

HUEDC  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
ATTENDANCE RECORD

DATE: October 17, 2017

TIME: 7:00 p.m.

PLACE: 500 West Main Street, Mitchell, IN

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mary Alice Brown\*  
Billy Joe Walker  
Marolyn Holzbog  
Mary Stutzman  
Martha Fields  
Greg Taylor  
Charlotte Speer  
Gerald Montgomery  
Janie Johnson  
Rosie Wininger  
Vicky Bauernfiend  
Janet Harrison  
Bob Jones  
Dave Dedrick  
Reita Nicholson  
Richard Beaty  
Karan Jones  
Lisa Crane  
Ronnie Pennington  
Max Bedwell  
Jack Mahuron

MEMBERS ABSENT

Sharon Mitchell E  
Bill Mitchell E  
Angela Crecelius E  
Sara Luallen E  
Angela Turpin E  
James Oswalt E  
Suzanne Brown A  
Herman Campbell\* A  
Don Bowling E  
Marietta Hager\* E  
Ava Kinney E

\* Alternate  
A Absent  
E Excused Absence

STAFF PRESENT: David Miller and Angelia Owens

GUEST PRESENT:

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I. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Martha Fields, Chairperson. Opening Prayer – Pledge of Allegiance.

II. ROLL CALL/ESTABLISH QUORUM: Roll call was done by Angelia Owens. There were (21) members in attendance. A quorum was present.

New Board Member, Max Bedwell, was introduced to the Board by the CEO. He will be representing Washington County in the Public Elect Sector.

III. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: No corrections or questions.

Lisa Crane made the motion to approve September minutes. Charlotte Speer seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED

IV. FINANCIAL REPORT – August Report

Jack Mahuron made the motion to approve the August Financial Report as mailed. Greg Taylor seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED

V. OLD BUSINESS: N/A

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS: Nominating Committee Report

The Nominating Committee for the Election of Officers for 2018-2019 was selected by Martha Fields. Appointed to the Committee were:

Dave Dedrick, Chairman  
Greg Taylor  
Rosie Wininger  
Bill Mitchell  
Ava Kinney

The Nomination of Election of Officers was announced by Dave Dedrick, Committee Chairman. The Nominating Committee recommended the following appointments to the Hoosier Uplands Board of Directors with terms beginning on January 1, 2018 and expiring on December 31, 2019:

Martha Fields – Chairperson  
Ronnie Pennington – Vice Chairman  
Reita Nicholson – Secretary  
Sharon Mitchell – Treasurer

Billy Joe Walker made the motion to approve the recommendation of the Nominating Committee for all of the above appointments to the Hoosier Uplands Board of Director's with terms beginning on January 1, 2018 and expiring on December 31, 2019. Richard Beaty seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED

## VII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT: David Miller

### REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

1. Out of State Travel Request: Debbie Beeler – New York PTECH High Schools & change of previously approved trip in April from Las Vegas to Anaheim, CA

Debbie Beeler, Director of Children's Services, has been serving as a representative for Hoosier Uplands on the Lawrence County Education Coalition. This group of community leaders is addressing the workforce shortage in Lawrence County and developing strategies to work with the local school systems to create pathways for students to leave high school with the skills and credentials/certificates that will enable them to immediately enter the workforce. One concept we are pursuing is called PTECH high schools. PTECH schools are public schools that offer students a new approach to learning, bringing together the best elements of high school, college, and career. Students graduate with an industry-recognized associate degree or a specialized certificate/credential and the skills to succeed in high-growth industries. PTECH schools are considered grades 9-14 providing six years of learning for students to become career ready without debt.

Need Board approval to allow Debbie Beeler, Director of Children's Services, to travel out of state to New York on October 31<sup>st</sup> – November 2, 2017 to visit two PTECH high schools. Her expenses for the trip will be paid for by the planning grant Lawrence County received. Also, the Director was notified that the previously Board approved out of state travel for her and up to three additional staff to the National Head Start Association's annual training conference in April 2018 to Las Vegas, NV has been moved to Anaheim, CA on April 21<sup>st</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

Rosie Wininger made the motion to approve out of state travel request for Debbie Beeler, Director of Children's Services, to travel to New York on October 31<sup>st</sup> – November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017 to visit two PTECH high schools; and also approved the location change of the previously approved out of state travel for the Director and up to three additional staff to attend the National Head Start Association's annual training conference on April 21<sup>st</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018 in Las Vegas, NV to Anaheim, CA. Reita Nicholson seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED

2. 2018 Agency Wide Budget - Approval

Need Board approval to accept the 2018 Agency Wide Budget.

Ronnie Pennington made the motion to approve the 2018 Agency Wide Budget.

Marolyn Holzbog seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED

INFORMATION ONLY:

1. The CEO informed the Board of Hospice receiving their Indiana State Department of Health license renewal.
2. The CEO updated the Board on the Eagle Place Apartment project in Loogootee. We received all funding for the 20 unit senior housing project. Work should begin in late November or early December. We have received a \$5,000 donation from the Martin County Community Foundation and \$25,000 from St. Vincent DePaul for the project.
3. The CEO informed the Board of the Eagle Place Apartments receiving a \$10,000 donation from the Martin County Alliance for Economic Growth in honor of Don Bowling.
4. The Martin County Women, Infants, and Children's (WIC) Program Review letter from the Indiana State Department of Health was handed out to each Board Member to review. No findings were found and comments were very complimentary.

**Billy Joe Walker:** Were you the principal at Salem? I am a retired teacher and coach from Paoli and remember you from years ago.

**Max Bedwell:** Yes and I am very familiar with a board member who is deceased and a person I started working with many years ago – John Fultz. You mentioned the fact of us working in education and I think when we were on the front line we had an opportunity to view the needs of this organization on a daily basis. That's my concern and why I am here.

**David Miller:** I took Max around to Stalker Apartments, Stonecutters Apartments, and College Hill Apartments and he said what impressed him most was our mental health clinic.

**Max Bedwell:** I'm glad it's being used for one reason, you know our news media, our politicians, and many others dance around the problems we have. Many people have a need and when I heard the number of people that the office served that's really overwhelming. I don't know how they even function. They are doing a tremendous job and is extremely necessary.

PROVIDED MATERIALS

- Program Director's Board Reports
- News Articles
- Letters

VIII. ADJOURN

Richard Beaty made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Lisa Crane seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED

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Reita Nicholson, Secretary