

MINUTES OF MEETING
BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SERVICES
February 8, 2007
Conway, Arkansas

A regular meeting of the Board of Developmental Disabilities Services (DDS) was held on February 8, 2007 at the Conway Human Development Center (CHDC) in Conway, Arkansas. The meeting convened at 10:30 a.m. pursuant to the call of the Board Chair.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dr. Wesley Kluck, Mr. Luke Heffley, Ms. Suzann McCommon and Mr. Thomas Dolislager.

STAFF PRESENT: Dr. Charlie Green, Ms. Margo Green, Ms. Shelley Lee, Mr. Calvin Price, Mr. Forrest Steele, Ms. Judy Adams, Ms. Marilyn Junyor, Ms. Dorothy Moudy, Ms. Gail Miller, Ms. Kathy Guffey, and Ms. Donna Madden.

OTHERS PRESENT: Dr. Grover Evans; Mr. Larry Taylor; Ms. Susan Pierce; and Ms. Lori Freno, Attorney General's Office.

Dr. Wesley Kluck, Board Chair, called the meeting to order.

Dr. Kluck asked for a motion on the minutes from the November 2, 2006 regular meeting of the Board of DDS.

Mr. Thomas Dolislager made a motion the minutes from the November 2, 2006 regular meeting of the Board of DDS be approved. Ms. Suzann McCommon seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Kluck invited anyone attending the meeting who would like to address the Board to do so; no one addressed the Board at this time.

Mr. Luke Heffley presented the calendar year 2007 Board reimbursement methodology for Board approval. (A copy of the methodology is an attachment to the February 8, 2007 Board meeting minutes.)

Mr. Heffley made a motion the methodology be approved. Mr. Thomas Dolislager seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

The Physical Management and Administrative Services Subcommittees had no reports.

Mr. Forrest Steele, Jonesboro Human Development Center (JHDC) Superintendent, presented the report for the human development centers and the report consisted of items of interest about each HDC as provided to Mr. Steele by each Superintendent.

Dr. Charlie Green provided the Division Director's report. Dr. Green thanked Mr. Calvin Price, Conway HDC (CHDC) Superintendent, and the CHDC staff for hosting the Board meeting, and he thanked Ms. Marilyn Junyor for serving as the Interim Superintendent at the Alexander HDC (AIHDC) until a new Superintendent is hired. Dr. Green's report included comments on the following: AIHDC Superintendent interview process; all HDCs presently being accredited for the maximum three years awarded by CARF (Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities); Division's budget and federal match rate; meeting with HDC parents. Dr. Green responded to questioning regarding HDC residents with a dual diagnosis.

Mr. Larry Taylor, President of the statewide HDC parent group, addressed the Board. Mr. Taylor commented on Dr. Green meeting with HDC parents and thanked Dr. Green for meeting with the parents. Mr. Taylor informed the Board about concerns being expressed by parents of HDC residents.

Dr. Charlie Green continued the Division Director's report and informed the Board that Dr. Larry Davis had resigned from the Board and Ms. Kay Barnes had completed her term on the Board and would not be requesting re-appointment.

Ms. McCommon commented that she felt, in the best interest of persons residing at the HDCs, appointments to replace Dr. Davis and Ms. Barnes on the Board needed to be parents or guardians of HDC residents.

Dr. Kluck announced the next Board meeting was tentatively set for Thursday, May 10, 2007.

Mr. Thomas Dolislager made a motion the meeting adjourn. Mr. Heffley seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

ATTEST:

Executive Secretary

Dr. Wesley Kluck, Board Chair
Board of Developmental Disabilities Services

Attachment: Copy of Board's 2007 Calendar Year Reimbursement Methodology

