

The Southbury Training School Board of Trustees met in Eugene Harvey's Conference Room at Southbury Training School, Southbury, Connecticut, on Monday, September 27, 2010.

Present: Ann Dougherty, Chair
Eileen Lemay, Vice-Chair
Philip K. Bondy, M.D., Secretary
Louis Richards
Ted Walen
Eugene Harvey
Excused: Mark J. Taylor, M.D.
Absent: Mark Cooper
Guests: Tom Crider, Southbury Land Trust
Sally Bondy

Ms. Dougherty called the meeting of the Southbury Training School Board of Trustees to order at 1:05 p.m.

MINUTES

All trustees via e-mail approved the June 28, 2010 minutes on July 1, 2010.

GUEST SPEAKER

Ms. Dougherty introduced the guest speaker, Tom Crider from the Southbury Land Trust, who presented the board with an update on the progress of the State of Connecticut's Farmland Preservation Advisory Board's efforts to preserve state-owned farmland. This Board has presented recommendations to the Connecticut Legislature on ways to preserve six state-owned land areas, with the farmland at Southbury Training School at the top of this list. One recommendation is to convince Governor Rell to issue an Executive Order for preservation of these farmlands by putting conservation restrictions on the properties and either sell or lease to farmers. Southbury Training School farmland continues to be leased by a local farmer. One concern expressed at the meeting was if there would be any state expense associated with this conservation effort. Tom replied that he only foresees the expense of a survey. Eugene will check with the STS Director of Facilities Management to see if there is an existing survey of the STS farmland property. He will also inform Commissioner O'Meara of the update from the Southbury Land Trust. Following a brief discussion, the Board thanked Tom for his informative presentation.

COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES

Lou Richards reported on the recent meeting of the Council on Developmental Services, which he was unable to attend. The minutes for this meeting can be obtained by going to the DDS web site: <http://www.ct.gov/dds> clicking on the Boards & Councils link, and then on the Council for Development Services.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Budget:

The Governor's budget office (the Office of Policy and Management) is required to provide the Governor-elect with a transition budget by November 15, 2010. All state agencies have been directed to submit budget reduction options totaling 15% of their FY 2012 current services budget. This means that each state agency is required to propose how it would operate with 15% less funding during FY2012, which starts on July 1, 2011. Therefore, DDS is required to submit a

plan detailing how we would operate with approximately \$150 million less in funding. Reduction proposals for STS have been sent to Central Office.

Our Overtime is under budget, and Mandatory Overtime is under control.

Cottage Closures:

The closures of Cottage 21 and Cottage 33 are going smoothly, and within two to three weeks the clients will begin moving into their new homes.

Personnel Department at STS:

The Personnel Department currently in the Administration Building at STS is scheduled to move to the Rowland Building in Waterbury. There are recommendations for the use of the empty offices in the Administration Building and will be presented at a future date upon completion of the move.

Farm I:

Farm I will be moving to Cottage 18 upon completion of renovations. Target date for move is the end of the year.

Medical Director:

Due to the resignation of Dr. Waters, Dr. Subramaniam Siva, Lead Physician, is providing supervision to the STS Doctors and nurses in the Medical Department. Interviews are scheduled for the replacement of the Medical Director.

NEW BUSINESS

Nominations for Officers of the Board:

Eileen Lemay and Philip Bondy will present recommendations for the 2010 Board of Trustees Chairpersons at the next meeting.

Ann Dougherty requested suggestions for the guest speaker for the October 25, 2010 meeting. It was recommended the Board ask a representative from Risk Management.

The next meeting of the STS Board of Trustees will be **Monday, October 25, 2010, at 1:00 p.m. in Eugene Harvey's Conference Room.**

There being no further business, Dr. Bondy moved that the meeting adjourn at 2:30 p.m., Ted Walen seconded. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Webb, Recording Secretary

Philip K. Bondy, M.D., Secretary

Approved by the STS Board of Trustees
October 4, 2010