

Tri-Valley Developmental Services, Inc.
Board of Director's Meeting
TVDS Administrative Office, 521 W. 35 Ch Pkwy, Chanute, KS;
Zoom
October 27, 2022

Present: John McRae, Susan Jones, Sharon Suske, Jim Hogan, Van Bettega, Derrick Payne, Lindsay Madison, Angie Morrison, Janet Rash, Connie Hey

Not Present: Karen Vallier, Steve Sewell, Devin Johnson, Anna Methvin, Rita Cornett,

Staff Present: Bill Fiscus, Joe O'Rourke, Rachel Crigger, Tricia Campbell, Lea Chickadonz

1. Call to Order

Chair John McRae called the meeting to order at 6:10 pm.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Motion made to adopt agenda as presented (Van Bettega/Sharon Suske). Motion passed.

3. Minutes of Last Meeting

The minutes from the August 25, 2022 meeting were presented. Motion made to approve minutes as presented (Derrick Payne/Angie Morrison). Motion passed.

4. Treasurer's Report

CEO Bill Fiscus presented the financial report for the period ending September 30, 2022. Motion made to approve financial report as presented (Sharon/Connie Hey). Motion passed.

5. Staff Reports

A. CEO Report

- I. Bill updated the board on InterHab's legislative platform for 2023 session. Originally, they were looking at lobbying for another rate increase. They have since decided to look at asking for an annual increase to meet cost of living changes. They will still ask for a TCM rate increase.
- II. Tri-Valley received \$100,000 from the KDADS Workforce Incentive Fund. The money is going to staff in the form of either a retention or recruitment bonus. We have until January to spend the money.
- III. The field work for the FY22 financial audit is completed. Overall, the audit went well. The audit will be presented at the next board meeting, December 15th.
- IV. Earlier in the year, a client passed away during a choking incident. The Kansas Attorney General's office has opened up an investigation. Our insurance company has retained an attorney. Kurt Kluin is being kept in the loop. So far, we have only had to provide documentation.

B. Program Report

- I. VP of Programming Rachel Crigger updated the board on COVID. At the August meeting, a request was made about the number of positive cases for vaccinated versus unvaccinated. Of our positive cases, 37% were vaccinated versus 63% that were unvaccinated. The RN is working to get staff and clients the most recent booster. WE will either have clinics or have a location for staff and clients to go for

their booster. We had a little surge in Chanute this week. We did not close and continue to monitor and test.

- II. Our staff vacancies continue to improve. We are down to 22 openings.
- III. Rachel announced her resignation to become effective on February 3rd. She thanked the board for the opportunity to work with the staff and clients of Tri-Valley.

C. Operations Report

- I. VP of Operations Joe O'Rourke reported on an HVAC issue at the Nedesha Service Center. The unit that was installed in 1997 has stopped working; we replaced a compressor last year. We have asked for bids; the cost to replace should run from \$30,000 to \$40,000.
- II. Joe is looking at the heating/cooling units for all buildings. We have several units that are pushing 20+ years and may need replaced.
- III. The Fort Scott bailer is doing great. We had a few issues to work out, but everything is working fine now. Paper prices are the best they have been in 25 years.
- IV. Joe asked for input from other agencies across the state on natural gas conversion. There was no response to the request.
- V. Last week, Joe accepted a grant check from the Fort Scott Community Foundation. Tri-Valley was one of 26 agencies to receive funding. We will use our \$1,000 grant to purchase an electric sit to stand lift. We are excited about the funding.

D. Friends of Tri-Valley Foundation

- I. The Fort Scott Golf Tournament was held on September 10th. Nineteen teams played. We had eighteen-hole sponsors, two corporate sponsors, and thirteen door prize sponsors. Niece Products of Fort Scott donated a Kansas City Chiefs fire pit that was auctioned off following the tournament. Between the sponsorships, teams, and hold games, we are projecting a profit of \$3,542.30.
The winners were: A Flight 1st Place went to the team of Tarrell Vann, Danny Brown, Jarod Brad, and Tim Bradbury; A Flight 2nd Place went to the team of Michael Harper, Shawn Marshall, Travis Schilling, and Chris Harper; B Flight 1st Place went to the team of Trentyn Moore, Tim Moore, Brett Scott, and Mark Bruder; and B Flight 2nd Place went to the team of Dustin Hall, Matt Wheeler, Clint Lawrence, and Ryan; C Flight 1st Place went to the team of Wally Maples, Mike Prince, Jake Scott, and Michael Hatcher; and C Flight 2nd place went to the team of Marcus Alexander, Michael Alexander, Larry Alexander, and Landon Bennett. Along with the two flights, prizes were handed out for the Longest Drive which went to Steve Sewell and Closest to the Pin which went to Dustin Fowler.
- II. Dates have been set for the 2023 fundraisers. Cruise Night will be April 18th at Central Park Pavilion in Chanute, KS. The dates and locations for the golf tournaments are as follows: June 17th – Erie; and September 16th - Fort Scott. Tricia is waiting to hear back from Stone Creek Golf Course in Chanute and the Fredonia Golf Club. We are looking at dates in August for Chanute and July for Fredonia. The Annual truck drawing is going well.
- III. The truck drawing is going well. We have sent out our 3rd mailing and have received 155 entries. Production on the truck is set for November.

IV. The annual poinsettia and holiday card fundraisers have begun. We are selling poinsettias in Chautauqua, Elk, Greenwood, and Wilson Counties. Delivery dates will be November 21st and December 12th. All funds raised go to the Service Center Day Programs in Chanute, Eureka, Fort Scott, Iola, Moline, and Neodesha. So far, we have sold 26 sets of holiday cards.

E. CDDO Report

Bill reported that it has been seven months since changes were made to the CDDO structure. Things have gone well. Tier rates continue to trend upwards.

6. Old Business

6.1 Policy Review

At the August meeting, the board reviewed a proposed policy on property damage reimbursement. Kurt Kluin has reviewed the draft and has made a few suggestions. It was his suggestion that we address the reimbursement via the service agreement rather than a policy. The draft should be ready for approval at the December meeting.

7. New Business

None.

8. Comments from Groups or Individuals

None

9. Announcements

The next board meeting will be December 15th.
John thanked Rachel for her tenure with Tri-Valley.

10. Adjournment

Motion made to adjourn the meeting (Susan Jones/Sharon). Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

John McRae

Chair

12/15/22

Date