

Greene County Children and Youth Services
Advisory Board Meeting Minutes
November, 10, 2020

Call to Order: The regular meeting of the Greene County Children and Youth Services Advisory Board was held in the 4-H Building at the Greene County Fairgrounds, Waynesburg, PA on Tuesday, November 12, 2020. The meeting convened at 9:00 a.m.

Members Present: Roberta Boyd, Tammy Davis, Siara Johnson, Janette Kline, Pam Marisa, Commissioner Betsy McClure, Gary Moser, Sam Silbaugh, and Thelma Szarell.

Members Absent and/or Excused:

Non-Board Members Present: Amy Anderson, Michael Holloway, Erick Rigby, Brandy Yekel, Gene D'Antonio, Mark Starostanko, Beth Booker, and Brianna Vanata.

Approval of May 12, 2020 Minutes: Motion by Commissioner McClure to approve Minutes for the May 12, 2020 meeting. Seconded by Sam Silbaugh . Motion carried.

Approval of Treasurer's Reports: Motion by Gary Moser to approve November 10, 2020 Treasurer's Reports for the meeting. Seconded by Commissioner McClure. Motion carried.

CYS Administrator – Mark Starostanko:

- Mark reported that the agency currently has about mid 60's of children in care.
- Interviews are scheduled for caseworkers. Mark stated he would like to get up to 20 caseworkers.
- The angel tree is in full swing, Mark also stated that Ron Lewis is working with Beth and the agency to plan the Foster Kids Christmas party.

Blue Knights – Fran Suppok:

- Fran reported that this was the 17th year for the Blue Ride and have raised a little over \$600,000.00 with all the money going to various charities. This year's ride raised \$42,000.00.
- Fran presented a check for \$1,000 to help with the Foster Children's Christmas party.

Solicitor's Report – Erick Rigby:

- Erick introduced the new solicitor, Brianna Vanata, that started at the agency.
- Erick reported that there are no new matters to report.

New Business:

- **2021 CYS Advisory Executive Board:**
Motion by Gary Moser for Sam Silbaugh as Chairperson. Seconded by Commissioner Betsy McClure. Motion carried
Motion by Commissioner Betsy McClure for Gary Moser as Vice-Chairperson. Seconded by Sam Silbaugh. Motion carried.
Motion by Commissioner Betsy McClure for Janette Kline as Treasurer. Seconded by Tammy Davis. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Betsy McClure for Siara Johnson as Secretary. Seconded by Tammy Davis. Motion carried.

- Christmas Party – Beth Booker: Beth is really excited for the Foster Children's Christmas party this year. Ron Lewis is helping again this year. Beth reported that this year there will be stations for the children such as making a craft, making reindeer food, hot cocoa, and a game. Santa will also be there and everyone will receive a gift. She stated that a lot of help will be needed and to let her know if you are able to help. The party is at the 4-H building at the Fairgrounds on 12/13/2020 from 2:00 – 5:30.
- Commissioner Betsy McClure announced that the Commissioners is working with Mark on a new position, Contract Monitor. Mark explained that the Contract Monitor will monitor all the agency's contracted providers and making sure they are meeting expectations. This position has been needed within the agency for some time.

Motion by Gary Moser to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 A.M. Seconded by Sam Silbaugh. Motion carried.

Next meeting is scheduled for scheduled for January 12, 2021

Respectfully submitted by:
Amy Anderson, Administrative Assistant
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