**Beaver County Collaborative Action Network Foundation**

**Minutes of the Advisory Board of Directors Meeting**

**December 9, 2020**

**Attendance: Paulette Miller, Chair; Darlene Thomas, Secretary; Brian Yaworsky, Treasurer; Joanne Koehler, Executive Board Member at Large; David Cottington; Leslie Hallas; Mary Leitao; Jodi Oliver; Tami Ozegovich; Eric Rosendale; Mike Rubino; Carlton Vreen; Lynell Scaff, Coordinator**

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| **AGENDA ITEM** | **DISCUSSION** | **MOTIONS** |
| **December 9, 2020**  **BCCAN Board Meeting - ZOOM** | The December 9, 2020, BCCAN executive board meeting was held by ZOOM due to the CDC’s COVID-19 guidelines for social distancing. Executive Director, Paulette Miller opened the meeting at 12:03pm. |  |
| **Guest Speaker:**  **Michelle Ferguson, Private Industry Council – Dads Matter** | Michelle Ferguson presented the Dads Matter program from the Private Industry Council that is federally funded and provides services to 1,066 Dads from Fayette, Washington, Westmoreland, and now Beaver County.  Dads Matter is a volunteer program that will provide individualized on-the-job training, as well as classes to develop money management, relationship skills. The program is available to residents of the participating counties. Enrollment will begin April 1, 2021. The Beaver County office will be located in the Beaver Valley Mall.  Michelle discussed the many options to connect to the human services available in Beaver County with the board members. She will send information about the program to Lynell Scaff to be distributed to the BCCAN board members. |  |
| **Review of Minutes** | Minutes from the November 12, 2020 Board Meeting were previously emailed to the representatives of partner agencies. The board members did not express any changes needed to the minutes.  Brian Yaworsky made a motion “to accept the minutes”. Mike Rubino seconded the motion; none opposed. | ***Minutes approved*** |
| **Bills/Financials** | Lynell Scaff reviewed the bills/financials.  After the review of the bills/financials, Darlene Thomas made a motion *“To accept the minutes and bills/financials”.*  Mary Leitao seconded the motion; none opposed. | ***Bills/Financials approved*** |
| **Monthly Report** | Lynell Scaff reported that Major Denise Martin of the Salvation Army has accepted the BCCAN board position and will attend the January board meeting.  Lynell announced that Lisa Signore, director of the Community Development Program will be retiring on January 23, 2021. Marlene Landrum will be replacing Lisa and is interested in joining the BCCAN Board.  The newest Lamar Billboard for the 211 system will be located in Beaver County near Ellwood City.  Lynell will accept additional questions for Attorney McCreary through the end of business December 9, 2020. She is scheduled to have a teleconference, December 10, 2020, to present the questions to be discussed at the HR Forum via Zoom on January 6, 2021.  Paulette and Lynell will have a conference call with Robbie Matesic of Senator Casey’s office this afternoon, December 9th. Bios and photos of every participant to the round table are to be sent to Lynell.  The board members discussed the topics of the questions that could be addressed by Senator Casey. Some of the topics would be a new stimulus package, housing, prioritizing of the vaccine, and waivers for state and federal testing in schools.  The BCCAN board will continue to meet via Zoom at the regularly scheduled time, January through June 2021. | ***HR Forum***  ***January 6, 2021, Via Zoom - 10am-Noon***  ***Zoom – Virtual Round Table with Senator Casey:***  ***December 16, 2020 –***  ***11:45am-1pm*** |
| **ANNOUNCEMENTS** |  | **EVENTS** |
| **Mike Rubino,**  **United Way of Beaver County** | Mike Rubino announced that 211 will be used as a national hotline to help people be connected to the human services in their areas and reduce these types of calls through the 911 system.  He reported that there is a new record shop in Monaca. |  |
| **Eric Rosendale, Beaver Valley Intermediate Unit** | Eric Rosendale reported that The Quality Education Counsel is still meeting to make education in the county stronger. Phase 3 of the John Hopkins research in education study is currently on hold. |  |
| **Darlene Thomas, Women’s Center of Beaver County** | Darlene announced that the Women’s Center has videos available for training. |  |
| **Paulette Miller,**  **BCRC, Inc.** | Paulette reported that BCRC’s school to work program has forty students currently enrolled. Nine of those students are working at Fed-Ex for the holiday season and some of those positions could turn into permanent employment. |  |
| **Adjournment** | *The meeting was adjourned at 1:14p.m by Paulette Miller.*  *Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!* | ***Next BCCAN meeting***  ***Thursday January 13, 2020, Noon-via-Zoom*** |

Respectfully submitted by: Dawn Conti