

The Southbury Training School Board of Trustees met in Eugene Harvey's Conference Room at Southbury Training School, Southbury, Connecticut, on Monday, September 24, 2012.

Present: Eileen Lemay, Chair
Mark Cooper, Secretary
Louis Richards
Ann Dougherty
Eugene Harvey, Director, STS

Excused: Ted Walen, Vice-Chair

Eileen Lemay, Chair, called the meeting of the Southbury Training School Board of Trustees to order at 1:10 p.m.

COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES

Lou Richards reported the meeting was held on September 13, 2012. Lou agreed to remain the STS Board of Trustees representative to the council until further recommendations for a replacement can be discussed at a future date. The minutes of this council meeting are posted on the DDS website: <http://www.ct.gov/dds>, click on the Boards & Councils link, and then on the Council for Developmental Services.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Cottage 5:

Cottage 5 will reopen November 1st, accommodating ten residents from Personnel Village at this time. Some familiar staff will transfer with these individuals to their new home.

Open House for Two New Group Homes:

To celebrate the opening of two new community living arrangements for adults moving from Southbury Training School into new homes, an Open House was held September 13th for South Street, a Community Residences Inc. home in Plymouth; and on September 28th an Open House will be held for Cooper Lane, a DDS operated home in Hamden. Some familiar staff will also make the move from STS to the Hamden home. As a result of these transitions, Cottage 22 and Cottage 26 will close.

STS Foundation:

The STS Foundation office will be moved out of Crawford Hall, thus allowing the closure of this building.

Dental Clinic:

The new Dental Clinic in Roselle is expected to open the end of November, thus resulting in the closure of the Health Care Unit.

Budget:

There is a deficit of \$1.4 million in PS and \$30,000 in OE. The closures of the above mentioned buildings will greatly save on heating expenses this winter, therefore helping with the budget deficit.

OLD BUSINESS

BOT Vacancy:

The Board's recommendation for Diana Mennone as the new appointee has not been finalized with Governor Malloy. Eugene will call the Governor's office for a further update. Also two new applicants for an additional position on the Board contacted the BOT Chair. Once their resumes are received, the Chair will present at the next meeting for further discussion.

Grace Meadows Senior Housing Project:

Representatives from the Grace Meadows Senior Housing Project will continue by presenting their proposal to Central Office in Hartford.

Hospital Visit Protocol:

The Hospital Visit Protocol will begin next month.

NEW BUSINESS

Public Forum Discussion Request:

Mark Cooper met with the Democratic Town Committee Chairwoman and agreed to present to the Board a recommendation to have a representative from STS speak at a public forum regarding present and future plans for STS. After discussion it was decided not to comply with this request at this time.

The next meeting of the STS Board of Trustees will be **Monday, October 22, 2012 at 1:00 p.m. in the STS Director's Conference Room.**

There being no further business, Mark Cooper moved the meeting adjourn at 2:30 p.m., Ann Dougherty seconded. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Webb, Recording Secretary

Mark A.R. Cooper, Secretary

Approved by the STS Board of Trustees
September 27, 2012