

COUNTY INSTITUTIONS COMMITTEE

Wednesday, February 14, 2018

PRESENT: E. Harriss, C. Dutton, B. Malone, L. Dalton, D. Moore, J. Futrell
ABSENT: K. Novacich-Koberna, J. Minner, N. Petrillo
OTHERS: A. Reinking, J. Roth, B. Lavite, J. Parkin, C. Ladd, C. Ellis, K. Prenzler

Ms. Dalton moved, seconded by Mr. Moore to approve the January meeting minutes.

MOTION CARRIED.

VETERANS' ASSISTANCE:

B. Lavite handed out his monthly report along with a paper showing VA disability compensation and pension recipients. While going over the compensation and pension report, Mr. Lavite explains the differences between them and breaks down the numbers stated on that handout. He passionately tells the committee how deserving Veterans are of the financials they are receiving so please refer to the audio if interested in the full statement. Aside from office business, he announced a steak dinner fundraiser for a co-worker, Devon Neal, to help with medical costs. Tickets can be purchased in the Veterans Office.

CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER:

C. Cohan was unable to attend and emailed her monthly report to the committee. Per Cohan's email, here are her monthly highlights.

"A couple highlights, we did 70 interviews in January...that's REALLY high. One week, we did 26 in a four day week! I am so thankful for the new staffing setup and the renovations so that we can accommodate times like this. Also, the renovations are mostly complete now!! I am looking forward to finalizing a few more things and working on completing furniture and decorations so that we can hopefully have an open house at the beginning of May. Krista Mansholt achieved Diplomate Status of credentialing. There is a little blurb about that in my report. And finally, we would love for everyone to join us at our Trivia Night coming up on March 3rd."

MENTAL HEALTH:

J. Roth presented her report to the committee through several handouts including her Annual Report. She was excited to say that their transfer and reallocation was approved with plans of a 6 month (June-November) contract to work with refuge for their services. She reports that the next Mental Health Meeting is March 14th. Ms. Roth was also pleased to say that the approval for the Annual Child Abuse Prevention Kick Off has gone through. On another note, Ms. Roth briefly updated the committee with the growing suicide rate in Madison County and covered some prevention training that is currently going on around the area.

MUSEUM:

To start with, J. Parkin passed out 2 handouts referencing the renovation of the Weir House. Over the long weekend, the HVAC system will be delivered and wallpaper will be removed. Mr. Parkin spoke how it has been a long time since several jobs have been audited and they are hoping to get clear and defined job descriptions with a potential increase in pay rates. Ms. Candace Ladd was invited to speak to the

committee more in depth about some of the renovations going on at the museum. She says the roof has been redone due to being damaged so badly that water was actually coming inside of the building. The structure needs numerous repairs with the plaster and the external brick needs painted to help with preservation. The renovation doesn't stop there, the electrical has to be upgraded as well. She spoke of a campaign/fundraiser for the Weir House windows with enough money to do 4 windows that cost roughly \$2,500 a piece at this time. Ms. Ladd is very enthusiastic in her vision that the end picture will consist of sponsored rooms with changing themes, new exhibits and overall returning customers.

EDUCATION:

A. Reinking passed out his monthly report and stated that they are currently doing compliance visits which he welcomed the committee to attend at any time. D. Moore asked an interesting question about what the school districts are doing in reference to school shootings. Mr. Reinking went over several procedures and training tools that the districts are doing to enforce safety and awareness if an active shooting situation arises.

Mr. Malone moved, seconded by Ms. Dalton, to approve the bills for the month. The ayes and nays are being called on the motion to approve resulted in a vote as follows:

AYES: E. Harriss, C. Dutton, B. Malone, L. Dalton, D. Moore, J. Futrell

NAYS: None.

Mr. Malone moved, seconded by Ms. Dutton, to adjourn the meeting.

MOTION CARRIED.

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