**Osage County Special Services**

**Board Meeting**

**August 6, 2020**

**Members Present:** Robyn Baker, Donna Backes (via phone due to COVID 19), Stacy Bax (via WebEx due to COVID 19), Irene Hollandsworth (via WebEx due to COVID 19), Glenn Robertson, and Irene Strope

**Members Absent:** Katherine Best, Donna Haslag, Jacob Wolfe

Osage County Special Services met August 6, 2020, at the Osage County Special Services office in Linn, Missouri at 6:00pm.

The meeting was called to order by Irene Hollandsworth, vice-president, at 6:03pm.

The aggregate assessed total valuation for Osage County is $223,097,006.00. Irene Strope made a motion to request the tax levy be set for OCSS at 0.100 based on the valuation. Glenn Robertson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Irene Strope to approve the July minutes as read. The motion was seconded by Stacy Bax. Minutes were approved as read.

A motion was made by Stacy Bax to approve the financial expenditures as reported. The motion was seconded by Donna Backes. The motion passed unanimously.

**Executive Director’s Report:** Megan Reichart, Executive Director, attended several meetings through the last month including a board meeting, meeting with OCCL, Inc., RRO conference call, DMH weekly COVID webinar, visitation for prior consumer, Show-Me ECHO presentation (good experience and nice resource to have available), Stories from Field WebEx, RRO quarterly call, TCM TAC review and MACDDS.

**Old Business:**

Consumer count: Megan Reichart, Executive Director, report the consumer count is currently 180.

TCM update: The Department of Mental Health is strongly encouraging actually seeing consumers, whether through video conferencing, window meetings or face-to-face. The case managers are all working to make that happen using health precautions. The new laptops are also working well.

**New Business:**

OCCL, Inc. Private Pay Day Habilitation: OCCL, Inc. provides a day habilitation program for consumers which if funded through HCBS waivers. OCCL, Inc. would like to allow consumers to private pay, however, they are required to bill the same rate to private pay individuals that they bill to Medicaid. They are requesting that OCSS fund a portion of the rate for private pay individuals to allow more people to receive the day habilitation service. Stacy Bax made a motion to change the line item Transportation Vouchers (18266) in the OCSS budget to Day Habilitation Services. The motion was seconded by Irene Strope. The motion passed unanimously.

Funding Request: A request was made by a consumer to provide partial funding for Day Hab. through OCCL, Inc. A motion was made by Irene Strope to approve the request. The motion was seconded by Glenn Robertson. The motion passed unanimously.

The next regularly scheduled board meeting is scheduled for September 3, 2020 at 6:00pm at the Osage County Special Services Office, 1014 East Main St., Linn, MO 65051.

There being no further discussion, Irene Strope made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Glenn Robertson seconded the motion. It was passed unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:44pm.

Submitted by Robyn Baker, Board Secretary