

Tennessee Voices for Children
Board of Directors Meeting
June 17, 2016

In Attendance:

Bama Wood	Rikki Harris	Bill Dobbins
Bill Kirby	Charlotte Wood	Paula Sandidge
Devika Kumar	Kim Sterling	Dick Blackburn
Chad Poff	Brian Taylor	Sheila Peters
Molly Rollins	Blair Chapman	Vince Foster
Linda O'Neal	Emily Carroll	Rhonda Ashley-Dixon
Debbie Webb	Kathy Rogers	Andrew Buckwalter

Start: 11:06 am

I. President's Report – Bama Wood

Bama Wood opened the meeting and welcomed everyone. Bama welcomed the newest Board member, Vince Foster, and stated that he had an active role in supporting TVC over the past several years. Then, Bama asked Vince to share a little bit about himself. Vince stated that he has been working with TVC both professionally and as a supporter for several years. He also stated that he is very excited to be on the Board and become more involved within the organization.

Bama also informed the Board that we have two new Board interns. She introduced Andrew Buckwalter who was in attendance. She stated the other new intern, Charlie Gibson, would not be in attendance due to a previously scheduled travel engagement. Bama stated that she was looking forward to working with both of them.

Bama informed the Board that there would be an Appreciation Breakfast on July 20, 2016 from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. She encouraged Board and Advisory Council members to attend. She also thanked members of the Board of Directors and Advisory Council for their support and dedication to Tennessee Voices for Children.

II. Secretary's Report- Paula Sandidge

Paula Sandidge directed members to locate the Board minutes from April 15, 2016. Once reviewed, she asked if anyone had any additions or recommendations. Hearing none, Bill Kirby made the motion to approve the minutes. Devika Kumar seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

III. CEO's Report- Rikki Harris

Rikki began by reporting on some recent funding updates. She was very pleased to inform the Board about grant funds received from two private entities, Care Foundation of America and Hospital Corporation of America (HCA).

Rikki stated that TVC received \$151,750 from Care Foundation of America. She explained that these funds would be used specifically for Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) Accreditation and consulting services from C3 Consulting, Qualifacts billing capabilities, and Family Support Specialist (FSS) training purposes. Rikki noted that over the past several years the number of MCO cases has increased drastically from 3 or 4 clients to over 50 clients. Implementing the new Qualifacts billing program will be extremely helpful in operationalizing this increase.

Rikki was also pleased to announce the funds awarded from HCA, \$15,000, would be used to support the goals of the FSS training process as well.

She informed the Board about a few staffing changes among the TVC Leadership Team. Rikki pointed out that this would be Kim Sterling's last Board Meeting and reminded them that her last day would be June 30 due to her out of state move. Rikki also informed the Board that Adam Horn had recently resigned his position as Clinical Director and decided to pursue other opportunities. She explained that Adam had been mentoring Anna Claire Lowder over the past couple of years and she would be absorbing many of his duties and would be named the Clinical Director.

Rikki mentioned that Emily Carroll would be sharing some exciting news regarding the upcoming annual fundraiser. She stated that she is looking forward to the event and that it is a giant leap for the organization with the potential to make a greater financial impact.

Rikki reported that TVC staff had recently completed their yearly performance evaluations. She thanked Kim Sterling for her assistance in condensing the forms and revamping the entire evaluation process. Rikki was very pleased to report that the 96% of staff were falling into the top two categories, role model and valued performer.

Lastly, Rikki updated the Board on Jack McKenzie's health issues. Due to these health issues, she notified the Board that Mamie McKenzie had resigned her position as Early Childhood Program Manager to be home with Jack. However, Mamie will still assist TVC with trainings on a PRN basis. Rikki also mentioned recognizing Jack and Mamie for their many years of service at a future event.

