



Ohio Developmental Disabilities Council
Community Living Committee

Meeting Minutes

<p><u>Vision Statement</u> People with developmental disabilities can become independent, productive, people, fully integrated and included in their communities and in the fabric of our society.</p> <p>People with developmental disabilities have the programs, services and supports needed to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be seen as people first • Achieve their full potential 	<p><u>Mission Statement</u> To identify & promote strategies approaches and resources that support adults with developmental disabilities as they choose where and with whom they wish to live... and children with developmental disabilities in safe and nurturing family settings.</p>
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LOCATION:

Crown Plaza North- Worthington
6500 Doubletree Avenue
Columbus, Ohio 43229

DATE:

March 2, 2017

Members	Present
Emilia Jackson	x
Ann Marie Denning	X

Linda Kunick	x
Heather McFarland, Chairperson	x
Rochelle Hall Rollins	x
Vicki Jenkins, DODD	X
James Plasencia	x
Jill Radler	X
Mark Seifarth	x
Joanna Spargo	x
Marcella Straughter	x
Kim Stults	X (on phone)
Jeff Turner	x
Renee Wood, Special Advisor	x
Mindy Vance	
Dara Walburn	X

Policy Analyst

Fatica Diana Ayers	X
Ken Latham	
Leslie Paull	
Paul Jarvis	X
Carla Sykes	
Kay Treanor	

Fiscal Staff

Gary Groom	X
Robin Shipp	

Executive Director

Carolyn Knight	X
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GUEST(s):

Essie Pederson with Linda

Deb Tackett & Cheryl Strohl with Jeff & James

Tina Evans, DODD

I. Call to order

A. The meeting was called to Order at 4:15 pm by Heather McFarland, Chairperson of the Community Living Committee.

B. The Chair asked everyone to introduce themselves.

II. Announcements

- A. There were no announcements.

III. Approval of December 8, 2016 Minutes

- A. Heather asked for a motion to approve the minutes.
1. Jeff Turner made a motion to approve the minutes as presented.
 2. Dara Walburn seconded the motion.
 3. Motion was carried.

IV. Public Policy Updates – Paul Jarvis

- A. Heather turned the meeting over to Paul Jarvis and below are highlights of his public policy updates he shared with the committee:
1. DODD Pipeline announced that DODD received \$122 million for the dd systems.
 2. \$260 million is projected new money.
 3. These funds will support new waivers as part of the 2 Year Plan.
 4. The funds will support Diversion /Exit Waivers.
 5. 700 new IO Waivers & 300 Self Directed Waivers to address waiting list.
 6. Includes additional funding (rate add- on) for individuals with complexed needs.
 7. The budget will provide an increase of 2.5% to ICFs by 2019.
 8. The budget has an increase for Direct Support Professionals that have a minimum of 2 years' experience and some sort of credential.
 9. Continues authority for County Boards to sell some workshops and use proceeds to provide housing.
 10. Rule says folks under the age of 22 years old can receive outlier services (e.g. ventilator services) eliminating age cap.
 11. Funding for Delegated Nursing has been included to allow nurses to tell other staff to do specific tasks and provide training,
 12. Other systems are looking at DODD funds and wanting to utilize them for their systems.
 13. There was some discussion about the transportation issue.
- B. Mark Seifarth provided a recap of the Director Martin's testimony before the sub-committee. His task was to show legislators that there is a need for Waivers.

1. One concern raised was why did the DD field need extra dollars for folks who have high needs or high behavioral & physical needs?

