

**Minutes**  
**Clay County Children's Service Fund**  
**Board Meeting**  
**March 16, 2022**

The Board of Directors of CCCSF met on March 16, 2022, at 8:30 a.m. at 7001 North Locust, Suite A-100, Gladstone, Missouri, 64118. Virtual attendance was also available for attendees. Present members included: Kenneth Honeck, Chair; Bruce Culley, Treasurer; John McGovern, Secretary; Pastor Robert Franseen, Vice Chair; Carrie Lonsdale; Ed O'Herin; Thomas Peca.

Excused: Deb Hermann, Allen Dillingham

**Also Present were:**

Kathy Macken – Executive Director, Clay County Children's Services Fund  
Peggy Nichols – Executive Assistant, Clay County Children's Services Fund  
Sarah Forgey – Greater Kansas City Community Foundation staff  
Afton Baxter – Greater Kansas City Community Foundation staff  
Kyle Boehr – Ability KC  
Jewell Cockrum – Ability KC  
Mike Coffey – Ability KC  
Sarah Murphy – Ability KC  
Janet Padley – Ability KC  
Elena Pautler – Ability KC  
Jason Roth – Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City  
Jerry Nolte – Clay County Presiding Commissioner  
Heather Heaster – Crittenton Children's Center  
Amy Stoll – Down Syndrome Innovations  
Carron Miesner – Easterseals Midwest  
Amy Gorton – Easterseals Midwest  
Pearlena Campbell – Hillcrest Transitional Housing  
Ron Johnson – Kansas City Autism Training Center  
Jennifer Kopp – Kearney School District  
Jessica Meisenheimer – Liberty Public Schools  
Julie Youngers – Mattie Rhodes Center  
Becky Poitras – Metro Lutheran Ministry  
Janelle Porter – North Kansas City Schools  
Denise Harwood – Smithville School District  
Dennis Meier – Synergy Services  
Gwen O'Brien – Synergy Services  
Jocelyn Mourning – The Family Conservancy  
Janice Storey – Tri-County Mental Health Services

**Call to Order**

Ken Honeck called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

**Roll Call**

John McGovern called roll. Deb Hermann and Allen Dillingham were excused from the meeting. All other board members were present.

**Announcements**

John McGovern was recognized for being inducted into the Prevention Volunteer Hall of Fame.

**Approve/Amend Agenda Items**

The board reviewed the agenda for the March 16, 2022, meeting. Bruce Culley moved to approve the agenda and Pastor Robert Franseen seconded the motion. The board voted in favor 7-0.

**Approval of Minutes**

Ed O'Herin made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 16, 2022, meeting. John McGovern seconded the motion and the board voted in favor 7-0.

**Finance Report**

Bruce Culley presented the financial report for February 2022. Sales tax income in February 2022 totaled \$916,063.03, a 31.19% increase from February 2021. The total fund balance as of February 28, 2022, was \$18,939,856.11, with \$10,041,898.32 in total grants committed. With \$914,695.69 in revenue and expenses totaling \$879,916.10, total net income for February 2022 was \$34,779.59. John McGovern made a motion to approve the February financial report. Ken Honeck seconded the motion and the board voted in favor 7-0.

**Executive Director's Report**

Ms. Macken shared she visited several community and school-based project partners in March. She also attended the Smithville Community in Action meeting, Smithville Chamber of Commerce meeting and the Better Together Prevention Conference.

A second office at iWerx has been secured by the CSF and should be ready for Peggy Nichols to start using soon.

The Community-Based Services grant application is scheduled to open April 4, 2022, and will close May 13, 2022. The Programs Committee will review submissions on June 21, 2022, and anticipates decisions to be announced in July.

The School-Based Services grant application closes March 18, 2022, and will be reviewed by the Programs Committee April 21, 2022, with decisions to be announced in May.

The 2022 Budget is now available on the CSF website, including a message developed to comply with Missouri statute.

Lastly, Ms. Macken shared that a window cling of the CSF logo has been created to be displayed at buildings in the North Kansas City School District.

**Ability KC Presentation**

The board invited Sarah Murphy and Janet Padley from Ability KC to share about the impact of funding

received from the CSF. Ms. Padley gave an overview of the comprehensive medical, educational and vocational therapeutic services Ability KC provides to children of young ages and throughout their lives. The funding provided by the CSF is typically used earlier in the year when families are faced with higher copays, impacting children with disabilities that face financial and other barriers.

One hundred percent of Clay County children served gained skills to transition back to school, 90% of individualized long-term goals were achieved and 100% of children and families stayed engaged in monitoring their health with regular physician follow-up. Ability KC is on target to increase services in Clay County in 2022. Transportation continues to be the biggest barrier for families outside of the metro. Staff is continuing to try to find ways to overcome the transportation barrier.

Ms. Padley answered questions and the board thanked her for the presentation.

**Other Business**

Pastor Robert Franseen announced that the upcoming Programs Committee meetings will be in person.

**Next Meeting**

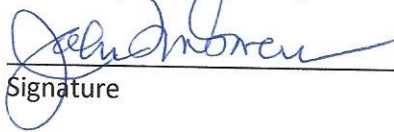
The next Board of Directors meeting is to be held on April 20, 2022.

**Adjournment**

With a motion by Pastor Robert Franseen and seconded by Bruce Culley, the meeting was adjourned at 9:26 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Afton Baxter  
Greater Kansas City Community Foundation

Board approved April 20, 2022.



John McGovern  
Printed Name

Secretary  
Title

4-22-2022  
Date