

COUNTY INSTITUTIONS COMMITTEE

Wednesday, December 12, 2018

PRESENT: M. Holliday, R. Wesley, C. Dutton, N. Petrillo, E. Foster, J. Minner, L. Dalton, M. Madison, J. Kuhn
ABSENT: D. Gray
OTHERS: C. Ellis, J. Roth, C. Cohan, B. Daiber, B. Lavite, J. Parkin

Mr. Minner moved, seconded by Ms. Dutton to approve the November meeting minutes. **MOTION CARRIED.**

VETERANS' ASSISTANCE:

B. Lavite passed out his fiscal year summary report and highlighted several areas of it. He explained that his office helps with multiple types of assistance being interim and Emergency assistance. He briefly explains what all is covered with each type. He then goes on to speak of different types of compensations that eligible Veterans may receive. Mr. Lavite concludes his report by discussing the Disabled American Veterans (DAV) section of his report. He explains that this service provides transportation to and from scheduled events in Madison County.

CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER:

C. Cohan passed out her 2017 Year in Review and briefly explained what the Center does for children and families involved in sexual abuse cases. Ms. Cohan goes over her 2017 yearly report and explains that it will be updated for the 2018 year shortly. She announced to the Committee that the Center anticipates to be under budget as a whole for the 2018 fiscal year. Ms. Cohan went on to talk about several funding topics being the Alton Women's Home Grant, Commerce Bank Grant and DCFS Grant. She reported the Harvest of Hope Event was on November 30th where Senator Haine was honored for founding the Center and his time in service. Trivia night is scheduled for March 2, 2019.

MUSEUM:

J. Parkin introduced himself to the new committee and briefly explained what he does with the Madison County Museum and Historical Society. He went on to speak about the budget being cut and expressed concern about losing staff members. Mr. Parkin pointed out that it is time to renew the lease on the Museum and is preparing for negotiations. He said this will be the 3rd lease between the Historical Society and the County.

Ms. Dalton inquired about a trip that was taken by Mary Westerhold and it was explained that it was a conference on genealogy which will help her with a large portion of her responsibilities. Mr. Parkin also went on 2 trips. The first being a conference in Detroit that focused on augmented reality and virtual reality. The second trip was to the Association for State and Local Histories in Kansas City.

EDUCATION:

Dr. Daiber presented his report and highlighted that 553 school bus drivers have been trained this year. He explained the extensive training the new drivers received along with the refresher courses the existing drivers took. He went on to speak about the 1,466 individuals that were fingerprinted through the office. Dr. Daiber wanted to thank the County Board for honoring Susan Converse, 2018 Teacher of the Year. Dr. Daiber also announced that he received notification from the State Board that they will be audited on professional development and explained what all that entails. Dr. Daiber said the Financial Audit has been accepted and approved and is available for public viewing. Per the November meeting, it was asked that Dr. Daiber provide a compliance schedule which was fulfilled and welcomed the committee to a compliance visit. He finished his report by announcing his last day will be June 30th, 2019.

MENTAL HEALTH:

J. Roth began her monthly report by familiarizing new committee members on what the Mental Health Ward is responsible for. She said for fiscal year 2019, there are currently 15 agencies and 26 programs that tend to areas from substance abuse to stigma reduction. She welcomed committee members to stop by the office at their convenience for any questions they may have. She also left a calendar of scheduled Mental Health Board meetings. There was brief discussion on a question that Mr. Holliday asked of the opioid problem, please listen to the audio if interested in that discussion.

Ms. Dalton moved, seconded by Mr. Madison, 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: R. Wesley, C. Dutton, N. Petrillo, E. Foster, J. Minner, L. Dalton, M. Madison, J. Kuhn
NAYS: None.

Ms. Dutton moved, seconded by Ms. Dalton, to adjourn the meeting. **MOTION CARRIED.**