



KATC Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

April 24, 2019

12:45pm -2:00pm

Rural Development Center

Somerset, KY

Attendees: Michelle Antle, Sarah Bays, Michelle Bush, Heidi Cooley-Cook, Ginevra Courtade, Tal Curry, Kim Howard, Kellie Scott and Larry Taylor

Joined via conference call: Justin Cooper, Nancy Lovett, Mindy Pfaul, Coy Travis, and Liz Steinburg

1. Welcome and greeting of everyone who is joining us in person and over the phone. (Larry)
2. Review of the KATC Advisory Board Minutes – January 17, 2019 (Larry)
 - Reviewed and approved minutes from the January 17th meeting. Motion to approve by Kim and motion seconded by Kellie
3. Financial Report Information (Larry)
 - Reviewed the attached financial report (Focus on the yellow highlighted areas). The CPE fund has a \$0 balance because the university pays benefits, charged to the budget and reimbursed the next month. KATC received \$150,000 from the state legislature deposited back into the state budget, which is a different route than previous years. Larry is using a separate account to track these funds. Additionally the funds carry over to the next year and swept but the university like other accounts.
 - Discretionary funds \$31,000 balance, \$5,000 in the RIF account.
 - By June 30th, some funds will be moved around. A motion to accept by Nancy and seconded by Justin.
4. First Responder Initiative (Heidi)
 - Training is funded by the Office of Autism grant, the grant ends June 30th. Heidi and Chad Greathouse (Louisville Fire Department Captain) conducting the trainings. In various counties there have been Meet and Greets hosted by first responders. Next upcoming Meet and Greet scheduled in Louisville, Lexington and Mount Washington. These are free trainings. View KATC website for training request forms, yellow dot program, etc.
5. Training Site Initiative – Field Training Coordinators (Sarah, Michelle Antle and Kim)
 - Fifty-three applications received and Larry and the Field Training Coordinators are reviewing the applications to decide what schools they will be in the next school year. Nancy asked the question about how schools will receive notification. Larry and the Field Training Coordinators will contact each applicant to let them know the status. Mindy asked about KVEC sites: Kim is working on building relationships with the region to foster outside supports, training for co-ops next year, and Pike county school district is currently problem solving. This has happened to many sites in the past.
6. Parent/School Support (Preschool – Adult Transitions (Larry presented for Mike Miller)
 - There has been an increased number of adults with autism contacting KATC. These individuals are leaving school and there is a lack of services for them. Mike currently has

17 active adult cases. Mike has been helping them with employment systems, educational and case management resources. Mike is also meeting with parents of newly diagnosed children with autism. Mike receives many referrals from ULAC and other organizations across the state.

7. Upcoming Events and Social Media (Michelle Bush)
 - KATC has a listserv and social media account where we communicate information about KATC and other organization events, resources and services. We have a Facebook following of over 5,000 people and twitter over 300 people. Our website is a continuous work in progress. We are open to feedback at any time. The upcoming events: Parent Summit at Kentucky Dam Village on June 11th and 12th; Parent Workshop at Jenny Wiley State on August 22th; ADOS in Bowling Green on September 19th and 20th; Assessment Training in August 27th and 28th in Georgetown.
8. Office of Autism (Tal Curry)
 - The Office of Autism collaborated with KATC, UK's Human Development Institute (HDI) and KY Vocational Rehabilitation for the Transition Summit on April 24th and 25th. Thanks to KATC staff for assisting with planning and working the event.
9. KATC Updates
 - a. College of Education Update - Dean Lingo is the current Interim Dean. Dean Larson is still with the University but no longer with the College.
 - b. Kentucky Works and Employment First – Committee will be meeting quarterly. One of the resources that the committee is working on is helping individuals calculate social security benefits. This is a 5-year grant through HDI and the committee will evaluate data to increase employment for MSD individuals by 20%. Employment 1st council's purpose is to help break down barriers in employment for individuals with disabilities.
 - c. Personnel- KATC posted a position for another School Based Field Training Coordinator; the position will be posted for 14 days. This will be a University based position and the individual will travel all over the state.
 - d. KATC Strategic Plan -KATC scheduled for a Staff Retreat at Cumberland Falls on July 15th and 17th. Larry identify a board member to attend. Seeking ideas for the strategic plan let Larry know if you have any.
 - e. KATC as an Autism Friendly Entity
 - KATC will be moving forward to become an Autism Friendly Business. There are three levels to acquire this. Level 1: 80% of staff must watch a video and answer questions. Level 2: Make accommodations for individuals with autism and Level 3: Review hiring strategies and support to hire someone with autism.
 - KATC reviewing their online presentations and is considering doing Facebook Live videos and deciding what webinars to offer using UofL's In –suite lab located in the library. As more people become comfortable with virtual presentations, KATC will move in that direction.
10. Next Board Meeting scheduled for June 11th at 2pm. Location at KY Dam Village State Park before the Parent Summit begins.