

Community Action Agency of Siouxland  
Board of Directors Meeting  
August 16, 2018

**Board Members Present:**

Tito Parker  
Tina Young  
Todd Roerig  
Brandi Smith  
Kevin Grieme  
Mark Monson  
Shelly Sorensen  
Rocky De Witt  
Ron Engle  
Harlan Salvatori  
Pastor Sheryl Ashley  
David Dawson  
Dr. Robert Dunker  
Coretta Mitchell (Phone &  
then present)

**Excused:**

Erica McWell  
Kelly Adams  
Sally Hartley  
Jodi Sigler  
Marissa Cumings  
Norma DeLaO

**Staff Present:**

Jean Logan  
Scot Orban  
LaRae Lyons  
Rachael Ostermyer  
Vicky Hollingshead  
Christy Beatty  
Alice Mollet  
Antoinette Green  
Caroline Gomez

Tito Parker, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m. Roll call was taken with thirteen members present and one joining by phone.

Kevin Grieme made a motion, seconded by Sheryl Ashley, to approve the Board meeting minutes and Personnel & Finance Committee minutes of July 19, 2018. Motion carried.

Jean Logan, Executive Director commented on the following:

- Siouxland Federal Credit Union presented us with a check of over \$1600 collected from their jeans day to be used for women's products, food bank, diapers & baby products, building fund
- An 11-year old girl gave us over \$160 she raised selling bracelets she made
- Convoy of Hope is September 15<sup>th</sup> at Cook Park; our agency will have an informational table and anyone is welcome to volunteer
- Welcome Home received checks in the amount of \$60 and \$20 in honor of Marvin & Zena Berenstein's 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary
- Our Head Start/Early Head Start program received approval for the air conditioner at English and for the COLA
- The environmental testing has started on the property discussed last month
- A Girl Scout troop has started a Lending Library project which was on display and will be placed at the Centers

A motion was made by David Dawson and seconded by Kevin Grieme to approve the Board Treasurer's report of July, 2018. Motion carried.

Brandi Smith mentioned that there was no Policy Council meeting last month and their meeting for August is next week. There will be a report at the September meeting.

## **Old Business:**

### **Bylaws:**

David Dawson reviewed the Bylaws which all Board members received, showing his recommendations as strike-outs or in red. Changes were minor and in verbiage only. Harlan Salvatori made a motion to approve the Bylaws as revised with Sheryl Ashley making the second. Motion carried with a two-thirds favorable vote of 14.

**New Business:** The Personnel & Finance Committee (P&F) reviewed/took action on the agenda items.

### **2017-18 Gold Outcomes Checkpoint 3:**

Christie reviewed the final outcomes for the 2017-18 school year, including the school readiness goals for the different age groups of birth to age 1, age 1-2, age 2-3, 3 year olds and 4 year olds in the home visiting subgroups and the center-based subgroups. She added that this year staff will attend a half day training on how to handle behaviors in the classroom.

### **Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP):**

P&F moved and David Dawson seconded to retroactively approve submission of the SCSEP budget in the amount of \$305,721 and the Executive Director signing the Sponsor Agreement dated 7/1/18-6/30/19. Motion carried.

### **Maternal, Infant, Early Childhood Home Visitation Grant (MIECHV):**

A motion was made in P&F, seconded by Tina Young, to approve submission of the MIECHV budget to SHIP in the amount of \$128,190.00. Motion carried.

### **Administration/Community Services/Building Budgets:**

Detailed budgets for Administration/Community Services/Building were reviewed by P&F and a summary of the budgets was given to the full Board. P&F moved and Mark Monson seconded to approve the budgets for the 2018-2019 Fiscal Year. Motion carried.

### **MRHD Grant:**

Jean Logan explained the improvements needed on the Isabelle Sloan parking lot to make it safer for the children being dropped off for school and also to allow an open lane for emergency vehicles if needed. A motion was made by P&F, seconded by Brandi Smith, to approve submission of a grant request to MRHD for parking lot improvements at the Isabelle Sloan building. Motion carried with Mark Monson abstaining.

### **Crossroads:**

An email was sent to all Board members explaining the situation about applying for HUD funding for Crossroads. Jean Logan, Alice Mollet, Antoinette Green and LaRae Lyons joined in discussion about how HUD has changed the application process for housing. They are eliminating all transitional housing and are focusing on Rapid Rehousing and Permanent Supportive Housing. Someone could come to the door who is homeless but because of Coordinated Entry, an assessment needs to be done so we are not able to help people on a timely basis. Many times families with children who are working and struggling to make it, are left without assistance because someone else may score higher due to other circumstances. No longer will we be able to set up house rules or offer supportive services to help with self-sufficiency. Jean mentioned that plans are to stay open until the end of the program year; she will keep Board members informed.

**Argosy/Belle:**

Jean gave an update on the Argosy lawsuit. She thanked David Dawson for his legal advice and Tito Parker for joining in on discussions and emails. Tito commended Jean for taking the lead in this lawsuit and David for all his work.

**District 4 Vacancy:**

The District 4 seat of our Elected representatives is vacant. Jean passed around a map showing the area of District 4. Tito Parker asked for a committee to oversee the election process for which Brandi Smith, Ron Engle and Tito volunteered.

**Other New Business: None**

**Adjournment:**

Harlan Salvatori moved and Rocky De Witt seconded to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.



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Tito Parker, Board Chair