

BOARD OF GARRETT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PUBLIC MEETING

Tuesday, April 20, 2021

Meeting was Held via Video Conference/Limited Seating

IN ATTENDANCE

Chairman Paul C. Edwards
Commissioner James C. Hinebaugh
Commissioner S. Larry Tichnell

County Administrator Kevin G. Null

ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION

❖ **Garrett County Civil Service Board - Board Appointments/Reappointments**

The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Hinebaugh, which was seconded by Commissioner Tichnell, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, appointed/reappointed the following individuals:

Appoint

R. Lamont Pagenhardt – 2 Year Term

Reappointments

Jack R. Turney – 3 Year Term

Andrew M. Sauder – Employee Representative – 2 Year Term

Official letters will be sent to all appointees under the signature of Chairman Edwards outlining the terms of appointment

❖ **Real Property Exemption**

The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Chairman Edwards, which was seconded by Commissioner Tichnell, and made unanimous by Commissioner Hinebaugh, approved a real property exemption for Fiscal Year 2022 for the following properties:

1. Catholic Charities Senior Communities – Backbone Housing, Inc.

2. Garrett County Community Action Committee, Inc. Properties:

- 41 High View Drive, Oakland, MD - Overlook Early Child Education Center
- 125 Durst Circle, Grantsville, MD – Grantsville Senior Center
- 112 Liberty Street, Oakland, MD – Transportation Museum
- 360 West Liberty Street, Oakland, MD – Liberty Street Center
- 234 Mail Street, Kitzmiller, MD – Former M & T Bank building
- 225 Frances Sanders Lane, Oakland, MD - Transit Maintenance Facility
- 606 P Street, Mtn. Lake Park, MD – Vacant Lot Reserved for future Meadows Senior Center
- 201 Main Street, Accident, MD – Flowery Vale Center
- 203 South Street, Accident, MD – Accident Head Start Center

❖ **Declaration of Surplus County Property** – In accordance with Section 8-105 - Declaration of Surplus Property of the Garrett County Purchasing Policy, the Board of County Commissioners must declare items as surplus prior to the disposition/sale.

Brian Bowers, Purchasing Agent, Garrett County Purchasing Department, presented the Board of County Commissioners with a list of surplus vehicles and equipment, with the majority to be sold as scrap to a recycler/salvage yard based on its condition.

The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Hinebaugh, which was seconded by Commissioner Tichnell, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, declared the items presented as surplus.

CALL TO ORDER OF PUBLIC SESSION at 4:05 PM

PRAYER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Invocation by Pastor Jeff Kroll

PUBLIC SESSION

1. Mr. Null indicated there was no addition or deletion to the Public Meeting Agenda. The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Hinebaugh, which was seconded by Commissioner Tichnell, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, approved the Public Meeting Agenda for April 20, 2021.
2. The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Tichnell, which was seconded by Commissioner Hinebaugh, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, approved the Public Meeting Minutes of April 5, 2021.
3. **Update on County Response to COVID-19:** Robert Stephens, Garrett County Health Officer provided an update on COVID-19 and vaccine.
 - Case rate is 14.8%, (4.8% the prior week) and Positivity Rate is 6.89%, which is higher than the State rate for the first time in six weeks. The increase is related to the UK variant, which is more contagious, but does not necessarily cause more serious symptoms.
 - Over 9,800 people have received the vaccine.
 - Without the help and support of volunteers the program would not have been as successful.
 - More opportunities for people to get a vaccination over the next three weeks:
 - Mass Vaccination beginning Tuesday, April 27, 2021. A mobile vaccination clinic will be open from Tuesday thru Saturday, 11:30 AM-7:00 PM at the GCC Technologies Building parking lot located in the Southern Garrett Industrial Park.
 - Working with EMS and FEMA for a GOVAC team to target communities by holding clinics in fire departments, churches, or similar community centers.
 - Within three weeks, anyone who wants a vaccination should be able to get one.
 - Johnson & Johnson Vaccine. Out of an abundance of caution, the vaccine has been paused due to adverse reactions in 6 out of 6 million doses administered. To put in perspective, 1 in 6 million had an adverse reaction while 1 in 750 people in Maryland died from COVID.
 - The Moderna vaccine will be used at the Mass Vaccination Clinic, at least for the first week. If Johnson & Johnson is approved, it could be used the second week. If you receive your first shot at the Clinic, they will return to administer the second dose; however, you can also receive the second shot at the Heath Department Clinics.
4. **Proclamations:**
 - ❖ National Day of Prayer – May 6, 2021
 - ❖ Child Abuse Prevention Month – April 2021
5. **2021 Garrett County Tax Sale Date & Time – Resolution 2021 – 1**

