

**MINUTES OF MEETING**  
**BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SERVICES**  
**April 11, 2008**  
**Little Rock, Arkansas**

A called meeting of the Board of Developmental Disabilities Services (DDS) was held on April 11, 2008 by conference call originating in the DDS Director's conference room in the Donaghey Plaza North Building in Little Rock, Arkansas. The meeting convened at 2:00 p.m. pursuant to the call of the Board Chair.

MEMBERS PARTICIPATING: Mr. Thomas Dolislager, Mr. Luke Heffley, Mr. Ron Carmack, Dr. Wesley Kluck, Ms. Suzann McCommon, Ms. Sally Hardin and Mr. David Rosegrant.

STAFF PRESENT: Dr. Charlie Green, Mr. Dale Woodall and Ms. Yvette Swift.

OTHERS PRESENT: Ms. Rita Hoover; Ms. Carole Sherman; Ms. Amy Ford, Attorney General's Office, and Ms. Charlotte Tubbs, Arkansas Democrat Gazette.

Mr. Thomas Dolislager, Board Chair, called the meeting to order.

Mr. Dolislager briefly commented on the purpose for the called meeting and requested Dr. Charlie Green provide more in-depth information on the meeting's purpose. Dr. Green's information included the following: brief history of the land adjacent to the Booneville Human Development Center (BHDC) campus involved with the purpose for the meeting, including land sold to the Boy Scouts of America with minerals rights retained by the agency; notification from the Commissioner of State Lands of interest regarding drilling for natural gas on the portion of land owned by the Boy Scouts; information provided at the last Board meeting by Mr. Dale Woodall regarding a change made by the Commissioner of State Lands' office in the process by which the Board votes to allow/disallow bidding for mineral rights; Attorney General's (AG) opinion obtained as requested by Ms. Suzann McCommon at the last Board meeting and the AG's opinion stating the Board retains the right of approval with regard to issues involving mineral rights but the Commissioner of State Lands' office determines at what point in the process the Board exercises this right.

The purpose for the present called meeting was stated as being for the Board to determine whether to accept the proposal on the minimum royalties and allow the Boy Scouts to move ahead. Discussion was held, to include the following: interest in the land; exact location of the proposed drilling; results to be realized if gas were discovered on the land. Ms. McCommon made a motion to follow the Land Commissioner's proposal. Following additional questions and discussion, which included the research ability of the Land Commissioner's office to assure appropriate minimum bids, Dr. Wesley Kluck seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Executive Secretary

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Thomas Dolislager, Board Chair  
Board of Developmental Disabilities Services

