## Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

Kentucky Autism Training Center Louisville, KY February 16, 2018 @ 10:00 AM

- Welcome and Introductions Attending in person: Larry Taylor, Kim Howard, Mike Miller, Diandre Glover-Thomas, Laura Ferguson, and Robert Greenway Attending via conference call: Laurie Spezzano, Coy Travis, Amy Cooper-Puckett, Meagan Brannon, Nancy Lovett, Mindy Pfau, Rob Pennington, Kellie Scott
- 2. Taylor reviewed the KATC Advisory Board Minutes, October 27, 201. Motion to accept the minutes by Nancy Lovett and seconded by Laurie Spezzano.
- 3. Taylor reviewed the Financial Report through December 2017. Motion to accept financial report made by Nancy Lovett and seconded by Laurie Spezzano.
- 4. Office of Autism (OOA) update given by Amy Cooper-Puckett. Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup> is the next quarterly meeting to be held at the Department of Education From 1-2 PM. Cooper-Puckett reviewed the OOA involvement with the "Connect the Dots" collaborative project for parent training for social and emotional health for early childhood. The training is for parents of newly diagnosed children ages 0-5. The OOA has Act Early brochures available and the new Act Early Ambassador is Christine Hausman from the University of Kentucky.
- 5. Taylor made recommendations for KATC Advisory Board and introduced three new board members. The new board members are:
  - a. Robert Greenway, Jessamine County (Parent Role/Adult)
  - b. Hope Spradlin-Daughery, McCreary County (Parent Role/School-Age)
  - c. S. Coy Travis, Louisville/Statewide, (Professional Role/All Ages)

Mike Armstrong, Jennifer Oeurdeck and Maureen Schell will be leaving the board. Motion to approve the new board members was made by Rob Pennington and seconded by Mindy Pfau. Rob Pennington has accepted a position at UNC Charlotte and will be leaving the University of Louisville in June.

- 6. KATC Executive Director and Staff Updates
  - a. Taylor reviewed the First Responders Initiative, which will include an online component and a level two training beyond awareness in the future.
  - b. Taylor discussed the Governor's proposed budget -- \$119,000 proposed state elimination for KATC. Last year KATC received an \$8,000 cut from the University bringing KATC allocation down to \$169,000 from the University.
  - c. Updates:
- 1) KATC is collaborating with the OOA to plan a Parent Summit possibly in Ashland, Lexington or Barren River.
- 2) ULAC is fundraising to expand the current facility.
- 3) ADOS training will be held at the end of March in Florence, KY.
- 7. Next KATC Advisory Board Meeting date and time will be determined by sending a poll to determine availability.

Note: The February 16, 2018 minutes are pending approval until next quarterly meeting of the KATC's Citizen Advisory Board.