

Menominee-Delta-Schoolcraft
HUMAN RESOURCES AUTHORITY
Governing Board Meeting
Thursday April 28, 2022
Community Action Agency
Escanaba MI
10:30 p.m.

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 10:36 am and a quorum noted with the following in attendance. Board Members were present online with the permission of the Chair.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Craig Reiter, Schoolcraft
John Malnar, Delta
Mia Smith, Menominee
Connie Maule, Menominee
Jennifer MacDonald, Menominee
Geri Alanko, Delta
Gerald Piche, Menominee
Susan Kleikamp, Menomine
John Stapleton, Schoolcraft

OTHERS PRESENT

Julie Moberg, Executive Director
Dianne Gartland, Admin Assistant

ATTENDING BY ZOOM

Kris Thibeault, Finance Director
Linda Paulin, SCP Director
Peggy Ramsden, FGP Director
Naomi Fletcher, Weatherization Director
Maty Thibeault, Homeless Services
Myra Smeester, HS/EHS Director
Shanna Hammond, Sr Services Director
Helen Corbett, HR Director
Lori Giuliani, RSVP Director

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Penny Carlson
Alan Kilar
Jeff Waeghe
Myra Croasdell

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Ken Penokie
Edie Erickson
Kathy Fruehling

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

A motion was made to accept the agenda as presented by Susan Kleikamp, seconded by Jennifer MacDonald; Motion Carried.

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

Members received copies of the following items for their review. The Consent Agenda was approved with a motion from John Stapleton, seconded by John Malnar; Motion Carried.

- March 10, 2022 Governing Board Minutes
- February 2022 and March 2022 HRA Accounts Payable Schedule
- Program Evaluations
- Program Monthly Reports

- Information on Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)

APPROVAL OF THE HRA STAFF APPRECIATION POLICY

Board members reviewed the HRA Staff Appreciation Policy and based on the recommendations of both the Personnel and Finance Committees **a motion was made by Mia Smith, to approve the HRA Staff Retention Policy as presented, seconded by John Stapleton; Motion Carried**

FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM PRESENTATION

A program presentation was given by Peggy Ramsden, Program Director for the Foster Grandparent Program (FGP).

ACCEPTANCE OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Board called on Julie Moberg for her report. Julie reported that all three volunteer programs are actively working to get people back into placements. Senior Centers are open to indoor dining with mixed attendance. Still having a hard time recruiting Aides. Transportation services in Hermansville is back up and running. Homeless services continues to be busy. We are still working in Menominee County to address the issues at the Abundant Life Mission. Our weatherization program has received additional funding and is looking to purchase a new vehicle for the program, equipment for staff and office space for new staff. Applications to the program are picking up. We have assisted with rent and utilities with over \$1.5 million dollars. We have provided rental assistance to more than 318 clients in the 3 counties. We have helped 20 people so far with our new Water Assistant grant. We are still looking for a consumer representative from Menominee County. **A motion was made to accept her report as presented by John Malnar and seconded by Mia Smith; Motion Carried.**

OTHER BUSINESS

Craig Reiter stated that as no one has volunteered to be on any of the committees that are in need of members, he will be appointing members to the committees.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were made.

BOARD COMMENT

John Stapleton stated that Data can now bring people to various doctor's appointments out of the area depending on their insurance coverage. UPHP insurance will pay for this, they just need to make sure to contact them a week ahead of time.

John also stated that he is disappointed in the low turn out to the Board meetings.

Jerry Piche stated that Dave Prestin is running for the 108th District seat. He stated that he believes he would be a strong representative for health/insurance issues.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was made by John Stapleton, supported by John Malnar; Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:07 am.

Next meeting is scheduled May 26, 2022 at 10:30 am ET.