V. 2017 State Plan Amendment for the “Strengthening the Voices of DSPs Project:

A. Heather turned the meeting over Fatica Ayers to explain the need for the above State Plan Amendment.

B. Below are highlights of her explanation:

1. In 2015, OADSP partnered with Interhab, a provider association in Kansas to become the first “franchise” of the OADSP DSPATHS credentialing program. Interhab has exclusive rights to market and license the DSPATHS credentialing program in Kansas to providers of specialized services.
2. During the establishment of this relationship, OADSP learned that Interhab had built an online Learning Management System (LMS) that supported an on-demand digital learning library.
3. Interhab expressed that they were interested in partnering with OADSP to offer DSPATHS courses on this platform. OADSP and Interhab have worked together during 2015 to draft a project budget and timeline, whereby both entities would equally contribute resources to make this vision a reality.
4. On March 4, 2016 Council approved a \$10,000.00 increase for this project to begin developing online format for training. The first phase was the transitioning of their current DSPATHS modules into a format that is compatible with online learning software. It was estimated that the first phase of this endeavor would take two curriculum developers a combined 300 hours to complete, costing an estimated \$10,000. The first phase is completed.
5. The second phase of this activity is to ensure that the online version of the DPSATHS credentialing program can be accessed remotely via a desktop computer, laptop, tablet, and all other mobile devices, greatly increasing access to advanced training both within, and outside, of Ohio.
6. At the November 3, 2016 Grant Review the Panel recommended the following: *You may want to consider mobile ready training for folks who do not have a computer but may have a smart phone.*
7. **It is estimated that the total out of pocket expenses to produce twenty (three-hour) video modules will be \$80,000.** OADSP and *Interhab would split this cost*, recording half of the modules in Kansas and half of the modules in Ohio.

8. The first five modules will be recorded jointly in Kansas with instructors from both states. This will help ensure consistency as the project moves forward with recordings and editing being done in two separate locations (Ohio and Kansas).

9. OADSP is asking the Ohio Developmental Disabilities Council to support **OADSP's portion (\$40,000), in order to move forward with this partnership and begin production.**

C. Heather asked for any discussion and the following question were raised and Fatica follow up by providing the answers to be incorporated in these minutes:

1. How will you keep people from cheating and how will you know who is taking the test?
 - a. In regards to the questions: The modules will be online, each candidate will have their own login, and there will be interactive activities every 10-15 minutes to keep candidates engaged.
 - b. At the "end of the day" the "test" is still the candidate portfolio that they will submit to OADSP and be graded. Candidates and their skill mentors must authenticate that the portfolio represents the candidates' work.

D. Heather asked for a motion to approve the State Plan Amendment.

1. **James Plasencia made a motion to approve the State Plan Amendment for \$40,000.00.**
2. **Marcella Straughter second the motion.**
3. **The motion was approved.**

VI. Presentation on "Building Capacity through Trauma Informed Care- Tina Evans

A. Heather turned the floor over to Tina Evans who is the Regional Liaison Team Lead for the Ohio Department of DD.

B. Below are highlights her presentation and she also provided a hand-outs:

1. Community Supports, Inc., Walk of Joy, Envision Ohio, and The AMT Group are agencies in Hamilton County specializing in providing services to individuals with developmental disabilities. Each partnering agency provides various services, but the common theme with all partnering agencies is community based residential supports.
2. The four partnering agencies serve a total of 225 individuals receiving Supported Living (HPC), with approximately 40% of those individuals having Complex Support Needs*.
3. The common objective for all partnering agencies is to implement a comprehensive Trauma Informed Care Program which will increase skill sets in trauma supports and accommodate a wide range of individuals with complex support needs.
4. By broadening Trauma Informed Care supports, participating agencies will provide a more stable transition for potential clients needing residential placement in the community.
5. Funding from this grant has allowed each partner agency to hire a full time Trauma Support Facilitator (TSF) and partially fund the salary of a Trauma Support Liaison (TSL)**.
6. These positions will be the integral components to implementing a comprehensive theory to practice program for creating Biographical Timelines, developing intervention strategies, and training staff to better support individuals within each agency who have experienced trauma resulting in complex support needs.
7. The grant is also funding ongoing trainings for each agency's TSL and TSF conducted by Finding Hope Consulting. These trainings are conducted with all agency members present in order to foster a collaborative learning environment for all of our partnering agencies. Collectively the group of TSLs and TSFs from each agency have been named the Implementation Team.

8. Additionally this team meets independently from trainings to further build relationships, collaborate, and problem solve.
9. Their collaborative team of partner agencies will enter into the Intermediate Stage*** of the grant period in September 2016. Implementation Team members will begin assessing and creating Biographical Timelines for 10% of each agency's eligible individuals with ongoing support, training, and oversight from Finding Hope Consulting.

VII. Adjournment

- A. Heather asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.
 1. **Dara Walburn made a motion to adjourn.**
 2. **James Plasencia seconded the motion.**
 3. **The meeting was adjourned at 5:35 p.m.**