

Minutes
Developmental Disabilities Resource Board of Directors
Services Committee Meeting
April 10, 2018

The **Services Committee** met on April 10, 2018 at 5:30 pm at the DDRB office. The meeting was called to order by Committee Chairman, Pat Schoenrade. Members of the Committee present at the meeting were Pat Schoenrade, Robert Sevier, and Alan Naylor. Steve Elliott was present via telephone. Also present were Rick White. Guests included Randy Hylton, Kimbel Mothershead of VSI and Holly Wilmes with ESMW.

Services Committee 2018 Working Plan

Pat lined out her suggestions for a working plan for the Services Committee for 2018. Her recommendation is the representative(s) from the Committee visit each agency one to two times per year on their premises. She also suggested that a representative from the agency make a short presentation to the Committee regarding their program and services. She said it would be the responsibility of the Services Committee to review and deal with any concerns that would arise.

Steve Elliott suggested that we create a template document that we could use for the purpose of noting concerns and needs. Pat agreed that this could be done and used to report back to the Board. He also said he wasn't sure that we needed to have the agencies make a presentation to the Services Committee as we were not looking to make additional work for them.

With these modifications to Pat's proposal, the Committee approved the plan and will advise the Board.

Education Program (CEADD)

Pat advised the Committee that she had met with 2 representatives from the ACED Program in Jackson County. They wanted to inquire as to the possibility of establishing a program for Platte and Clay Counties that would replace the CEADD program. They currently run programs in 3 locations in Jackson County; UMKC, Avila and Graceland. They offer their classes on Saturday mornings with 6-week sessions in the fall, spring and summer.

Steve Elliott inquired of Randy Hylton if he thought this type of program was within the scope of the SB40 Board. Randy said that if the program was accredited and taught life skills related offerings, that it would be within the scope of the SB40 Board. Rick White confirmed he felt there was a definite need for a life skills type program. And this sentiment was voiced by all present that life skills training, especially for those transitioning from home to more independent living, was very much needed. The Committee further confirmed this should be life skills, results oriented program as opposed to a recreation program. Alan suggested that, if they are interested in starting a program in Clay County, they make a formal presentation to the Services Committee. Pat will reach out to them in follow up.

VSI Meeting April 10, 2018

Pat reported that she had met with Randy, Kimbel, Sherry and Roxanne at VSI earlier in the day along with Sonja and Anita Hartman. Randy had requested the meeting to discuss to address some concerns in his program for some of the people with a diagnosis of Autism. He said that he finds the workshop is not an ideal environment for many with this diagnosis and also that that is a growing population. He was asking for tools and ideas that they could implement that would be more helpful. He said that Anita had given him some very good ideas and information and that as a result of the meeting, VSI will be making a presentation to the CHS staff to open communication and input from their perspective. He said it was a good meeting and Anita was very helpful.

With no further matters to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted: Sonja Bennett
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