

BEAUFORT COUNTY DISABILITIES AND SPECIAL NEEDS ADVISORY BOARD  
100 Clear Water Way  
Beaufort, SC 29906  
August 21, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT: Pamela Brandon-Hennigh, David Green, Frankie Middleton, Nancy Pinkerton, Lynn Russo, Gardenia Simmons-White

MEMBERS ABSENT: Grace Dennis, Gregory Hall, Jane Sidwell, Monica Spells (Ex-officio)

STAFF PRESENT: Bill Love, Wanda Mayse, Janice Beach, Cherie Scoggins

GUESTS PRESENT: Alice Howard, George Pinkerton, Wendy Bukowski

I. CALL TO ORDER – Nancy Pinkerton, Chairman

Ms. Pinkerton called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

II. WELCOMING GUESTS

Ms. Pinkerton welcomed our guests to the meeting.

III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 19, 2018 BOARD MEETING

MS. PINKERTON ASKED FOR A MOTION TO APPROVE THE JUNE 19, 2018 MINUTES. A MOTION WAS MADE BY LYNN RUSSO AND SECONDED BY DAVID GREEN TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES AS WRITTEN. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

IV. ADOPTION OF THE AUGUST 21, 2018 AGENDA

MS. PINKERTON ASKED FOR A MOTION TO ADOPT THE AUGUST 21, 2018 AGENDA. A MOTION WAS MADE BY DAVID GREEN AND SECONDED BY LYNN RUSSO TO ACCEPT THE AGENDA. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

V. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT – Nancy Pinkerton, Chairman

Ms. Pinkerton turned the meeting over to Mr. Love.

VI. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT –Bill Love

Letter from Governor's Office - Mr. Love discussed the letter that Board members received from the Governor's office. He said there is a lot of discussion and opinions about it. We have one Board member resign out of protest because she felt it was too personal and she was not going to respond. Previously the governor's office approved Board members. If you have any questions about the legality of it, contact the County attorney. I personally feel it is a nice additional step. Being appointed by the Governor will add prestige to the appointment and look good on a resume.

New Home Update – Mr. Love said that by the end of this month one home will be complete and by the end of the next month a second one will be complete. Center Drive should be complete in the next two weeks. Landscaping has been done. Wanda went over with the people from the blinds company and measured for blinds. Once the house is turned over to us they will come and install the blinds. Waddell pulled electrical work. It is a really cute and nice house. The third house just broke ground. It should be ready in three months. Once Center and Waddell are turned over to us we will begin moving consumers into them.

Ms. Russo said we will have the dedication ceremony on October 25<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM at the Port Royal residence. We are going to have chairs set up outside and will have “noshy” type things (cheese, crackers, fruit, etc.) since it is after lunch. Invitations will be sent out to legislators, County Council, the different boards, family members, and the HOA for the developments where the houses are located. Mr. Love would like for Monica Spells to invite Mitzi (Wagner) and Gary (Kubic) to be a part of the ceremony. Mitzi was very instrumental in getting the proviso that will have the money for the sale of Port Royal CRCF come back to the County. The state had Port Royal re-appraised. The new appraisal is \$750,000.

Training by Sheriff’s Office on New ID – Mr. Love passed out a couple of the new ID cards that have been made for the consumers. The Sheriff’s office is sending someone on August 30<sup>th</sup> to train on the proper way to show the cards. On the day of the bazaar someone from the sheriff’s office will come talk to people about them too. David Green made a motion to approve the cards. The Board approved the new ID cards.

Bazaar Update – Mr. Love said the bazaar is going to be October 20<sup>th</sup>. Some of you came last year and participated and helped out. I hope you will do the same this year. This year will be a little different in that we will have assistive technology equipment on the blue floor in the Day Program. We are going to ask places like PEP and Osprey to come take a look to see what is going on. Most of the training on assistive technology is done in Columbia. We want to have something local. We are looking at grants and foundations to help pay for the robot for Early Intervention. We are asking for donations of things you don’t need or use anymore for us to sell at the bazaar.

Walking Trail – Mr. Love is recommending a walking trail be built around our facility. We have 10 acres and the area is very beautiful. Mr. Love would like to make it five feet wide with benches along the way. Ms. Spells asked him to talk to Planning and Codes Department about it. They are going to fly their drone over and get a look at it. This would be for the consumers and the community to utilize. This is a good opportunity to connect us to the community and to utilize this area. Ms. Brandon suggested that we use something that is wheelchair accessible on the path.

## VII. DEPUTY DIRECTOR’S REPORT – Wanda Mayse

Resolution/By-Laws - Ms. Mayse said that one of the requirements for the grant we are applying for was to send a copy of by-laws for the Board. What we sent was not sufficient because it did not meet the requirements of by-laws. What we have is an ordinance. In order to correct that we have to have a resolution from the County. I have drafted a resolution for the Board to approve and sign. Ms. Mayse read the resolution. Ms. Brandon

made a motion to approve the resolution. It was seconded by Ms. Russo and approved by the Board.

Ms. Mayse added that the move into the new homes will impact a lot of families. We are having an open house meeting on September 27<sup>th</sup> from 4pm – 6pm for discussions by families. Other consumers may be moving around too. We are trying to group them together more amicably and allow an opportunity for making choices of where consumers live and who they live with.

VII. POLICY COMMITTEE - Grace Dennis

No policies to be reviewed at this time.

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Hospitality Committee, Lynn Russo – Ms. Russo said she is working on the dedication ceremony.
- Personnel Committee, Lynn Russo, Chair – Nothing
- Public Relations/Legislative Committee, David Green, Chair – Waiting on date for Legislative Delegation meeting.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Love mentioned that the board should write a letter thanking the Legislators for the proviso. He will draft the letter for review at the next meeting.

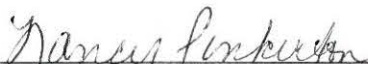
The next board meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 18, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. at:

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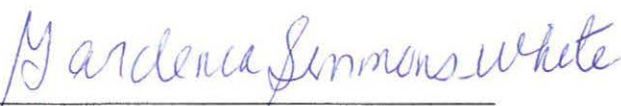
X. ADJOURNMENT

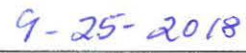
MOTION WAS MADE BY DAVID GREEN AND SECONDED BY LYNN RUSSO TO ADJOURN THE AUGUST 21<sup>ST</sup> MEETING. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

  
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Nancy Pinkerton, Chairman

  
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Gardenia Simmons-White, Vice-Chairman

  
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