



New Beginnings Enterprises, Inc.
Community Developmental Disability Organization

Community Council / Affiliate Meeting

May 17, 2018 ~ 11:00 A.M.

**New Beginnings CDDO ~ Neodesha
Minutes**

Participants: In person: Jerry Scott, Virgil O’Leary, JoLee Dwight (NBE), Adam Usry

Community participants: Via phone: Patti Blake (CRSS); In person: Linda Young (KDADS)

Affiliate participants: In person: Rachel Crigger (NBE), Jamie Wallace (NBE), Tara Cunningham (NBE CDDO); Via phone: Elaine Legitt (SKIL)

1. Determined council quorum. Quorum was met.
2. Minutes for February 2018 meeting were reviewed. No corrections were noted. Jerry made the motion to approve the minutes, JoLee seconded the motion and the motion passed.
3. **Quality Assurance Overview -**
 - a. **Quality Assurance Report & Disputes/Corrective Action Plans –**

Completed three Residential reviews and three day reviews, with the majority of reviews having minimal to no deficiencies. Issues include failure to maintain adequate documentation, failure to properly oversee licensed services, medication errors and lack of evidence of fire/tornado drills. Two agencies remain on a Corrective Action Plan. Quarterly Quality Assurance Report was provided and reviewed.

One dispute was filed against the CDDO due to concerns with answers to an annual BASIS assessment. The dispute was heard by three Community Council members and the members voted unanimously to uphold the CDDO answers to the BASIS assessment as the answers met the criteria outlined by KDADS BASIS manual.

b. Provider Status / Changes –

We continue to experience serious capacity issues in our CDDO area. We still have no residential service availability in Elk, Wilson or Greenwood counties. *Elaine with SKIL announced the Fishing with no Boundaries event hosted by SKIL in June. Please check out their website (www.skilonline.com) for more information. You may also follow them on facebook for more up to date information. Elaine also reported they are reviewing their PCSP policy and revising it to make it compliant with the new KDADS universal plan requirements. Tara provided an update on KDADS Person Centered Support Plan draft policy and universal plan. Licensing staff are currently working with KDADS staff to ensure the document is compliant with regulations. *Patti with CRSS reported they have been busy with 10 new clients since January and also have a person who is able to communicate through sign language in Coffeyville.

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The hope is that she will be able to offer her services to others in our area. *JoLee with New Beginnings reported they hosted a Cinco de Mayo party, attended the Senior Citizen prom and various community fundraisers, a spring concert, pizza in the park and attended a local pep rally to send students off to state competition. Lots of summer activities are planned.

4. CDDO Finance Report – The Finance quarterly report was reviewed.

5. Discuss Old Business –

- a. **KanCare Update and Transition** – KanCare 2.0 has been halted by the legislature. The current system will remain in place until at least July 2019, however new MCOs can be added.

6. Discuss New Business –

- a. **Legislative Update** - The rate increase for HCBS providers remained intact with a 4% increase effective July 1st, which is a total of a 7% increase in the last two years. Last year's increase was the first increase in almost 10 years. The Bill regarding Background checks was passed, which will reduce the number of infractions that prevented agencies from hiring certain individuals. The infractions that were removed were not infractions that involved a threat to other people, and had jeopardized the jobs of employees who have been working for agencies for 20 plus years with no incidents.
- b. **KDADS/CDDO Quarterly meeting update** – 150 people were offered funding from the waiting list. 111 accepted, 39 declined and funded people with a waiting list date up to 12/9/10. We received two offers. One person accepted and one declined. There are numerous issues with new interpretations regarding licensing requirements across the state. We are fortunate that we haven't experienced this in our area, but others have had multiple agencies placed on corrective actions based on these new interpretations.
- c. **CDDO Peer Review** – Tara reported that we had our CDDO peer review in March. We ended up with three findings, which included one BASIS that was entered past the deadline, a requirement for more separation between CDDO and CSP and policy revision. There were other recommendations, however we are not required to implement them. The final report was just received the day before yesterday, so we will discuss this and our strategic plan in more detail at our meeting in August.
- d. **CDDO Strategic Plan review** – Postponed until August when we can also review the CDDO Peer Review Final Report.
- e. **CDDO Capacity Plan** - Our annual capacity report is due to KDADS by the end of June. We reviewed the Capacity Report and council and other participants offered valuable information and feedback. This information will be incorporated into the CDDO Capacity Report submitted to KDADS.
- f. **CDDO Business Name** – Tara discussed the possibilities new names for the CDDO. Little Ozarks CDDO was suggested at our last meeting and all members still prefer this name. Tara will ask for feedback during the annual Satisfaction Survey mailing and the council will review responses and vote on a new name at our August meeting.
- g. **Satisfaction Survey** – The annual Satisfaction Survey will be mailed out in June/July. The questions will remain the same on this year's survey in order to allow for trending purposes, however additional questions will be added regarding satisfaction with CDDO services and feedback for a new CDDO business name.

- h. **Additional Items for Discussion/Concerns regarding CDDO** – Tara announced that Jake Price has moved out of our catchment area, therefore he no longer qualifies for our Community Council membership. We currently have an opening for a person served/guardian/family member on our council and are currently accepting nominations. In addition, we have two scholarships available to attend the annual Self Advocate Coalition of KS annual conference in June. Applications for scholarships are due to the CDDO by May 30th. Jamie announced that there is a camp for kids with Intellectual Disabilities in our state and she is hoping they might expand to serve kids from our area as well. Rachel announced the special needs baseball team has been formed. Contact her for more information. No other concerns or information was reported.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tara Cunningham
CDDO Director