

**The Southbury Training School Board of Trustees
Met in Eugene Harvey's Conference Room at Southbury Training School,
Southbury, Connecticut, on Monday, February 27, 2017.**

Present: Eileen Lemay, Chair
 Ann Dougherty, Vice Chair
 Diana Mennone
 Louis Richards
 Mark Cooper
 Eugene Harvey

Eileen Lemay, Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES

Diana Mennone, STS BOT Representative to the Council on Developmental Services, gave an update on the DDS Council meeting from January 19, 2017. For detailed information and to view the approved minutes from the January 2017 meeting, go to the DDS website at www.ct.gov/dds - click on **BOARDS AND COUNCILS**, click on **COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES**, scroll down to: **2017 MEETING SCHEDULES / MINUTES**. Find dates of **MEETINGS**; see **AGENDA** columns and **MINUTES** columns to the right.

To ask and receive DDS legislative updates, email the DDS Legislative and Regulations Specialist: Rod.OConnor@ct.gov . More information is available on the DDS website: www.ct.gov/dds (Legislative Affairs).

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Current Resident Population – 229

Since the last meeting there were eight community placements and one death.

Residential

- New floors project in Cottage 40 expected to be completed by this Friday.
- Bids for the new elevator came in high, with the lowest bid at \$300,000, and is available for only ninety days. Negotiations are still being pursued.
- Staff relocations from last cottage closure are expected to be complete by March 16, 2017.
- Possibility of approximately 13 Direct Care Staff transfers to DHMAS has been put on hold.

Budget

The DDS Budget Hearing for the next two fiscal years was held last Thursday, February 23rd with appropriations to close the STS Fire Department and one cottage. Appropriations Subcommittee meeting will be held this week. The current year's budget is still stable despite recent snow storms.

Positions

Three positions have been approved: R.N. for 3rd Shift, Per Diem Physical Therapist and Per Diem Psychiatrist.

CPTV

John Holt from CPTV is preparing a DDS documentary. He will be on the STS campus Thursday, March 2nd, for a tour of our facility. Eugene Harvey will accompany Mr. Holt and his video crew to approved areas on the campus. Mr. Holt will also conduct interviews with two guardians.

Music Therapy

Music Therapy has been reinstated at STS through private funds. Meg Capen and Julie Andring have been approved for ten hours a week each working with our Residents in Roselle School and in the cottages.

OLD BUSINESS

Questions from the National Core Indicator Survey were discussed and the purpose of this state survey.

NEW BUSINESSNo New Business

The next meeting of the STS Board of Trustees will be **Monday, March 27, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. in the Director's Conference Room.**

There being no further business, Mark Cooper made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:32 p.m.; Eileen Lemay seconded. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Webb, Recording Secretary

Mark A.R. Cooper, Secretary

Approved by the STS Board of Trustees
March 13, 2017