

APPALACHIAN JUVENILE COMMISSION

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The Regular Meeting of the Appalachian Juvenile Commission was held on Friday, April 20, 2007, at 12:00 Noon, at the Southwest Culinary Institute located at 100 Piedmont Avenue, Bristol, Virginia.

Commission members present included Wayne McClelland, Chairman – Scott County; Harold Leonard – Bristol; Mike Carter – Smyth County; Robert Hagy – Buchanan County; Alice Meade – Russell County; Patricia Green – Tazewell County; C. M. Callahan – Lee County; Lanny Large – Dickenson County; and Donna Hutchinson – Norton.

Staff present included Tim Dotson, Executive Director; John Ross, Director of Highlands Branch; Diane Wright, Director of Southwest Branch; Danny Johnson, Finance Director; Faye Johnson; Mary Cross; David Clendenin; and Joe Sanders.

Commission members absent were Doug Meade- Washington County; Eric Clark - Bristol; Kevin Downs – Washington County; and Mike Roberts – Smyth County.

Mr. McClelland then asked that all present pause at Noon for a moment of silence in memory of the victims at Virginia Tech. He then read the 23rd Psalm, and all present recited the Lord's Prayer.

Approval of Minutes

Alice Meade moved that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on January 19, 2007, be approved as presented. Harold Leonard seconded the motion. All members voted in favor.

Financial Report

Danny Johnson presented the Financial Report as of March 31, 2007. He reported that the final payment of the Debt Service balance was delivered to the bank on January 31, 2007. The account was paid off five and one-half years early with a savings of \$138,176.69 in interest.

Mr. Leonard moved that the Financial Report be approved. Mrs. Hutchinson seconded the motion. All members voted in favor.

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Bristol, Buchanan, Dickenson, Lee, Norton, Russell, Scott, Smyth, Tazewell, Washington, Wise

Bank Account

Danny Johnson reported that he had met with representatives of First Bank & Trust on three occasions which consists of branches in Bristol, Lebanon, and Norton which would be convenient for staff members.

He asked that the Commission authorize him to open two bank accounts, an operating account and a capitol funds account at First Bank & Trust on a trial basis for the next few months.

Mr. Mike Carter asked if any other bank offered similar or close to what First Bank & Trust is offering and that he would like to make sure there are no repercussions.

Mrs. Alice Meade moved that Mr. Johnson's request to open an account at First Bank & Trust be approved. Mr. Lanny Large seconded the motion. All members voted in favor.

Southwest Branch Report

Mrs. Diane Wright reported that currently there are seven residents at the Girls Home, five youth on Electronic Monitoring, and fourteen on Community Service.

Highlands Branch Report

Mr. John Ross reported that the morning started with thirty-four youth in Detention. The Center received a \$500.00 Grant which was used to purchase radios. A Grant for \$10,000.00 will be used to upgrade the camera system.

Mr. Dotson stated that the video cameras at the Center are outdated. Eight to ten bids have been received ranging from \$15,000.00 to \$40,000.00. The equipment will be all digital. The wires already exist so the old equipment will need to be taken down and replaced with the new.


The CPS complaints previously reported have be "unfounded" and without merit.

There being no further business, Mrs. Hutchinson moved that the meeting be adjourned. Mrs. Green seconded the motion. All members voted in favor.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 1:30 P. M.



Tim Dotson, Executive Director



Wayne McClelland, Chairman