



**Meeting Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 8:32 a.m. at Cuivre River Electric Cooperative's Community Room by LCRB Vice Chair Melba Houston.

**Roll Call and Introduction of Guests:**

**Present:** Kathy Boessen (via Zoom), Katrina Ellis, Glenda Fitzgerald, Christine Heintzelman, Dr. Elaine Henderson (via Zoom), Melba Houston, Scott Hufty, Donna Orf, Jim Price, Cheri Winchester and Hally Wells

**Absent:** Margie Beckmann, Kristin Gentry and Sarah Lavy

**Guests:** **Attending via Zoom** Danielle Bealmear (CHN), Rachel Svejkosky (F.A.C.T.), Madronica Malone (ThriVe-Best Choice), Juv Vaughn Baker (ThriVe-Best Choice), Jaidan Adams (PreventEd), Jessica Rogalski (CNW FEP), Julie Seymore (TCAC) and Madeleine Castle (Senator Hawley's Office)

**Attending in Person:** Stacy Johns (F.A.C.T.) and Sherry Saunders (SJA)

**Approval of Minutes:** *A motion was made to approve the May 22, 2024, meeting minutes. (M.S.P.: Heintzelman, Orf)*

**Monthly Financial Report:**

Ms. Winchester reviewed several financial documents, including:

- Balance Sheet as of May 31, 2024
- Profit & Loss Budget Vs. Actual May 31, 2024
- Sales Tax History from 2023 to Present
- LCRB 2023-2024 Funding Summary
- LCRB 2023-2024 Schedule of Units

The balance of the Peoples Bank & Trust account on 06-25-24 was \$147,929.04 in the Main Checking Account; \$1,257.05 in the Money Market Accounts; and \$700,000.00 in the Certificate of Deposit. The LCRB total balance on 06-25-24 was \$849,186.09.

The Balance Sheet as of May 31, 2024, shows a balance of \$10,000 in the prepaid tax match fund and \$700,000.00, which includes the LCRB \$185,000 reserve fund, held in the LCRB certificate of deposit. Assets and equity are in balance at \$830,877.34.

A total of \$155,926.42 was received in May 2024 (123.74% of the monthly budget), and a total of \$186,406.01 (97.18% of the monthly budget) was paid out in expenditures, resulting in a net loss of \$30,479.59.

The May 2024 sales tax revenue (deposited on June 7, 2024) was \$154,135.12 (\$1,980.37 or 1.30% more than May 2023).

In June 2024, \$123,284.63 was paid to our providers for May 2024 services. The outstanding 2023-2024 contract commitment is \$334,665.65 (for the contract term of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024). The usage rate of our contracted services through May 31, 2024 is 81.78%.

*A motion was made to approve the monthly financial reports for audit as printed, submitted, and explained. (M.S.P.: Price, Heintzelman)*

**Correspondence & Announcements:**

- Harvester Christian Church (HCC) in Troy hosts a quarterly event called "Buddy Break." Buddy Break offers free respite care for children with special needs. The children, along with their siblings, can participate in a variety of activities with trained adults while their parents enjoy a caregiver break. The next Buddy Break is scheduled for Saturday, August 10, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Families should register ahead of time. Ms. Winchester circulated the flyer and will share it in LCRB's monthly newsletter.

- Katrina McDonald, Executive Vice President of Corporate Services, with Compass Health Network wrote a thank-you note to the LCRB in response to the LCRB's contract cycle 2024-25 funding allocations. Ms. Winchester shared the note with board members.
- Kimberly Weakley, HUB 22 Director, attended the June 20 Early Childhood Task Force meeting. She shared a resource flyer that provides contact numbers for locating a Community Support Specialist, as well as two QR codes to connect families to childcare providers and family resources. Kimberly encourages providers to check those QR codes and confirm that their agencies are listed. If they are not, please add your provider information to those resource lists. Ms. Winchester circulated the flyer and shared the information in the LCRB's e-newsletter.
- Ms. Winchester shared that Sheila Battin, a reporter for the *Lincoln County Journal*, reached out regarding the recently released 2024 Kids Count® Data Book, which provides state trends in child well-being. The report ranks Missouri 32<sup>nd</sup> in overall child wellbeing. Ms. Winchester provided a statement.

#### Old Business:

- LCRB CY 2024-25 Contracts and Clinical Outcomes Agreements
  - Ms. Winchester and Hally Wells have distributed all 2024-25 contracts and clinical outcomes agreements to funded providers. Ms. Winchester has issued reminders to the few agencies that have not returned their signed agreements.
- July LCRB Meeting
  - Ms. Winchester advised board members that the LCRB Finance Committee will conduct an e-meeting for the month of July, reviewing financials only. In accordance with the LCRB bylaws, which does not require the LCRB to hold public meetings 12 times per year, Ms. Winchester asked board members of their availability to meet in July to ensure quorum.

