



**LINCOLN COUNTY RESOURCE BOARD**  
**Lincoln County, Missouri**

**Meeting Minutes of September 24, 2008**

**Meeting Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by David Thompson, Treasurer.

**Introductions:** The Trustees and other guests introduced themselves.

**Roll Call and Guests:** Present: Nancy Behlmann, Kathy Boessen; Dr. Donald Buenger; Margie Cappel; Kristin Gentry ; Charles Kemper; Billie Lamb; Jim Price; Carol Ricks; David Thompson; Becky Hoskins, Executive Director; and Christy Hall, Clerical Assistant.

**Guests:** Jim Wallis (PFH); Lauri Cross-Fink (CFS); Michelle Hakenewerth (TCC); Jean Thomas (PFH); Lindsey Foster (TCC); Ellen Teller (TCC); Janet Ossie (SJA)

**Absent:** Adam Burkemper, Chair; Rod Barnhill; Melba Houston; Gary Sheller.

**Approval of Minutes:** *A motion was made to approve the minutes of the August 27, 2008 meeting as printed. (M.S.P. Kemper, Buenger)*

**Financial Report:**

Becky Hoskins, Executive Director, presented the financial report. As of September 23, 2008 the LCRB had \$98,917.46 in the main account and \$575,910.92 in the money market account for a total of \$674,828.38.

Mrs. Hoskins reported that the August sales tax revenues were \$110,027.77. Our total expenditures for August 2008 were \$43,481.06. Expenditures to date were 47.64% of the budgeted amount. She reviewed the usage of units through the end of August 2008; usage was almost 50%. The funding used to date was \$688,544.20, with a remaining balance of \$610,484.80. There is \$971.00 left in the emergency fund. Mrs. Hoskins reviewed this year's budget & revenue. She went over the administrative reconciliation and budget. The Administrative expenses were \$4,285.84.

*A motion was made to approve the financial report as presented. (M.S.P. Price, Boessen.)*

**Wellness Center Report:**

Jim Wallis stated that it's business as usual at the Wellness Center. They are modernizing the phone system to an automated system. This will help with directing phone calls while the providers are busy with sessions or helping clients.

Jean Thomas stated that they are participating in the Elsberry Fall Festival this Saturday. Some of the kids will be participating with a float in the parade and doing face painting and other kids' activities. Lauri Cross-Fink also spoke about how the new phone system will help. Dr. Marks is negotiating with a psychiatrist to come out here to see patients. They are hoping to have a psychiatrist in the office by the holidays. Parenting classes will start on October 23, 2008.

### **Children's Trust Fund Report:**

Kristin Gentry stated that there was no report on the *Children's Trust Fund*.

### **Old Business:**

There was no Old Business to report.

### **New Business:**

- A. Mrs. Hoskins reviewed the Funding Proposals. There were 20 proposals (including 5 new ones) submitted for funding this year. The committee has reviewed the proposals and has made funding recommendations.
  
- B. Mrs. Boessen, Chairperson of the *Selection & Review Committee*, reported on the funding recommendations for the FY 2009. She stated that they are able to fund the people who they funded last year. They are glad to provide for the middle school and high school substance abuse prevention programs. She noted that these programs have been well received from everyone in support of the school programs. They are increasing their emergency funding. She stated they tried to be aware of what the public thought was the greatest need, which was counseling. Approximately 24% of the funding in the home/school/ community-based intervention category consists of some type of counseling services. She stated that we need to include respite care services. This will give parents and caretakers of children with special needs "a break" in care. The respite care includes 48-hours of weekend care. She gave an example of this type of use. A couple was able to attend a graduation out-of-town, while their autistic son received care in their absence. She stated the *Selection & Review Committee* recommends that LCRB fund \$1,350,000 for 2009, that includes a surplus of \$44,776.00.

Mrs. Boessen also brought up the need to hire a part-time receptionist for The Wellness Center. They want the receptionist to be well-trained and familiar with all the services and programs that are available to people who need them. They recommended hiring someone 4 days a week (32-hour work week) at \$9.50 an hour, which is approximately \$18,000 a year. Mr. Wallis stated that he thought this was a great idea and would help tremendously. Mr. Thompson said this is a good idea for people coming to the center when somebody may not be able to help them right away and then they might leave without receiving assistance. Mrs. Boessen stated that the LCRB would designate the funding for the hiring process, salary of the receptionist and renovation and furnishing of the receptionist's area.

*A motion was made to approve funding to hire and train a part-time receptionist and create a receptionist area. (M.S.P. Boessen, Price).*

Mrs. Hoskins thanked the *Selection and Review Committee* for all their hard work.

- C. Dates for the November and December have been changed to be held a week earlier than the regularly scheduled meetings due to the Thanksgiving and Christmas Holidays. The November meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 19, 2008. The December meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 17, 2008.

*A motion was made to approve the changed meeting dates for November and December 2008 to the third Wednesday of the month. (M.S.P. Boessen, Lamb).*

### **Executive Director's Report:**

- A. Mrs. Hoskins reviewed her written report.
  
- B. Mrs. Hoskins stated that the Finance Committee has approved the 2009 budget, which will be discussed at the October meeting. She also said the By-Law Committee has met. New procedures and changes will also be brought up at the October meeting. She stated that the ceiling of \$1.35 million for FY 2009 funding reflects a reduction of \$50,000 to protect against the declining sales tax revenues.

**Committee Reports:**

- A. Mr. Thompson stated that there was no further *Finance Committee* report.
- B. Mrs. Cappel reported that the *Personnel Committee* has completed Mrs. Hoskins' employee performance evaluation. She did well and it is on file.
- C. Mrs. Boessen, Chairman of the *Selection and Review Committee*, stated that the committee has completed the funding recommendations for 2009. They spent many hours reviewing everything carefully. Approximately 20 – 25 hours was spent on the funding reviews.

**Comments for the Good:**

Mrs. Hoskins mentioned placing an ad in the *Elsberry Democrat* and *Lincoln County Journal* to run every week. This ad would advertise the phone number to the *Wellness Center*, as well as other basic information to let the people know where they can go to for help.

Mrs. Gentry requested \$971.00 in the emergency fund to help out a family in *Silex* that has 5 children who lost everything in the flood.

*A motion was made to use the last of the emergency fund to help the family in Silex. (M.S.P. Boessen, Ricks)*

Mr. Wallis thanked the LCRB. It amazes him that a year ago *Lincoln County* didn't have any programs and now we're talking of expanding these programs. He stated that passing "Putting Kids First" is a model across the state of *Missouri*. The LCRB has raised the bar on how to do this.

Ellen Teller also thanked the LCRB. They have found *Lincoln County* to be a receptive community.

**Next Meeting:**

The next monthly meeting is scheduled for 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, October 22, 2008, at *Zion United Church of Christ* (Fellowship Hall on Lower Level) 725 Main Street, Troy, and MO.

**Adjournment:**

*A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 a.m. (M.S.P.: Kemper, Price)*