

## LCBDD Shares Park Fund Updates and Approves Contracts

The Logan County Board of Developmental Disabilities, Superintendent Saul Bauer shared an update on the Dare to Be Aware Playground fund at the board meeting held Thursday July 27, 2017. Fundraising events have raised \$23,693.10 to be used to renovate parks so they are accessible to everyone. A committee was formed and met on July 11<sup>th</sup> to review our vision and present ideas for the renovation of the parks. Kris Meyer (Park superintendent) said he envisions all parks in Logan County having fully accessible playground equipment. The committee agreed that the first renovation will be to Southview Park, since it will be the easiest park to make accessible. The second project will be to replace Kaleidoscope park and make it fully accessible. Kris is scheduling a meeting with the company GameTime to determine what cost may be associated with the changes. The committee will be scheduled to meet after information is received from GameTime.

In other board business Superintendent Bauer, shared information about families fighting the lawsuit over community based supports in the *Ball v. Kasich* case. An article in the Columbus Dispatch shared that families are trying to stave off class-action status in the court battle between the state and the legal advocacy group Disability Rights Ohio. Nearly two dozen motions were filed in Federal Court by parents and guardians saying they want a voice in the case. They say DRO has lumped thousands of people in this class action suit and are speaking on their behalf. They are not voicing the concerns of the majority of individuals and families.

In new board business, the board approved several contracts. A new contract was approved with Midwest Regional Educational Service Center for Occupational Therapy Services from September 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 for \$58,544.20 annually.

The following contracts were renewed:

1. Midwest Regional ESC – Substitute Teachers/Aides, Public Relations Services, Absence Management Services (formerly AESOP), LPDC Licensed Professional Development Committee Services. These contracts are effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.
2. CORSP, Inc – Leasing Agreement for Discovery Center, Food Service Assistant, MOU – Itinerant Teacher effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.
3. Logan County Family and Children First Council – Leasing Agreement for Discovery Center effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.
4. Mike Hall – Website Maintenance effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.
5. Frances Smith – COTA Certified Occupational Therapy Services effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.
6. Northwest Therapy – Physical Therapy Services, Physical Therapy Assistant Services –effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

Superintendent Bauer gave a financial update for the Logan County Board of Developmental Disabilities in 2017. Through May we are 42% through the year and utilized 33.53% of our general fund budget. The capital fund is 100% collected and 76.16% of the community support fund is collected. Expenses in the general fund are 17% lower than through May last year and revenue in the general fund is 6.5% lower.

In other business before the board Superintendent Bauer shared that he received word from DODD that it is time to complete the county board's semi-annual benchmark progress reports. Each county was notified to have their information provided no later than June 30, 2017. Logan County Board of DD did not need to do anything further since they had already achieved their goals and are compliant with Medicaid HCBS requirements.

The public is invited to attend our meetings. The next Finance Committee Meeting will be held August 14th @ noon at the LCBDD Board office conference room, 1851 St. Rt. 47, Bellefontaine Ohio. The next Board meeting, will be held on August 17th @ 5:30 pm at the LCBDD Board office conference room, 1851 St. Rt. 47, Bellefontaine Ohio.

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