

New Opportunities, Inc.
Board Meeting

MINUTES

Thursday, October 31, 2013
4:00 p.m.

- I. In absence of Gene Meiners, President of the Board, Treasurer of the Board, Bart Thoreson, called meeting to order at 4:07 p.m.

A. Welcome and Introductions

Present: Gary VanAernam, Jon Hays, Jud Stover, Robert McKone, Joyce Morris, Bart Thoreson, Kathy Brenny, Chuck Yanders, Gary Nicholson, Owen Englin, Tom Rutledge via conference call, Mark Hanson via conference call

Excused: Eugene Meiners, Maria Bretey, Tom Contner, Rick Hecht, Enna Antunez, Teresa Mowrer

Staff Present: Chad Jensen, CEO; Sheri Mertz, CFO; Ashley Owen, Board Recorder

- B. A motion was made for the approval of the September 25, 2013 Board minutes by Bob McKone and seconded by Jon Hays. Motion carried.

II. CFO Reports – Sheri Mertz

A. Sheri discussed with the Board the financial reports for the FY2013 ending September 31, 2013. There was a general discussion of various line items. Sheri also reviewed the deferred revenue by class. A motion was made to accept the financial reports for FY2013 ending September 31, 2013 by Chuck Yanders and seconded by Owen Englin. Motion carried.

B. Sheri presented to the Board the proposed FY14 Agency Wide Budget by Class. She reviewed the Profit & Loss Budget Overview. There was a general discussion of various line items.

The Finance Committee met before the Board meeting to review the proposed FY14 budget in detail by program. A motion was approved by the Finance Committee to recommend to the Board the approval of the FY14 Agency Wide Budget as presented. The motion was made by Gary Nicholson and seconded by

Jud Stover to ratify the Finance Committee's motion as stated above. Motion carried.

III. CEO Reports – Chad Jensen

A. Chad presented to the Board the Community Service Block Grant (CSBG-14-01) contract. The motion was made by Gary VanAernam to accept the CSBG-14-01 contract seconded by Kathy Brenny. Motion carried.

B. In Gene Meiners absence, Chad presented the September 24, 2013 Head Start Policy Council minutes, September 2013 Head Start/Early Head Start Program Report, Head Start/Early Head Start Financial Summary thru September 2013, and the Head Start charge account/credit card activity thru September 2013.

Sheri presented to the Board the 2012-2013 Head Start and Early Head Start Program Information report.

C. Chad gave a presentation about the Affordable Care Act (ACA).

D. Chad informed the Board that he was asked to write a letter of support for the Greene County casino application. He noted that if Greene County does build a casino that there could be grants available for social service entities to apply for such as New Opportunities, Inc. After a round table discussion, the Board agreed to not writing a letter of support for the Greene County casino application due to New Opportunities, Inc. serving low-income families and its potential ill effects on low-income .

IV. Other

A. Chad handed out to the Board the following correspondence/information:

a) Sequestration 2014

1. Chad updated the Board on possible affects of the sequestration in 2014.

V. Adjournment

A. A motion was made at 4:53 p.m. by Jon Hays to adjourn the meeting. Jud Stover seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,


Ashley Owen
Board Recorder

Respectfully submitted,


Bart Thoreson
Treasurer of the Board