

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Present:	Chair: Greg Meyer Vice Chair: George Zaske, Sydney Badeau, Barbara Beckert, Gail Bovy, Kevin Coughlin, Pam Delap, Anna Eggebrecht, Patrick Friedrich, Cheryl Funmaker, Desi Kluth, Ashley Mathy, Stephenie Mlodzik, Daniel Parker, Hector Portillo, Nathan Ruffolo, Andy Thain, Tricia Thompson, Kelly Weyer, Chris Wood, Felicia Clayborne, Iris Jacobson, Marcia Perkins, Julie Strenn,
Absent:	Kedibonye Carpenter, Houa Yang, Jocelyn Osborne, Amy Whitehead,
Staff Present:	Fil Clissa, Molly Cooney, Natasha Fahey-Flynn, Jeremy Gundlach, Sally Flaschberger, Tami Jackson, Kaitlin McNamara, Jennifer Neugart, Beth Swedeen

Chair Greg Meyer called the meeting to order at 1:06 PM.

1. Chair Report:

- Chair Meyer updated the committee on the May board meeting planning and continued in-person meeting options.

2. Executive Director Report:

- ED Beth Swedeen reported:
- July board meeting will be hybrid
- In person retreat will be in September 21-22 at the Green Lake conference center in Green Lake. It will not be a hybrid meeting.
- BPDD has materials for Supported Decision Making and the Self-Determination Conference. SDM materials are in English, Spanish and Hmong. BPDD also can provide voting materials.
- SDC dates Oct 17-19 at the Kalahari in the Wisconsin Dells
- BPDD has received \$94,000 from ACL to build public health capacity. BPDD will be working on Lead awareness and prevention mostly in the Milwaukee area
- BPDD has used the additional covid funds and is assisting Waisman in spending their covid funds
- PwB grants are currently posted, closes June 17
- Sparks and Partners will open in June

3. Financial Report:

- Beth Swedeen updated the board on current financials. Beth noted that the national organization to increase our funding.

4. Executive Committee Report:

- Greg reported that all meetings moving forward will be hybrid. He also indicated the importance of being in person for the September Retreat.
- Committee discussed which board members will be going to DC to represent the board at the National meeting
- The July Milwaukee meeting will start back up again in 2023

5. Diversity Committee Report:

- Chair Andy stated that the group is working on DEI statement to add to the Board mission/purpose statements. There will be something soon that will be in front of the entire board for a vote

6. **Action Items:**

Motion to accept the March 2022 minutes made by Chris Wood and seconded by Marcia Perkins. The motion passed unanimously.

7. **Agency Updates:**

DRW:

- [DVC update](#)
- [DVC & LWV Make Your Plan to Vote](#)

DPI – [See Attached](#)

DHS- [See Attached](#)

Waisman- No updates

DWD-

- DVR has implemented the Career Pathways Grant. WI DVR, DWD received 14 million grant over a 5 year period, and need to enroll 500 individuals.
 - For the grant the career pathways focus is in the following 4 stem areas: healthcare, manufacturing, construction, and digital technology.
 - Enrollment will be done by outreach to previous consumers closed in one of the 4 identified career categories who are interested in advancing their employment as well as outreach to potential and current consumers.
 - Training will be provided to DVR staff and partners to increase understanding of career pathways and awareness of local and regional resources including apprenticeships.
- Working on recruiting staff to fill vacancies.
- Have service provider capacity needs in areas of the state for job coaching, supported employment and other service areas.
- We have met our Federal Measurable Skills Gain goal of 41% of all individuals pursuing a new skill gain, weather through secondary, post-secondary successful grades or OJT, attained it.
- We are in the midst of many Project SEARCH graduations, which is an exciting time of year. Due to the pandemic, 20 of 30 contracted sites were able to continue the program last year, and 25 operated during the 2021-22 school year.

Motion to adjourn Greg Meyer at 1:38 PM; seconded by Marcia Perkins. Unanimously passed.