



EASTERN COLORADO SERVICES
for the Developmentally Disabled, Inc.

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING February 25th, 2021

Members Present

Mike Ehrmann (Phone)
Tom Timm (Phone)
Eva Bruns (Phone)
Kent Jostes (Phone)
Dean Wingfield (Phone)
Mark Turner (Phone)
Ronald Smith (Phone)
Jerri Spear (Phone)

Members Absent

Linda Heller
Alice Hilzer

Others Present

Rhonda Roth
Leeah Key
Kasha Sheets

ROLL CALL: Michael Ehrmann, President, called the meeting to order. A quorum was present.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: **Motion** was made and seconded (Turner/Bruns) to approve the January, 2021 minutes with no corrections.

AGENDA ADDITIONS: None

CORRESPONDENCE: None

FINANCIAL REPORT: Kasha Sheets, presented the January financials. January was a much better month financially than December. We are in the process of closing Magnolia as a group home, which will help with overtime cost. We are also expecting an increase on Day Habilitation and Non-Medical Transportation rates, which should also help. Rhonda Roth provided an update on the moves taking place to close Magnolia. **Motion** was made and seconded (Wingfield/Bruns) to approve the January financial report. **All** in favor; none opposed. Motioned carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

- COVID-19 Update – Currently we have no positive cases. Many of our group home staff and persons receiving services have received the second dose of the vaccine, we are still working on getting vaccine clinics set up for Julesburg and Fort Morgan. We have also begun weekly testing again after the state changed laboratory contracts.

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NEW BUSINESS:

- Family Services and Support Program Storage Unit – Kasha Sheets and Rhonda Roth had a call with the state discussing the Family Services and Support Program. Last year we had to send back money to the state from the program and we think much of the underutilization was due to COVID-19. Our Family Support Council has had several conversations about starting a library of items that people in the program can check out and return for another family to check out, the biggest challenge has been finding a place to store everything. The state has agreed to have ECS purchase a storage building to house this library. Greg Schneider, Maintenance Technician, felt the Cumberland brand units are the best value for the money and believes there is enough room on the asphalt by the Main Office parking garage. The unit is 10'x20' with an 8' peak, so there would be room to put shelving inside of it. The unit costs \$5,690.00. **Motion** was made and seconded (Bruns/Jostes) to approve the purchase of the storage unit for the FSSP library. All in favor; none opposed. Motioned carried.
- Credit Card for Kasha Sheets – The board had previously approved for Kasha Sheets to get a credit card from Wells Fargo, however our contact moved to the Bank of Colorado and we are having some difficulty getting one through Wells Fargo. We are asking the board for approval to get a credit card for Kasha through the Bank of Colorado instead. **Motion** was made and seconded (Bruns/Wingfield) to approve a credit card for Kasha Sheets through Bank of Colorado. All in favor; none opposed. Motioned carried.
- CDPHE Survey – One of our group home residents passed away due to complications from COVID-19. The resident's medical power of attorney filed a complaint with the state which prompted a complaint survey. There were several components to the complaint but we were only cited for one deficiency and there were zero deficiencies cited for the infection control survey that was also conducted. The plan of corrections has been submitted to the state and we are waiting to see if it is accepted as is or if modifications to the plan will need to be made.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR UPDATE: None

Meeting adjourned.

As a reminder: *the telephone conference number is 1-877-820-7831 and the Participant Pass Code is 8058169, followed by the # sign. The Board meeting for March 25th, 2021 will begin at 6:30 pm.**