

Tri-Valley Developmental Services, Inc.
Board of Director's Meeting
TVDS Administrative Office, 521 W. 35 Ch Pkwy, Chanute, KS/Zoom
June 27, 2024

Present: John McRae, Susan Jones, Anna Methvin, Connie Hey, Sharon Suske, Derrick Payne, Georgia Masterson, Jim Hogan, Rita Cornett, Angie Morrison, Lindsay Madison

Not Present: Devin Johnson, Steve Sewell, Matt Morgan, Janet Rash, Randy Lemasters

Staff Present: Bill Fiscus, Melissa Cannon-Smith, Lea Chickadonz, Tricia Campbell

Staff Not Present: Joe O'Rourke

1. Call to Order

Chair John McRae called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Motion made to adopt agenda as presented (Susan Jones/Sharon Suske). Motion passed.

3. Minutes of Last Meeting

The minutes from the May 30, 2024 meeting were presented. Motion made to approve minutes as presented (Georgia Masterson/Sharon Suske). Motion passed.

4. Treasurer's Report

VP of Administration Lea Chickadonz presented the financial report for the period ending May 31, 2024. Motion made to accept treasurer's report as presented (Rita Cornett/Sharon Suske). Motion passed.

5. Staff Reports

a. Program Report

- i. VP of Programming Melissa Cannon-Smith reported that on May 7th Tri-Valley completed its annual licensing review with the state of Kansas. We received word on Tuesday that Tri-Valley will receive a full license for all services. This is the second year in a row that we received a full license with no issues.

b. Administration Report

- i. Lea Chickadonz reported that June was open enrollment for both Supplement and health insurance for Tri-Valley staff. This year, premiums stayed the same for both health and supplemental insurances.

c. CEO Report

- i. CEO Bill Fiscus reported that Tri-Valley no longer needs a 14c subminimum wage certificate. As reported in May, all persons working in the Chanute Day Program are being paid minimum wage. The other day programs will transition to minimum wage jobs by July 1st.

- ii. VP of Operations Joe O'Rourke was unable to attend the meeting; Bill presented the operations report.
 - 1. As was mentioned during the May meeting, new concrete has been poured at the Administration building and Chanute Service Center.
 - a. The erosion issues at the Administration have been resolved.
 - b. The Chanute Service Center's front parking was deteriorating; the new concrete has fixed the issue.
 - 2. A concrete pad was poured for the new greenhouse at the Chanute Service Center. Our next step is to install the greenhouse. It is ready to be assembled.
 - 3. Three vehicles were purchased to add to the fleet.
 - 4. A replacement schedule has been developed for both HVAC and roof replacements.
 - 5. For Foundation properties, we have poured new concrete as well. Fairway has a new driveway and Jent has a new sidewalk.
 - 6. The Foundation board is in the process of purchasing a new home in either Chanute or Humboldt. It will be a three-bedroom home.

d. Friends of Tri-Valley Foundation

- i. Special Projects Coordinator Tricia Campbell reported on the Foundation's recent fundraising events.
 - 1. On June 29th, the Foundation will hold the annual Fredonia Golf Tournament. Currently, we have fifteen teams signed up with 3 corporate sponsors and 7-hole sponsors. Subway of Fredonia is catering the tournament; they are even donating 3 trays.
 - 2. We still have two more golf tournaments for 2024. The dates are:
 - a. Chanute Golf Tournament – August 10th
 - b. Fort Scott Golf Tournament – September 14th
 - 3. The 24th Annual Truck Raffle Drawing ended on Friday, June 21st when the winning ticket was drawn. The winner was Thomas Lazerus of California. We received 1,830 entries and made a profit of \$14,150. We received entries from forty-nine states; Vermont was the lone hold out. Kansas had the highest number of entries at 368, with California (139) and Texas (135) right behind.

e. CDDO Report

- i. Bill reported that the CDDOs are still in negotiation with the state on the annual contract. There are still 15 issues to work out. The CDDOs sent a group response to the state a few weeks ago. The state finally responded yesterday; they didn't like any of the proposed suggestions. Their main contention was on the 2.4% increase to be given to the CDDOs following any new allocation of waiting list dollars. The state is adamant that they do not want to include that language in the new contract. Our current contract ends on Sunday. The state is going to have to extend the current contract and the groups will go into mediation. It has been 10 years since mediation has been necessary.

6. Old Business

6.1 Eureka Service Center

During the May meeting, the status of the Eureka Service Center was discussed. It was mentioned that Eureka had two individuals who attended the day program. We are now transporting one individual to Moline daily; she is enjoying Moline a lot. The second individual has a community job in Eureka. On the days for his job, he is using a local transportation provider. The other two days, he has begun coming to Moline as well. Staff have looked at the waiting list and there is no one located in the area that wants services. It was Bill's recommendation to eliminate the Service Center. Bill and Joe have spoken to our neighbor and he is interested in purchasing the building for \$15,000. At the May meeting, it was requested that staff look at the cost savings of removing the building. We would be saving \$15,270. Randy Lemasters asked what would happen if the 2nd individual's transportation fell through. The answer was that we would start providing transportation for him; it should be a non-issue. Jim Hogan stated that he had been over the building and would be happy to be get rid of it. Motion made to close the Eureka Service Center and dispose of the building (Angie Morrison/Derrick Payne). Motion passed.

7. New Business

7.1 FY25 Budget

Bill presented the FY25 proposed budget. Of note, 2025 will be Tri-Valley's 50th anniversary as was shown in the budget. John asked us to find out if anyone from 1975 is still around. Motion made to approve FY25 budget as presented (Rita Cornett/Sharon Suske). Motion passed.

7.2 FY25 Officers

Motion made for the current slate of officers to remain for the FY25 year (Rita Cornett/Georgia Masterson). Motion passed. The officers are: Chair John McRae; Vice Chair Susan Jones; Secretary Anna Methvin; and Treasurer Steve Sewell.

8. Comments from Groups or Individuals

Jim Hogan expressed his appreciation for all the work that staff does.

9. Announcements

- The next board meeting will be August 22nd at the Administrative office.

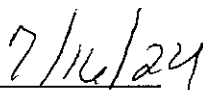
10. Adjournment

Motion made to adjourn the meeting (Connie Hey/Sharon Suske). Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,



Anna Methvin, Secretary



Date