

Community Action Agency of Siouxland
Board of Directors Meeting
October 15, 2020

Board Members Present:

Harlan Salvatori
Tina Young
Erika Fuentes
Erica Brown
Tito Parker
Sally Hartley
Heidi Nelson
Mark Monson
Justin Wright
Rachelle Green
Ron Engle
Pastor Sheryl Ashley
David Dawson
Dr. Robert Dunker
Coretta Mitchell
Trisha Etringer

Excused:

Shelly Sorensen
Catie Newman

Absent:

Norma DeLaO

Staff Present:

Jean Logan
Scot Orban
Kim Wilson
Rachael Ostermyer
Andy Brown
Caroline Gomez

Harlan Salvatori, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m. via zoom. Roll call was taken with sixteen members present.

David Dawson moved and Mark Monson seconded to approve the Board meeting minutes and Personnel & Finance Committee minutes of September 17, 2020. Motion carried.

Jean added to her Executive Director's report that Antoinette Green, our Assistant Community Services Director, has been promoted to the Community Services Director. Jean received a call from Nodland School that they will be holding a food drive for our agency sometime after Thanksgiving.

A motion was made by Tito Parker, seconded by Mark Monson, to approve the Board Treasurer's Report of September, 2020. Motion carried.

Rachael had nothing to report from the Policy Council – they did not have a quorum last month and the October meeting is next Monday which new parents will be able to attend.

There was no Old Business.

New Business: (Personnel & Finance met prior to the meeting to discuss/take action on the Agenda items.

LIHEAP-21-18:

P&F moved and Tito Parker seconded to retroactively approve the Executive Director and Board Chair signing LIHEAP-21-18 in the amount of \$105,232. Jean mentioned that this is the start-up money for the energy assistance program. Motion carried.

MIECHV:

P&F moved and Mark Monson seconded to retroactively approve the Executive Director and Board Chair signing the MIECHV Agreement with SDHD in the amount of \$180,499. This is for the Home Visitation program. Motion carried.

COVID-19 Grant:

A motion was made in P&F, seconded by David Dawson, to retroactively approve submission of a MRHD COVID-19 Emergency Grant in the amount of \$25,000 for Welcome Home. Jean advised the board that we did not receive this grant. Motion carried.

Head Start Enrollment:

Enrollment for Head Start, Early Head Start Homebase and Early Head Start expansion was included in the board packet, so moved to approve by Rachelle Green and seconded by Tito Parker. Rachael mentioned that due to the pandemic, our classroom size has been reduced, but we need approximately 85 children to be fully enrolled. Motion carried.

Crop Walk:

For information only, there will be no actual walk for Crop Walk this year. It will be done virtually and some have decided to have a car parade. Our agency does have a team and you can donate online or donate food to the agency. HyVee is also helping by taking donations. Of the money raised here in Siouxland, the agency receives ¼ of the funds. The Morningside men's and women's soccer teams are actually walking right now and Kim had to leave to greet them at the door.

Siouxland Sleep Out:

This year's Siouxland Sleep Out is scheduled for November 6th. There will be silent auction items which will be on display the week before.

FaDSS Report:

The FaDSS report was included in the packet for information. Jean mentioned that we have a caseload of 40 families. We are developing a strong relationship with Rosecrance.

Carry-In:

COVID Response:

P&F moved and Mark Monson seconded to approve the Executive Director signing an agreement with Iowa Economic Development Authority in the amount of \$10,800 for COVID response and recovery work. Jean mentioned she received this agreement by email. Motion carried.

Other New Business:

Kim reported that we raised approximately \$3,000 from Siouxland Big Give. Mark commented that the agency now has a buzzer on the door and, rather than the Receptionist walking over to let someone in, she can just buzz them in or ask how we can assist.

Adjournment:

Tito Parker moved and Tina Young seconded to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.



Harlan Salvatori, Board Chair