

OHID DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES COUNCIL

Executive Committee

December 8, 2016

Cherry Valley Lodge
2259 Cherry Valley Dr.
Newark, OH 43055

Minutes

Executive Committee Members Present: Mark Seifarth, Chair, Kim Stults, Marci Straughter, Jeff Turner, Paula Rabidoux, Neil Castilow, Heather McFarlin and Diane Cox **Executive Committee Members Absent:** Sue Willis **Other Member(s) Present:** Mindy Vance **Staff Present:** Carolyn Knight, Carla Cox, Gilbrina Dillon, Paul Jarvis, Fatica Ayers Robin Shipp and Gary Groom

Chairman Seifarth requested that the Executive Committee convene briefly to discuss a Discretionary Fund Request from the Academy for Direct Support Professionals for \$9,030.

Chairman Seifarth called the meeting to order at 5:48 p.m.

I. Discretionary Fund Requests

• Academy for Direct Support Professionals

The Academy for Direct Support Professionals (DSPs) requested \$9,030 to introduce the philosophies of character strengths, positive psychology, resilience theory and social role valorization (person centered planning) by providing training to supervisors, DSPs, administrative staff, county boards of DD, (supporters of people who have DD) people served and their family members/guardians.

A very detailed and lengthy discussion occurred regarding this request. Chairman Seifarth and Executive Committee Members were concerned with the time the request was received—December 5, 2016; only 4 days prior to the Executive Committee. In addition, the request was similar to a current funded Ohio DD Council project from the Ohio Alliance of Direct Support Professionals. Due to the two concerns of short timeline to review the request as well as the similarity to a

current grantee, Kim Stults **moved** to not accept the Academy for Direct Support Professionals (DSPs) Discretionary Fund Request for \$9,030 for funding. Jeff Turner seconded, **motion** passed.

Chairman Seifarth stated that the intent of the Discretionary Fund Grants was to support one-time initiatives specific to innovative ideas and/or creating system change.

Chairman Seifarth and committee members also discussed the timeliness of the application received. During the discussion it was determined that policy changes would be necessary for future discretionary fund requests that requests would not be considered for review by the committee if they were submitted within 10 business days. Chairman Seifarth indicated this would be discussed further at the March 2017 meeting.

Chairman Seifarth did request that a cover sheet be drafted to clarify the requests amounts for the Discretionary Funds. He stated that it is a little confusing as it currently stands. Carolyn Knight agreed to have a new cover sheet for the Committee's review in March.

Chairman Seifarth then asked for a motion to adjourn.

II. Adjournment

Neil Castilow **moved** to adjourn at 6:06p.m. Kim Stults seconded, **motion** passed.