*A motion was made to cancel July's LCRB monthly meeting due to schedule conflicts. The board will review and approve July's financials via email, reconvening in August at the regular meeting date and time. (M.S.P.: Heintzelman, Hufty)*

#### New Business:

- LCRB Reports
  - Dr. Cynthia Berry has completed the **LCRB's End-of-school-year Assessment**, following surveys from school administrators, counselors, social workers and classroom teachers. This year's report is based on feedback from 50 Lincoln County school personnel from public and private schools. Ms. Winchester has posted the public report on the LCRB's website and will highlight findings on social media. The confidential report has been distributed to LCRB trustees with agency micro-reports issued to LCRB-funded providers.
  - Ms. Winchester emailed LCRB-funded providers a PDF and link to the annual **End-of-contract-cycle Provider Report of Outcomes**. Surveys are due to the LCRB by Fri., August 2. Findings will be shared with the community.

#### Executive Director's Report:

Ms. Winchester stated that she will email the board her completed written report and highlighted several items, including:

Ms. Winchester gave an update on **C.A.N. (Child Abuse and Neglect) Plan initiatives**. The second C.A.N. Plan meeting was held on Wednesday, June 12, with strong attendance from all multi-disciplinary team (MDT) partner agencies. Representatives from law enforcement, Lincoln County Prosecuting Attorney's Office, The Child Advocacy Center, Crisis Nursery, Children's Division, Juvenile Office, the LCRB, and circuit judges and Dr. Cynthia Berry (via Zoom) participated.

- During the meeting, Dr. Berry reviewed qualitative survey findings and the subsequent research and training reports she's developed based on MDT members' needs and feedback, including:
  - Missouri Department of Social Services/Children's Division's Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2023
  - Lincoln County Prevention Assessment, analyzing two neighboring counties both with children's services funds and identical prevention programming, Lincoln (8.43 substantiated child abuse and neglect cases per 1,000 children) and St. Charles (2.06 substantiated child abuse and neglect cases per 1,000 children). *The assessment determined Lincoln County's prevention efforts are not responsible for the higher incidents of substantiated child abuse cases.*
  - Educational and training resources for MDT members (provided to MDT members via a created Google Drive)
  - C.A.N. Plan Qualitative Assessment with a June prioritization survey underway

- Early research findings and discussions by MDT members highlighted a growing need for juror education. The LCRB has recently updated its digital billboard off Highway 47 in Troy to address this need, driving constituents to the Justice for Kids Lincoln County Facebook page for timely messaging to educate jurors when facing crimes against children.
- The next C.A.N. Plan meeting will take place in August. At that time, Dr. Berry will present findings from the current prioritization survey and data from the quantitative assessment, which will build the foundation for the community action plan.

With approval from Finance Committee and an expressed interest from Troy R-III, Ms. Winchester is conducting outreach to Lincoln County's public-school districts to gauge interest and availability to participate in a January 2025 **Emotional Poverty workshop**. In August 2023, the LCRB funded three Emotional Poverty keynote presentations by Dr. Ruby Payne for all Lincoln County public and private school personnel. The January workshop(s) would provide a forum for more in-depth and ongoing research and studies into the subject of emotional poverty and its impact on classroom instruction, student behaviors and the educational experience.

Hally Wells has scheduled three **CaseWorthy training sessions for August**; she will train one or more individuals on August 7, 8, and 15. LCRB-funded providers are contractually required to utilize CaseWorthy for referrals and enrollments as designated by the LCRB.

The **Early Childhood Taskforce's 2024 Shower of Love Campaign** has concluded.

- This year's Shower of Love sponsors included Mercy Hospital Lincoln and the Bank of Old Monroe. Mercy held an employee drive, donating 5,390 diapers, 34 packages of wipes and other critical baby care items. Bank of Old Monroe employees offered monetary donations with a bank matching contribution, raising a total of \$4,000 for Shower of Love. Shower of Love currently holds a balance (monies are kept in the Public Health Fund and allocated and tracked by the LCRB as needed) of more than \$6,300. These funds are used regularly by Lincoln County providers to meet basic safety needs and provide one-time assistance on electric bills, rent, car repairs, prescriptions, and more to reduce family stressors that heighten risks of child abuse and neglect.
- Early Childhood Taskforce members will host a table at the Lincoln County Fair commercial exhibitor hall on Tuesday, July 9 from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. Partner providers will engage with families to share information and resources that can support the health, education and wellbeing of Lincoln County kids.

#### **Committee Reports:**

- A. Finance Committee: None
- B. Personnel Committee: None
- C. Selection & Review Committee: None

#### **Comments for the Good:**

Ms. Winchester invited guests to share announcements or comments.

- Julie Seymore from The Child Advocacy Center announced that the agency's new [Problematic Sexualized Behavior Program](#) has just graduated its first three youth. The program, developed for kids 7-12, includes group counseling components and parental/caregiver engagement. Referrals may be made through the advocacy center's website or by phone.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 9:31 a.m. by Melba Houston. *(M.S.P.: Hufty, Heintzelman)*

**Next Meeting:** The next Lincoln County Resource Board meeting is scheduled for **8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, August 28, 2024 via Zoom and in-person at Cuivre River Electric Cooperative's Community Room**, located at 1112 East Cherry Street, Troy, MO, 63379. **There will be no July meeting.**

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Cheri Winchester, Executive Director