



KATC Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

October 27, 2017

1:00 pm

1. Welcome and Introductions

In attendance via phone: Dr. Elizabeth Sternberg

In attendance in person: Megan Brannon, Heidi Cooley-Cook, Nat McKay, Robert Pennington, Mindy Pfau, Amy Cooper-Puckett, Mike Miller, , Larry Taylor, Kellie Scott, and Laurie Spezzano

Guest: Garrett Edmison and Ray Chumbler, IV

2. Review of the KATC Advisory Board Minutes, June 23, 2017 – motion to approve the minutes made by Rob Pennington and seconded by Nat McKay.

3. Financial Report through July 31, 2017 was provided. KATC received a reduction in state general funds from the University of of \$8000. The current budget reported is \$1,131,975.89 with \$81,935.69 expended through July 31, 2017. Because one month of expenditures were reported the financial report for the next quarterly meeting will included expenses through December 31, 2017 and be a better indication of average amount being expended per month. Partnering with other state agencies over the past year has helped KATC to stretch our funds further.

Larry reported that he had been contacted by CPE and asked to submit a budget plan for a reduction of 17.4%. While this is the percentage that CPE is being asked to cut their budget, programs may receive more or less than a cut in the final budgeting process.

Laurie Spezzano made a motion to approve the financial report and Kellie Scott seconded the motion. Motion carried.

4. KATC Executive Director and Staff Updates – A position of Field Training Coordinator has been put on hold until more is learned about the budget reduction in Frankfort.

Larry announced that KATC had received the KY-VSA Community Partnership Award. This award includes \$2,000 to be used in the development of a special initiative to promote the arts for school-aged individuals with disabilities. Mindy Pfau recommended that we contact the Grayson Gallery and Art Center, Inc. in Grayson, Kentucky to determine if they are interested.

Several board members expressed a concern that KATC partnering with the University of Louisville Autism Center and other entities is positive, but at the same time the potential for KATC's mission could be lost. Larry said he would continue to convey this message to those in leadership positions at UL.

The next board meeting is tentatively set for January 26, 2018 at 10:00 am.

