seconded by Pete Kuntz.

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Russ Hoff, Chairman

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Diane Mortenson, Agency Director