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The Appalachian Juvenile Commission met on Friday, July 28, 2006, at 12:00 Noon at the Southeast Culinary College, 100 Piedmont Avenue, Bristol, Virginia.

Commission members present included Eric Clark and Harold Leonard – Bristol; Doug Meade – Washington County; Michael Roberts and Mike Carter – Smyth County; Dawn Gilbert – Wise County; Donna Hutchinson – Norton; C. M.Callahan, Jr. – Lee County; Wayne McClelland – Scott County; and Robert Hagy – Buchanan County.

Staff present were Richard Hagy – Executive Director; Tim Dotson – Director of Highlands Branch; Diane Wright – Director of Southwest Branch; Danny Johnson – Finance Director; John Ross, Jeremy Hurley, Faye Johnson, and Mary Cross.

Mr. McClelland, Vice Chairman, opened the meeting.

## Approval of Minutes

Mr. Clark moved that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on April 21, 2006, be approved as submitted. Ms. Hutchinson seconded the motion. All members voted in favor.

### Election of Officers

Mr. Richard Hagy opened the floor for nominations for Chairman. Ms. Gilbert nominated Mr. McClelland as Chairman. Mr. Clark seconded the nomination and moved that nominations for Chairman cease. All members voted in favor. Mr. McClelland was elected Chairman by Acclamation.

Mr. McClelland opened the floor for nominations for Vice Chairman. Mr. Meade nominated Mr. Clark as Vice Chairman. Mr. Leonard seconded the nomination. Ms.. Hutchinson moved that nominations for Vice Chairman cease. Mr. Clark was elected Vice Chairman by Acclamation.

Mr. Clark moved that the Executive Director remain as Secretary/Treasurer as in the past. Mr. Leonard seconded the motion. All members voted in favor.

### Financial Report

Mr. Johnson presented the Annual Financial Highlights before the final Auditor adjustments. He explained that the June 30, 2006 financial results were affected positively by the receipt of additional revenue from the Secure Block Grant, DCJS Grants, and interest income.

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Ms. Gilbert moved that the Financial Report be approved as submitted. Mr. Leonard seconded the motion. All members voted in favor.

## General Report

Mr. Richard Hagy reported that a meeting was held on June 14, 2006, with Bristol, Washington County, and Smyth County at the request of Smyth County. All questions were answered to their satisfaction. One great year as the Appalachian Juvenile Commission has ended and the merger is working well with over 200 juveniles being served. (Population Snapshot Attached). He stated that he did not see any funding issues in the future. The Block Grant this year was distributed to the Centers who provided the most programs.

# Health Insurance for Retirees

The present retiree insurance program provides for a contribution toward retiree single coverage health insurance cost based on a minimum of 20 years of service with the Commission, a monthly cap of \$500.00, and a benefit period not to exceed 60 months or until eligible for Medicare.

The rates of participation in this program will be based on 20 years of service at 60%, 25 years of service at 80%, and 30 years of service at 100%. When this program was started on January 1, 2004, our health insurance policy from Local Choice (Anthem) did not offer a Medicare supplement product. Our current policy now offers this coverage to retirees who are eligible for Medicare.

Due to this change from Local Choice, Mr. Richard Hagy suggested the Commission consider removing the phrase "or until eligible for medicare."

Mr. Clark moved that this supplement be extended to current employees who are eligible. Ms. Gilbert seconded the motion.

Mr. Roberts moved that this item be tabled. There was no second to the motion. All members voted in favor of approval with the exception of Mr. Roberts who opposed and Mr. Carter who abstained.

#### Southwest Branch

Ms. Wright reported that the Southwest Branch is presently serving 37 youth which includes 20 Outreach, 10 Girls Home, and 7 Community Service. There is also a female from Washington County and one from Bristol residing at the Girls Home.

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# Alternatives, Outreach, Electronic Monitoring, Weekenders

Mr. Hurley presented the End of the Year Report showing total clients served, referral sources, child care days, average length of stay, average daily population and success rate for each department. (Attached).

### Grant to Place a Boy's & Girl's Club Staff at the Detention Center

Mr. Clark reported that the budget was working out in order to have one staff member come to the Center every day, and one to come as needed. These staff members will be presenting boy's and girl's club programs. This also includes 20 Laptop Computers. The program may start as early as September.

### Search Committee

Mr. McClelland stated that since Richard Hagy was retiring in January, 2007, a search committee needed to be appointed to start a recruiting and selection process.

Mr. Clark, Mr. Meade, Mr. Robert Hagy were appointed to serve with Mr. McClelland on the committee.

### Annual Regional Meeting

Mr. Clark suggested that a meeting be held this year in September or October as was held last year at the Oxbow and included Juvenile Judges, Court Service Unit Directors, Commonwealth Attorneys, City Managers, Legislators, etc. He stated that many had expressed a desire to have this meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:00 P. M.

Richard D. Hagy, Executive Director

Wayne McClelland, Chairman