

**The Southbury Training School Board of Trustees  
Met in Eugene Harvey's Conference Room at Southbury Training School,  
Southbury, Connecticut, on Monday, June 22, 2015.**

Present: Eileen Lemay, Chair  
Ann Dougherty, Vice Chair  
Diana Mennone  
Louis Richards  
Ed Edelson  
Eugene Harvey, STS Director

Excused: Mark Cooper  
Drew Morten

Eileen Lemay, Chair, called the meeting of the Southbury Training School Board of Trustees to order at 1:05 p.m.

**COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES**

Diana Mennone, the STS Board of Trustees representative to the Council on Developmental Services, attended a Council meeting on May 7, 2015.

Discussion included legislative updates and a unanimous vote for the Council to write a letter to the Legislative leadership and Governor Malloy in support of the restoration of services found in the Appropriations Committee's proposed budget.

Commissioner Murray spoke about beginning the process of a Southbury Training School study group and the role of the state as a direct care provider. She also spoke about current work being done by the consultant firm of Blum Shapiro to look at reorganization of DDS' financial department as well as the reporting system of the Central Office table-of-staff organization.

To view the minutes from the May 2015 meeting, go to the DDS website at [www.ct.gov/dds](http://www.ct.gov/dds) - on left side, click on **BOARDS AND COUNCILS**, and scroll down to: **2015 MEETING SCHEDULES / MINUTES**. Find dates of **MEETINGS**; see **AGENDA** columns and **MINUTES** columns to the right. Not all minutes have been posted yet.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Current Population

292 as of June 22, 2015.

Settlement Agreement

Eugene met with Tony Records today at 10:30 a.m. Mr. Records introduced a private consultant, Melanie Reeves Miller that he hired to attend the IP meetings in his absence. Ms. Miller will observe these meetings to assure there is adequate discussion on community placement. STS has achieved and maintained compliance with Remedial Plan Requirements, except for Benchmark #7, timeliness of placement. This requirement states that once a commitment has been made for a resident to move to the community, it should take place within eighteen months.

Budget

No new budget as of today. With the closing of Cottages 32 and 36, STS fiscal year is in the black. The overtime has been reduced by 26% from this time last year. The mandatory overtime has virtually disappeared. If a cottage needs to hire mandatory overtime, that cottage will run one under complement.

Four new part-time positions have been approved.

The new budget includes a \$5 million reduction in overtime over the next two years.

Medical Department

Subra Siva, M.D., Principal Physician, is the new Medical Director. Medical contracts in the regions will be cancelled and STS medical personnel will help cover these areas.

Renovations

Cottage 20 will require approximately four more weeks before residents can move in. The STS BOT will tour the cottage once it is complete.

Staff House 2 will be renovated to house four gentlemen from the PV's. Future renovations include Cottages 30 and 36.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

The Department of Agriculture enlisted the help of students from Yale for a study of business prospects for the farmland.

The next meeting of the STS Board of Trustees will be **Monday, September 28, 2015 at 1:00 p.m. in Cottage 20. (No meetings in July and August.)**

There being no further business, Ed Edelson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:58 p.m.; Ann Dougherty seconded. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Webb, Recording Secretary

Mark A.R. Cooper, Secretary

Approved by the STS Board of Trustees  
June 30, 2015