



Meeting Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 8:05 a.m. by LCRB Chair Kathy Boessen.

Roll Call and Introduction of Guests:

Present: Kathy Boessen, Nancy Behlmann, Sheriff John Cottle, Glenda Fitzgerald, Katrina Grasshoff, Christine Heintzelman, Dr. Elaine Henderson, Melba Houston, Scott Hufty, Jim Price, Dr. Brandi Street, Cheri Winchester and Hally Wells

Absent: Margie Beckmann and Kristin Gentry

Guests: Jen Kaiser (Compass), Cathi Bornhop (F.A.C.T.), Rachel Svejkosky (F.A.C.T.), Felicia Linear (ThriVe – Best Choice), Madronica Malone (ThriVe – Best Choice), Ron Tompkins (NFN), Kim Hewlett (SJA), Cindy Dearing (PFH), Kelly Broeker (PFH), Heidi Hubbard (YIN), Kristi Machica (YIN), Amy Robins (TCC), Porscha Thorpe (TCC), Saundra Barker (SLC), Alesha White (Aviary Recovery Center), Emily Nelson (CNW), Kayla Strattman (CNW) and Lindsay Kyonka (CNW).

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made to approve the July 22, 2020 meeting minutes. (M.S.P.: Henderson, Price)

Monthly Financial Report:

Ms. Winchester reviewed several financial documents, including:

- Balance Sheet as of July 31, 2020
- Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual July 31, 2020
- Sales Tax History from 2019 to Present
- LCRB 2020 Funding Summary
- LCRB 2020 Schedule of Units

The balance of the People's Bank & Trust account on 8-25-2020 was \$338,277.49 in the Main Account and \$192,587.16 in the Money Market Account for a total balance of \$530,864.65.

The Balance Sheet as of July 31, 2020, shows \$4,641.33 in the prepaid tax match fund and \$120,000 in the LCRB Reserve Fund. Assets and equity are in balance at \$439,560.30.

A total of \$143,921.87 was received in July 2020 (131.58% of the monthly budget) and a total of \$77,790.74 (63.21% of monthly budget) was paid out in expenditures, resulting in net income of \$66,131.13.

The July 2020 sales tax revenue (deposited on 8-7-2020) was \$148,997.40 (\$47,536.26 or 46.85% more than July 2019).

In August 2020, \$61,833.46 was paid to our providers for July services. The outstanding 2020 contract commitment is \$684,323.12. The usage rate of our contracted services through July 31, 2020, was 47.51%.

A motion was made to file the financial report for audit as presented. (M.S.P.: Houston, Henderson)

Correspondence & Announcements:

- Ms. Winchester introduced Alesha (A.J.) White from **Aviary Recovery Center** in Eolia, MO. Alesha shared information about the facilities and services at The Aviary with LCRB members and other providers as part of the region's system of care. For individuals 18 and older, The Aviary provides both sober living housing and recovery services. They have a 43-bed facility at their location in Eolia, which is located north of Troy, MO. The sober living house is currently for men; however, they hope to open a house for women in the near future. Additionally, they provide residential treatment and detox. The residential facility is for both men and women, and they utilize treatments such as EMDR, CBT, and DBT in their therapeutic work and addiction counseling.

Ms. White invited LCRB members and providers to see Aviary Recovery Center during a tour scheduled for September 2, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. (The tour was postponed due to a scheduling conflict.)

- Dr. Salvo, Troy R-III Director of Social and Emotional Learning and Supports, has leveraged a best practice by which local law enforcement can communicate with the school district if a child has been involved in, witnessed,

or been impacted by an arrest or encounter with a member of law enforcement. This initiative, **Handle with Care**, will allow teachers and administrators to be informed if a student has been involved in this type of potentially traumatic event. Law enforcement personnel will complete a simple form, without giving details regarding the situation or nature of the arrest, to signal to the district to exercise extra understanding and empathy with the child.

- Ms. Winchester announced that Dr. Amy Porter was presented with the **2020 Pheeze Kemper Legacy Award**. The award was presented by LCRB representatives (Ms. Winchester, Kathy Boessen, Christine Heintzelman and Hally Wells) and members of the Kemper family with Dr. Amy Salvo also in attendance. Both the *Troy Free Press* and the *Lincoln County Journal* published articles about the honor.

D.A.R.T. Report:

No report.

Old Business:

- **LCRB FY 2021 Funding Applications**

Ms. Winchester announced that funding applications for 2021-22 have been issued and are due to the LCRB by Friday, September 25. She reminded the group that the board will only consider renewal applications this funding cycle. While the LCRB financials remain strong, despite COVID, the LCRB will continue to exercise caution and conservative estimates to ensure contractual obligations can be met should we face an economic downturn. Ms. Winchester noted that the board worked to streamline the applications, with changes in reporting and documentation noted in yellow highlight for identification.

