

MINUTES OF MEETING
BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SERVICES
October 4, 2019
DDS Central Office
Little Rock, Arkansas

The called meeting of the Board of Developmental Disabilities Services (DDS) was held October 4, 2019 at the DDS Central Office via conference call. The meeting convened at 11:30 a.m. pursuant to the call of the Board Chair.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Board Chair Darrell Pickney, Suzann McCommon, David Rosegrant, Artie Jones and Sally Hardin.

STAFF PRESENT: DDS Director Melissa Stone, Jeff Gonyea, Steve Farmer, Mark Wargo, Sarah Murphy, Tammy Benbrook, Avis Lane, Dale Woodall, Thomas Tarpley, Bryan Redditt, and Simone Blagg.

OTHERS PRESENT: Jan Fortney, Andy Davis of the Arkansas Democrat Gazette and Attorney General Representative Sara Farris.

Ms. Stone introduced new DDS CFO Brian Redditt and turned the meeting over to Ms. Blagg to discuss the sale of Conway Human Development Center property to the Department of Transportation. Ms. Blagg advised the revised contract agreed to the sale totaling \$8350 in addition to \$475 for the temporary easement. Ms. Blagg further advised \$2000 from the sale will be utilized to have the electrical pole moved from the area in question. Coulson Oil agreed to accept a price deemed fair by the Board and Ms. Blagg advised that price to be \$1216.51. A motion was made by Ms. McCommon to approve the proposal. Mr. Rosegrant seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Mr. Pickney requested guidance regarding completion of the W-9 associated with the property sale. Following discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Rosegrant giving authority to Mr. Tarpley or Ms. Stone to complete the W-9 on behalf of the Board. Ms. McCommon seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Following discussion regarding signatures on related paperwork and the final contract, a motion was made by Mr. Pickney designating Mr. Tarpley or Ms. Stone to sign documents with the Department of Transportation and Coulson Oil on behalf of the Board based on the figures discussed. Ms. Hardin seconded the motion which passed unanimously.


Mr. Pickney advised the November 6th Board meeting will be held at the Jonesboro Human Development Center. Ms. Stone advised the Public Health meeting will be held October 7th at JHDC. Mr. Tarpley and Ms. Benbrook will be in attendance on her behalf.

Mr. Pickney called for a motion for the meeting to be adjourned. Mr. Rosegrant made the motion. Ms. Hardin seconded the motion which passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 11:43 a.m.

ATTEST:



Executive Secretary



Mr. Darrell Pickney, Chair, Board of DDS