



Board of Directors Meeting Summary

July 20, 2019

The Board of Directors was scheduled to meet on July 20, 2019

Ron shared that the State is actively pursuing a different rate methodology for all DD services. This was ordered by the court in the Ligas review. The DD division has contracted with a third party group to develop the rate. Various subcommittees have been working on recommendations. The department is saying they will accept the rate methodology they are given but will not be able to fund it all at once. The plan is to phase it in.

Information was also shared from a conference on Managed Care and DD. Most professionals say it is coming but no one can say when. Illinois is very ill prepared for this. Provider groups are meeting to try to create a structure to recommend to avoid the department going in a direction which would be harmful.

The finances of LifePoints continue to be sound based on the higher Timber Ridge rate, sound investments and generous contributions by donors.

LifePoints has been in the process of admitting several people and anticipates that all openings will be filled soon. The needs of some of the incoming clients may require some changes in staffing.

The scholarship committee awarded \$25,000 that was appropriated by the Board. Twelve staff members received a scholarship award. The majority of last year's recipients successfully completed their school year.

The annual review of the Risk Management Assessment was presented. There was only one area highlighted that was a change from past year. The possibility of Managed Care seems more likely and could have significant impact on funding and the requirements for specific and accurate quality data.

The Board did its annual review of the investment policy and standard. No changes were recommended. The policy directs a fairly conservative investment strategy

The Board began the process of soliciting a new Board member. Candidates will be interviewed in November and begin their term in May, 2020. No specific areas of expertise were identified as needed but someone with some IT background could be helpful.

The Board was given a copy of their Operating Principles. Each year the Board reviews these to assure that their decisions and actions reflect these principles.

The Executive Director presented his proposed Goals for 2019-2020. The Board accepted them.

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The annual report was presented for approval. It does not have audited numbers but the Board approved the narrative content. If it is done in time it will be presented at the Apostolic Christian Elder Conference in August.

A sample of documents from the quality management project was presented. The Board made some suggestions for ongoing development.

The Board reviewed eligible wages for the staff retirement contribution. They allocated \$440,000 or about 6% to be contributed to the retirement funds.

The Board also reviewed the annual Turnover and Retention assessment. It reflects that turnover is high in all industries but the Board's willingness to fund raises and differentials has resulted in a turnover rate that is well below the industry average.

The Board was given an update on the investigation to update Timber Ridge. The plans are not well enough developed to develop cost estimates. The Board was supportive of the direction the plans are going. The Elder Conference will be asked to authorize the Board to approve the project when the final drawings are done.

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