

**The Southbury Training School Board of Trustees  
Met in Eugene Harvey's Conference Room at Southbury Training School,  
Southbury, Connecticut, on Monday, November 28, 2016.**

Present: Eileen Lemay, Chair  
Ann Dougherty, Vice Chair  
Diana Mennone  
Louis Richards  
Mark Cooper  
Kathy Hanewicz, Family Support Director

Excused: Eugene Harvey, Director

Eileen Lemay, Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

**COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES**

No Report

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**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Current Population – 240

Since the last meeting there were three placements from Cottage 9 to a Group Home in Newtown and five deaths.

Residential

Cottage 40 bathroom to be completed by end of this week.

Cottage 41 bathroom to be completed by mid-December.

Cottage 40 bids received for new floors throughout the cottage. Work to begin in January 2017.

Cottage 40 elevator project to be put on the Portal for bids in December.

Cottage 7 renovations scheduled to be completed by the end of February 2017.

Cottage 9 closed on November 15, 2016 upon transfer of its three occupants to Newtown Group Home.

Budget

Budget options for next year's budget include closing the Fire Department, closing an additional residential building and privatization of Case Management. We will still continue to negotiate a longer transition period with the Town of Southbury Fire Department.

Day Program Conversion

Conversion of thirty public group homes continues while we await the outcome of an injunction request by the Union. Meanwhile, our current budget at STS is still in the black at this time. The Day Program Conversion process at STS is continuing and an RFP is expected within the coming weeks.

Medical

Dr. Joel Melamed is retiring effective December 1, 2016. Dr. Kaszycki, MD had agreed to increase her hours per week by eight to help out. The ratios without Dr. Melamed are still within limits established by the Consent Decree.

DDS Commissioner

Commissioner Murray is still on leave with a return to work date still not known.

**OLD BUSINESS**Nominations for STS Board of Trustees Member

Vacancies continue to be pursued.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Kathy Hanewicz distributed a copy of the DDS DRAFT Five Year Plan 2017-2022 to all board members. DDS has scheduled two public hearings to be held on Tuesday, December 6, 2016 from 10:00 a.m. to noon and from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Legislative Office Building in Hartford. Eileen Lemay, Chair, asked the members to review the plan and email her if there were any concerns before the December 6<sup>th</sup> public hearings.

The next meeting of the STS Board of Trustees will be **Monday, January 23, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. in the Director's Conference Room. There is no meeting in December.**

There being no further business, Mark Cooper made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:55 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  
December 9, 2016