

BEAUFORT COUNTY DISABILITIES AND SPECIAL NEEDS ADVISORY BOARD

100 Clear Water Way

Beaufort, SC 29906

September 25, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT: Grace Dennis, David Green, Frankie Middleton, Nancy Pinkerton, Lynn Russo, Gardenia Simmons-White

MEMBERS ABSENT: Pamela Brandon-Hennigh, Jane Sidwell, Monica Spells (Ex-officio)

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

GUESTS PRESENT: Wendy Bukowski, Beth Dennis, Sean Green, Cris Inglese (Assistant County Attorney)

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 AUGUST 21, 2018 BOARD MEETING

MS. PINKERTON ASKED FOR A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AUGUST 21, 2018 MINUTES. A MOTION WAS MADE BY LYNN RUSSO AND SECONDED BY GRACE DENNIS TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES AS WRITTEN. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

IV. ADOPTION OF THE SEPTEMBER 25, 2018 AGENDA

MS. PINKERTON ASKED FOR A MOTION TO ADOPT THE SEPTEMBER 25, 2018 AGENDA. A MOTION WAS MADE AND SECONDED TO ACCEPT THE AGENDA. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

V. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT – Nancy Pinkerton, Chairman

Ms. Pinkerton stated that we have had another resignation so we will need another member. Greg Hall has been going to school and working and has been unable to attend meetings regularly and has decided it is best that he resign for now. We are hoping once he has finished school he will come back and reapply for our Board.

VI. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT –Bill Love

Budget Update, Beth Cody – This is your first quarterly budget report for FY 2019. We should be 23% of the way through the budget. Revenues are all coming in fairly close. Some of the state revenues are in but not technically showing yet. Our revenue is coming in at 11% officially. Personnel costs – nothing unusual except Summer Services because camp runs across FY 2018 and FY 2019. Port Royal's personnel budget will be transferred out once the new houses are opened. There is nothing unusual in Purchased Services. Our

contract with the State for the new fiscal year has changed. Band rates have increased for consumers as well as reimbursement for things like Early Intervention services.

Mr. Love thanked David Green for speaking at the Legislative Delegation meeting this morning. He thanked them for the proviso and did an excellent job. The Legislative Delegation was pleased that he did that. We also had a consumer from Port Royal who is non-verbal get up with an interpreter. He was dressed in his suit and told them through the interpreter that he was important like they were. They invited him to sit with them during the meeting so he did. The meeting can be viewed on the County channel.

Evacuation for Florence – Mr. Love said that this was the third time in two years that we have had to evacuate. Staff did an excellent job. This has become a fine tuned effort for us. It was well organized and everybody pitched in to make it work. Mr. Love said he feels we took more staff than we needed or we could have used some staff differently. Burton Center was very accepting of us again and the town and businesses pitched in and brought food for us.

Bazaar Update – Mr. Love said the bazaar is going to be October 20<sup>th</sup>. He asked Leisha Powell to come in and give an update to the Board. Ms. Powell said currently we have 40 vendors which include three food vendors. We have a total of ten community awareness and assistive technology vendors. This year ABLE decided to buy fish and have an old fashioned fish fry. They are coming up a little short and are asking the boards to help with the cost of purchasing the necessary items they will need. The Boy Scouts of America will do all the cooking to earn a merit badge. For entertainment we have David Laughlin, Aunt Pearly Sue, and Battery Creek High School Band. We have thirteen contributors who have donated items for raffles. Mr. Love thanked Ms. Powell for all of her hard work organizing the bazaar.

Board Retreat – Mr. Love said that every year he is responsible for providing a retreat for the Board. Last year we did the bazaar and I would like to do that again this year. The draw this year is on the assistive technology. We have vendors from the University of South Carolina and they will be talking about the advancements in technology for this population.

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

New Homes Update - Ms. Mayse said that she and Mr. Love have been sitting in on County meetings talking about where we are in the process. Right now, through the inspection process, we discovered the water flow pressure is not strong enough to support a sprinkler system. This is a BJWSA issue. We bear some of the responsibility because they said we did not let them know what the capacity of the home would be supporting. We have to go back now and fix that at our expense and it is going to set us back two months.

Hurricane Evacuation – Ms. Mayse said we took a total of 52 consumers, 8 of which were community members, and 6 consumers who live on their own. We took 34 staff and 14 County vehicles to transport. It was a seamless process going and coming back. We got the order from the State saying we had to be moving out of the county by 1:00 on the 10<sup>th</sup>. We could not do that so we got a small number out by 8:30 Monday night and the rest left on Tuesday morning. We got a call while still on the road that the order had been lifted but we

did not want to come back until they were sure the threat was over. We came back on Saturday.

Update on Consumers – Ms. Mayse shared that with the census we were one over and that we had to medically discharge one consumer. Moving around we will be within the census that we need for the twelve that will go to Port Royal. Also, Mark Byers who was at Pinecrest that we had to move to a nursing facility passed away.

VII. POLICY COMMITTEE - Grace Dennis

No policies to be reviewed at this time.

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Hospitality Committee, Lynn Russo – Ms. Russo said she and Cherie are working on the dedication ceremony.
- Personnel Committee, Lynn Russo, Chair – Nothing
- Public Relations/Legislative Committee, David Green, Chair – Attended the Legislative Delegation meeting this morning. They are appreciative of our thanks and are very supportive.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Bukowski asked to be put on the email list for the Board meetings.

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

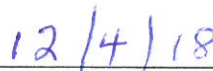
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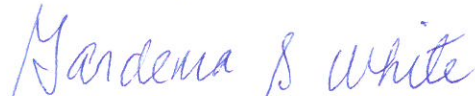
X. ADJOURNMENT


MOTION WAS MADE BY LYNN RUSSO AND SECONDED TO ADJOURN THE SEPTEMBER 25<sup>TH</sup> MEETING. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

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

  
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Nancy Pinkerton, Chairman

  
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Gardena Simmons-White, Vice-Chairman

  
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