

Developmental Disability Services of Jackson County ~ EITAS

**Board of Director's Meeting**

January 27, 2009

Topic/Issue	Minutes	Summary of Action Taken or Pending
<b>Attendance</b>	Bill Anderson, Erika Ramirez and Tom Davis, Board Members. Absent: Don Saxton, Barbara Winkler, Becky Sandring, Matthew Levi and Anita Parran. Jake Jacobs, Michael Haseltine, Earlene Clayton, and Kathleen Ganaden, Staff. Guests: Carol Adams, Rebecca Case and Doris Weber.	
<b>Call to Order</b>	Tom Davis, Board Vice-President called the Board of Director's meeting together at 6:05PM t the Administrative offices of Developmental Disability Services of Jackson County, located at 8508 Hillcrest, Kansas City, Missouri.	
<b>November 2008 Board Meeting Minutes</b>	As there was no quorum, November 2008 Board Minutes will be emailed to Members for review and approval.	
<b>Treasurer's Report</b>	Treasurer's Report and approval for October and November 2008 Unaudited Financial Statements will be postponed until the February Board of Director's meeting	
<b>Committee Reports</b>	No verbal reports were made. Absentee Members will receive copy of said minutes in packet.	
<b>Executive Director's Report</b>	<p>In addition, to the report already submitted, Jake Jacobs, Executive Director noted that in Members Board Packet was a draft of meeting schedules for the entire year. Mr. Jacobs asked Members to review the listing thoroughly and advise Staff if there are any conflicts.</p> <p>Bi-Monthly Board of Director Meetings is a subject that Mr. Jacobs's feels could be re-visited due to the heavy meeting commitment of members and lack of public audience attendance.</p> <p>March is National Developmental Disability Awareness month and Mr. Jacobs has been working with the EITAS PR firm to see how Jackson County can be made more aware of developmental disabilities. Possible venues could be flyers, billboards, pitching local media</p>	<p><b>March is National Developmental Disability Awareness Month</b></p>

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<p><b>Executive Director's Report Continued</b></p>	<p>(print, television and radio) for potential stories and contacting various organizations and local municipalities for EITAS Staff to present "our story".</p>	<p><b>Information</b></p>
<p><b>New Business</b></p>	<p>Michael Haseltine, Deputy Director shared two papers regarding changing of the Achievement Awards at the Annual Meeting. Each paper was titled as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Rationale for Changing the Achievement Award Structure</li> <li>2. Proposed Changes for Annual Awards</li> </ol> <p>The proposed changes are more on person-centeredness which is more in line with current EITAS values and encourages input from Members about the changes.</p> <p>Mr. Haseltine also shared the Training Center enrolled over 1600 students in 2008 and collected around \$41,000 in class fees. For 2009, an additional Medication class has already been added and there is thought of adding management and supervision classes.</p> <p>Erika Ramirez, Board Treasurer shared that her term as a Board member had come to an end and with her other responsibilities another term could not be taken under consideration.</p>	<p><b>Erika Ramirez Term Ends As Board Member</b></p>
<p><b>Old Business</b></p>	<p>None.</p>	
<p><b>Public Opinion</b></p>	<p>Rebecca Case, Executive Director for Developing Potential, Inc., announced its First Annual Gala fundraiser on Saturday, May 16. Funds raised at this event will be used to purchase specialized equipment to support DPI's efforts to increase access to services. The event also offers an opportunity to raise awareness of the special needs of the population served in Kansas City.</p>	

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<b>Adjournment</b>	There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:38 PM.  Respectfully submitted,  Rosetta Robins Board Secretary	<b>Information</b>