IV. Legislative Report- Bill Dobbins

Bill reported on the 3 Star Healthy Choices Task Force. He stated that Speaker Beth Harwell created this Task Force. The Task Force expanded to five members with the addition of Representative Karen Camper and Senator Richard Briggs. The goal of this Task Force is to explore possible options of expanding Medicaid with a smaller, cautious rollout. This Task Force has met in Memphis, Johnson City, Knoxville, Chattanooga and Nashville (3 times.) At every city, the Task Force met with experts from local hospitals, major universities, medical professions, department commissioners, small and large business owners, and private citizens. All of the participants provided input to the Task Force on the needs of the community regarding healthcare coverage and availability. The Task Force began to focus on behavioral health and the lack of access to care.

The Task Force met with representatives from CMS the first week June to discuss possible ideas and incorporation with the ACA law and existing Medicaid guidelines. Any plan will need to be incorporated into the waiver request of Section 1115 of the United States Medicaid law. This waiver request is due to CMS by June 30. Bill also stated that Rikki had sent letters to members of the Task Force in support of expanded healthcare.

V. Treasurer's Report- Chad Poff

Chad presented the Financial Statement for the ten month period which ended April 30, 2016. He stated there was a \$50,000 shortfall year to date. He explained that a little over \$31,000 was due to depreciation.

Chad also presented the new budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016. Chad informed the Board that the Executive Committee recommended the budget for approval. Chad explained that the new FY budget was around \$300K less than the previous fiscal year. Chad made the motion to approve the year to date Financial Statement and the 2016-2017 FY Budget. Bill Kirby seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

VI. Finance/Personnel Committee Report- Chad Poff

Chad reported that the Finance Committee had met with Suzanne Nelson about the Investment Policy and recommended moving forward with her services. Chad stated that the committee felt very comfortable with her proposed services and there is no contract required. If at any time TVC becomes unsatisfied, the investments can be moved. Chad stated that 65% would be in fixed income and

35% in equities. Chad made the motion to move forward with the services provided by Suzanne Nelson. Molly Rollins seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

VII. Introductions- Bama Wood

Bama requested for everyone to introduce themselves to the new Board members.

VIII. Marketing/Development Report- Emily Carroll

Emily reported on the Belk Charity Sale and stated the organization had sold \$120 in tickets. She also stated that TVC would receive a portion of the in-store ticket sales from the day of the sale, but she is not sure of the amount at this time. Emily explained that this was an easy fundraising opportunity for the organization.

Emily updated the Board on the results of the Big Payback campaign. She explained that the giving website had experienced technical difficulties because of the amount of giving across the country. However, she was very pleased to announce that TVC had not only met, but exceeded the \$5,000 goal. Emily informed the Board that the final amount raised for the Big Payback campaign was \$5,055 which was a 370% increase from 2015. She thanked the Board and Advisory Council members for their support and gifts to help achieve the 2016 goal.

Emily also shared that TVC had recently participated in the Music City Sports Festival at the Music City Center. She thanked Vince Foster and Sir Speedy Berry Hill for sharing their booth space with TVC. She informed the Board that approximately 2,500 people were reached over the course of the festival. TVC staff members painted faces and also informed festival participants about the services provided by Tennessee Voices for Children.

Lastly, Emily notified the Board about upcoming events. An Appreciation Breakfast in honor of donors and funders will be held on Wednesday, July 20 from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. She encouraged everyone to attend. Emily also announced exciting information regarding the annual fundraising event. She announced the Green Ribbon Gala would be held on Saturday, November 5, 2016 in Nashville (location TBD). She was also thrilled to announce that Tipper Gore would be the keynote speaker for the event. Emily shared with the Board that her goal for this year's event is \$200,000 and she is looking forward to a successful event. Emily passed around a document detailing the breakdown for the event. She also informed the Board that there would be a Fundraising Event Committee Meeting following the Board Meeting if anyone was interested in volunteering. Several members volunteered to join the committee. Bama Wood stated that she would purchase a table and challenged other Board members to do the same. Devika Kumar and Paula Sandidge stated they would purchase a table as well.

VIII. Old Business

None

XIV. New Business

Debbie Webb shared a story regarding the Big Payback and the partnership between TVC and Gabby's Burgers and Fries.

Adjourned at 12:21 pm