

GOVERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES

April 22, 2008



1.0 Call To Order

Mr. Scott Tschudy, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 5:42 p.m. **Board members present were Joe Vader, Scott Tschudy, Gayle Richardson, Patty Scott, Dale Chaffin, and Ron Johnson. Members absent: Mike Lally (excused absence).** Others in attendance were Maury Thompson, JCDS Executive Director, and staff members: Dr. Dennis Tucker, Tim Arnold, Peggy Shear, and Shelly Toft. Also in attendance was Doug Wood, Johnson County Commissioner.

Mr. Tschudy thanked Mr. Vader for chairing the meeting last month due to his absence.

2.0 Minutes

Mrs. Scott moved and Mrs. Richardson seconded to approve the March 25, 2008 minutes with the adjustment of adding the words "and appeal" to the third motion recorded as a result of last month's Executive Session. Motion passed.

The motion will read as follows: "Mr. Chaffin moved and Mr. Johnson seconded to direct the Johnson County Legal Department to continue the prosecution and appeal of both pending cases related to the proposed affiliate agreement with Alberta Brumley and to withdraw the proposal in the March 14, 2008 settlement proposal. Motion carried 4-2."

3.0 Financial Report

Mr. Chaffin referenced several paragraphs in the written documentation, updating the financial picture at the end of the first quarter.

Mr. Chaffin moved and Mr. Vader seconded to accept the March 2008 financial report. Motion carried.

Mr. Chaffin discussed the issue of direct deposit of paychecks for consumers and stated the agency would be in a position to implement this around June.

Mr. Chaffin moved and Mrs. Scott seconded to require payment to consumers for employment via direct deposit into a personal bank account. Exceptional hardships to this requirement must be reviewed by the Executive Director, Deputy Director, and Chief Financial Officer and approval received to bypass this requirement. Motion approved.

Mr. Thompson advised the board that a Request for Additional Resources (RAR) in the amount of \$150,000 to cover increases in commodities will be submitted in the agency's 2009 budget. The county's Transit Department will be submitting a request for transportation funds, which will assist JCDS with additional bus route(s).

Mr. Thompson advised the board that since meeting last month, the county's budget staff have identified an \$18M issue with the 2009 budget and are asking all departments and agencies to assist them by reducing their 2009 budgets. JCDS has been asked to identify reductions totaling about \$179,000. JCDS plans to do this by eliminating leased space and cutting two of the agency's longest vacant positions.

Mr. Thompson also noted that he will be meeting with the county's Facilities Department to look at a vacant building near the Elmore Center.

Mrs. Richardson asked Commissioner Wood how budget staff arrived at the amount requested for reduction by each department. Commissioner Wood stated all departments received the same percentage reduction, based on budget forecasts to revenue. Commissioner Wood also suggested that if necessary, some approved capital improvement projects could be delayed.

Commissioner Wood also stated the commission would be vigilante in how cuts will be applied countywide and that those agencies and departments supporting human services would be carefully considered.

4.0 Board Committees/Liaisons

Several board members commented favorably on the recent Ad Astra event held by the Friends of JCDS.

5.0 Director's Items

Mr. Thompson referenced his executive summary and calendar in the packets. He further advised the board he was the 2008 Feed the Need Campaign Chairman for the county and thanked Shelly Toft and Lori Patterson for assisting him with the event to be held June 20, 2008.

Mr. Thompson commented on the exemplary audit the agency received for its purchasing card program.

Ms. Shear stated \$500,000 had been allocated by the State of Kansas for this year's home modifications and assistive services program. Ms. Shear commended her staff for acting quickly to ensure that 35 people from Johnson County were able to access this funding.

Ms. Shear also provided brief comment about an affiliating agency on a plan of correction for not withholding or paying taxes.

Dr. Tucker commented on the changes in his monthly report to provide explanations for deviations in numbers and comment on points of interest.

Dr. Tucker shared a report of current business customers as requested last month by Mr. Johnson.

A discussion was held regarding the medication errors referenced in Dr. Tucker's report and Dr. Tucker agreed to provide to the board a breakdown of these.

The board congratulated Mr. Thompson for his acceptance into the 2008 Leadership Kansas program.

6.0 Executive Session

Mr. Johnson moved and Mrs. Scott seconded to adjourn to Executive Session at 6:46 p.m. for 15 minutes to discuss a consumer issue. Motion carried.

7.0 Adjournment

Mrs. Scott moved and Mrs. Richardson seconded to move back into public session and adjourn the meeting at 7:03 p.m. Motion approved.

Mrs. Patricia Scott, Secretary

Recorded by:
Shelly Toft

Minutes approved on May 27, 2008 by the JCDS Governing Board.