- **CARES Act Grant Applications: CaseWorthy**

As previously announced, the LCRB was awarded \$186,562.20 in CARES Act Grant funding in July to support the mental and behavioral health needs of Lincoln County children and families due to the COVID pandemic. The funding cannot be leveraged for LCRB 2020 contractual obligations. CARES Act Grant funding must be invested, per the grant directives, by December 31, 2020, or the LCRB will have to reimburse unused grant dollars. Ms. Winchester reviewed the grant allocations, which included purchasing the HIPAA/FERPA-compliant CaseWorthy software platform to help track referrals to mental health and support services as meetings, such as inter-agency sessions to support local kids in crisis, are no longer occurring due to COVID. The goal is to reduce the risk of our high-need students and families slipping through our various systems' cracks and ensuring they can access the care and resources needed to sustain healthy kids and families. To enhance awareness of the grant and new funding/resources, Ms. Winchester created a social media campaign shared via the LCRB and Lincoln County CARES social media channels.

New Business:

- **Missouri Ethics Commission: Conflict of Interest Policy**

Kathy Boessen reported that the board's conflict of interest ordinance (sent via email in advance of the meeting) with the Missouri Ethics Commission (MEC) will expire next month. To retain the policy, the board must re-adopt the ordinance and file with the MEC.

A motion was made to re-adopt the conflict of interest ordinance and re-file the ordinance with the Missouri Ethics Commission. (M.S.P.: Fitzgerald, Hufty)

Executive Director's Report:

Ms. Winchester shared that she will email the board her complete written report at the end of the month and highlighted a few items, including:

- Ms. Winchester announced that Dr. Cynthia Berry has completed the 2020 Needs Assessment with early drafts sent to the board for review/edits before distributing broadly and linking to the LCRB website. The next step in the process is for board and community members who wish to contribute to the assessment's "Key Findings" report, under the direction of Dr. Cynthia Berry, to email Ms. Winchester for inclusion in the project.
- Ms. Winchester shared she is regularly conducting outreach to invite school, community, religious, social services, law enforcement, government leaders and decision makers to the 2020 Legislative Summit: Bridges Out of Poverty workshop. Participants may attend the virtual workshop, scheduled for Friday, September 18 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., remotely via Zoom or in person at Journey Church in Troy. The production company has assured Ms. Winchester that the quality of the program is maintained even through virtual presentation, and they have been doing programs in that manner since March. Breaks will be provided, but the luncheon will not be held

on-site this year due to COVID protocols. Guests may leave for the lunch break and Journey Church will have its café open for coffee and other purchases. Monies spent with the on-site café fund the church's various ministries.

- Ms. Winchester stated it is time to begin the 2020 fall audits. She will email providers to learn the best manner to proceed (in person, online or dropping off materials to the LCRB). Ms. Winchester will also ask the other children's services boards how they are conducting audits this fall.

Committee Reports

A. Finance Committee: None

B. Personnel Committee: Ms. Winchester reported that Mrs. Gentry and the personnel committee are continuing to work on updating the LCRB Employment Handbook to ensure the policies and guidelines for LCRB workings are current.

C. Selection & Review Committee: Mrs. Heintzelman reiterated that applications for the 2021-22 funding cycle are due at the end of September. She reminded providers to pay special attention to highlighted areas within the application, as those indicate changes or updates to the forms. Providers should contact Ms. Winchester with any questions.

Comments for the Good:

- Kim Hewlett from Sts. Joachim and Ann Care Service was pleased to announce that 106 Lincoln County students received school supplies through their supply drive.
- At the request of The Child Center's Amy Robins (who had to depart the Zoom meeting for another obligation), Porscha Thorpe thanked the LCRB and Ms. Winchester for hosting the annual Legislative Summits. Ms. Thorpe stated that the 2019 Summit provided an opportunity for Amy Robins to speak directly with Senator Riddle regarding a growing concern about some Missouri children who allege abuse but cannot receive a forensic interview.

Previously, if children did not have parental or legal guardian consent, they could not receive a forensic interview as it presented a litigious issue. If the legal guardian withheld consent, a child may be left at risk and without the support and help she/he needs. Thanks to The Child Center and Senator Riddle's summit conversation and subsequent efforts, legislation has now been passed that allows for any Missouri child who alleges abuse to have a forensic interview. The Child Center currently has three children on its caseload who would have been unable to receive a forensic interview without this legislation. The 2019 Summit provided a forum for dialogue regarding a timely and critical need, which has now been addressed, and The Child Center wanted to express their appreciation for The Summit and opportunities it affords.

- Melba Houston shared a recent initiative of Elsberry Methodist Church (EMC). In memory of EMC member Tom Seeger who recently passed away, the church has been given money to equip the building with Internet access so that Elsberry youth in grades 7-12 can have a place to work during this time of virtual education. Internet access is sometimes unavailable in rural areas or not affordable for some families. In order to provide a safe and friendly location for Elsberry students to do their school work, EMC is working to outfit its building, solicit volunteers, develop procedures, and make EMC a daily option for students in their community. Mrs. Houston shared that EMC member and Elsberry Middle School Principal Jason Miller is diligently working on this project. If anyone is interested in volunteering or other support options, please contact Melba.

Adjournment: *The meeting was adjourned at 9:01 a.m. by Kathy Boessen (M.S.P.: Houston, Hufty)*

Next Meeting: The next Lincoln County Resource Board meeting is scheduled for **8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, September 23, 2020.**

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Cheri Winchester, Executive Director