

Minutes
Developmental Disabilities Resource Board of Directors
Finance Committee Meeting
February 26, 2019

The **Finance Committee** met on February 26, 2019 at 5:30 pm at the DDRB office. Present at the meeting were Tom Bradley, Gary Steinman, Stephen Elliott, James Gottstein and Rick White of the committee. Present were Robert Sevier, Pat Schoenrade and Sonja Bennett. Present also was Randy Hylton with VSI. The meeting was called to order by committee chairman, Tom Bradley.

The meeting was called by Tom Bradley to review the DDRB Board Reserve Policy. The current Reserve Policy is attached to these minutes. Tom reviewed the policy which was implemented in 2005 with a summation that the current policy requires that 75% or an amount equal to 9 months of the annual operating expenses be held in reserve. He reviewed the current reserve balances and submitted the following:

DDRB Reserve

2019 Budget Expenses	4,862,938.65
75% Reserve Requirement	3,647,203.99
Current Reserve (1/31/2019)	<u>3,166,000.00</u>
2019 Reserve Shortage	(481,203.99)

TCM Reserve

2019 Budget Expenses	3,100,082.00
75% Reserve Requirement	2,325,061.50
Current Reserve (1/31/2019)	<u>2,225,000.00</u>
2019 Reserve Shortage	(100,061.50)

Tom invited discussion. Randy Hylton and Steve Elliott provided insight into the history which resulted in the board implementing the policy. This included a tax receipts were not as adequate, DESE shortfall which adversely affected VSI, the building of the Kent Street office and a time when the local Ford plant was considering moving from Clay County. These concerns have since been mitigated with an increase in the tax levy, commitments by the community and Ford and funding by DESE to name a few.

Rick White expressed a concern about a “managed care” type system the state is considering implementing. Bob Sevier expressed his concern over many of the homes for our residents are aging and not necessarily ideal for people with disabilities. Rick agreed that this was a concern. James Gottstein asked Tom if we had not had our current reserve policy, would we have been able to fund the new homes we have funded in the last couple of years. Tom, Steve and Gary all agreed that we would not have been able to fund those homes.

Gary Steinman placed the following question to the Committee for vote:

“Do we want to continue with our current policy?” The Finance Committee voted unanimously to continue with our current policy and agreed that no policy change is recommended at this time.

Tom also advised the committee that the 2018 Audit was in process and should be ready for the Finance Committee to review in March with a final presentation to the board at the March 26 meeting. After the audit is completed and approved by the board it will be forwarded, as always, to the Clay County Commission and the Mo audit effort. It will be made available to the public by way of the DDRB website.

With no further business, the Finance Committee meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted: Sonja Bennett
March 1, 2019