

Minutes
Ashtabula County Senior Services Levy Advisory Board
January 15th, 2020

Present

Patrick Arcaro
Willietta Bunch-
Marbury
Neroy Carter
Paul Fuller
Christine Litweiler
Joseph Rapose
Rhonda Rodriquez
Mary Runyan
Dianne Solembrino
Michelle Thomas
Virginia Walker
Jane Wallace
Pam Zack

Absent

Jerome Brockway
Mary Pepperney
Lynn Zalewski

Staff

Ronald Smith
Alissa Drees
Darcy Mosier

BOCC

Kathryn Whittington

Call to Order

Michelle Thomas called the meeting to order.

Approval of Minutes

Michelle Thomas asked the board to review the minutes from November 6, 2019. After the board reviewed the minutes, Willietta Bunch-Marbury made the motion to approve the minutes from November 6, 2019. Mary Runyan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Chair's Report

Michelle Thomas introduced the new Senior Levy Advisory Board members, Christine Litweiler, Joseph Rapose and Rhonda Rodriquez and the current members introduced themselves. The SLAB Committee was advised to fill out the Conflict of Interest forms provided in their binder and leave with Darcy Mosier or Alissa Drees. Michelle Thomas brought the boards attention to the Revised Senior Levy Advisory Board 2020 Meeting Calendar. Due to scheduling conflicts, revisions were made. Neroy Carter made a motion to approve the revised Senior Levy Advisory Board meeting dates for the 2020 calendar. Dianne Solembrino seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Funding

Ron Smith presented the Revenue & Expense Report as of December 31, 2019. He stated the year began with \$968,429.59. The current year revenue is \$1,810,583.89. Total revenue \$2,779,013.48 leaving an estimated, unobligated available balance of \$299,648.32. Ron Smith provided the 2020 Proposed Budget for the first SLAB meeting of the new year. Cash balance forward is \$990,202.00, estimated revenue projected by county auditor that will be collected from levy

is \$1,853,591.00, giving \$2,843,793.00 total Estimated Available for the FY2020. Neroy Carter made the motion to approve the 2020FY Budget. Mary Runyan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Contract Reports

Contract Report: Darcy Mosier presented the contract report. This report represents payments made against provider's contracts beginning January 1, 2019 through the calendar year. Darcy reported that providers should have used approximately 92% of their annual budget as of November 30, 2019. Darcy also noted the highlighted providers reflected the full twelve months of FY2019 contract. This will also be reflected by the annual percentage of 100%. Those providers at 92%, had not submitted December's invoice at time of January's SLAB meeting.

Wait List: Darcy Mosier reviewed the providers displaying a waitlist for the month of November 2019. Ashtabula Regional Home Health Services served 57 clients, while 57 clients were on the waitlist. Discussion resulted in seeking clarification from Ashtabula Regional Home Health Services; are those on the waitlist getting any assistance from other providers or sources and what is the duration of wait time to be provided services from Ashtabula Regional Home Health Services when a consumer is placed on the waitlist. The board agreed it would be beneficial to invite Sue Shadle from Ashtabula Regional Home Health Services to speak on their behalf and possibly shed some light and verification regarding their waitlist. In addition, Sue Shadle may share other sources used to provide services to identified consumers. Darcy will contact Ashtabula Regional Home Health Services and invite them to attend the next Senior Levy Advisory Board meeting on March 19, 2020. The other providers with waitlist were Country Neighbor Program; Personal Care, Ashtabula County Community Action Agency; Homemaker, Country Neighbor Program; Homemaker, all of which are due to their current staffing issues.

Committees

1. Senior Levy Campaign update- Pam Zack, Senior Services Levy campaign treasurer stated 250 campaign signs have been ordered and will arrive week of January 22, 2020. Pam shared overview of contributions and expenditures. Pam added there will be post cards sent to absentee voters, the campaign committee has secured speaking engagements with many organizations in Ashtabula County and have scheduled weekly meetings at A-Tech as the campaign momentum builds. It was suggested there be a public service announcement in the community calendar of the local newspapers allowing the citizens that read the newspaper to be aware of campaign meetings. This would either inform the citizens of what is happening with the campaign or give them the option to get involved in the campaign process. Also, social media will be used to generate interest and provide information regarding campaign. Paul Fuller reminded the board how important it is to have the energy of the board supporting the campaign by getting involved.

2. Senior Conference Committee 2020 update- Date set was June 5th, 2020 at Lakeside High School. Darcy Mosier will e-mail SLAB with a meeting date and time for the first committee meeting.

New Business:

1. Funding request for 2020 Senior Conference- Neroy Carter made a motion to approve the Senior Conference funding request of \$5,000.00 for 2020 Senior Conference. Mary Runyan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Public Comment

No public available for comment.

Adjourn

4. Paul Fuller made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Neroy Carter seconded the motion. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned.

**Next Board Meeting
July 16th, 2020 at 10 a.m.
Ohio Means Jobs**