In accordance with the Annotated Code of Maryland - Tax Property - § 14-808, the Board of Garrett County Commissioners set the date and time of the County tax sale to be held as an online auction at <https://garrett.marylandtaxsale.com>. The online auction will begin on Tuesday, June 1, 2021 at 10 a.m.

and close on Friday, June 25, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. Tax auction details can be found on the Garrett County Government website.

The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Tichnell, which was seconded by Commissioner Hinebaugh, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, adopted Resolution # 2021 - 1.

6. **Garrett County Department of Public Works – Utilities Division – Water & Sewer Master Plan Amendments**

The Board of County Commissioners conducted a Public Hearing on April 5, 2021, on proposed amendments to the Garrett County Water and Sewer Master Plan (Rosedale Services Area Creation and Service Area Boundary Change – Public Sewer Service). At that time, the Board determined to keep the public commentary record open for a two (2) week period to consider any public commentary. No comments were received.

The Board, on a motion by Commissioner Hinebaugh, which was seconded by Commissioner Tichnell, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, approved the amendments by Resolution 2021 – 2 and Resolution 2021 - 3.

7. **ROAD NAME RESOLUTION – Resolution RN21-1**

Garrett County Department of Planning & Land Management – Approval of names for two new roads in the Rocklick Creek Estates Development:

- ❖ Freedom Drive
- ❖ Freedom Ridge

The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Tichnell, which was seconded by Commissioner Hinebaugh, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, adopted Resolution RN 21-1.

8. The Garrett County Purchasing Department presented the following recommendation:

Bid #21-0408CS – Crushed Stone Aggregates

Five (5) Bids were received for this Bid: Maryland Minerals, George’s Creek Stone, Keystone Lime, Allegany Aggregates, and Fairfax Concrete.

After reviewing the Bids for compliance with administrative requirements and based on the feedback from County departments, the Garrett County Purchasing Department recommended that based on the bid prices, location of the project, and hauling costs, each bid will be evaluated and purchased in the best interest of the County. Specifics of the award are on file with the Purchasing Department.

The total cost of Stone to be used in a project is the sum of the bid price and the hauling cost. The Garrett County Department of Public Works - Roads Division and Garrett County Department of Solid Waste & Recycling will determine which plant to purchase the asphalt based upon the location of the job.

Bid #21-0408 – Plumbing Services

Two (2) Bids were received: BYCO Enterprises, Inc. (\$70.00 Labor – 15% Material Markup) and Rush Services (\$78.00 Labor – 20% Material Markup).

After reviewing the Bids for compliance with administrative requirements and based on the feedback from the Department of Facilities & Maintenance, the Garrett County Purchasing Department recommended awarding the Bid to BYCO Enterprises, Inc. at \$70.00 Labor – 15% Material Markup.

The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Hinebaugh, which was seconded by Commissioner Tichnell, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, approved the Bid Awards as recommended.

9. Garrett County Department of Economic Development - Applicants for Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) funded projects made presentations to the Board of County Commissioners.

The following Three (3) projects were presented for the Appalachian Regional Commission Fiscal Year 2022 Project Requests:

- Garrett College – IT Infrastructure Project V – Dallas Ouellette
- The Maryland Salem Children’s Trust, Inc. – Residential/Educational Program – Connie Myers
- Board of County Commissioners – Oakland Trout Run Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant – Cindy Sharon

* Information is Attached

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

10. The Board of Garrett County Commissioners announced that the next Public Meeting will be held on Monday, May 3, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. via live stream and limited seating.
11. Public Meeting, Tuesday, May 18, 2021 will begin at 4:00 p.m. at Garrett College

ADJOURNMENT: The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Tichnell, which was seconded by Commissioner Hinebaugh, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, adjourned the Public Meeting at 5:00 P.M.

Attest:

By Order of the Board,

KEVIN G. NULL
County Administrator

PAUL C. EDWARDS, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners



GRAFTON
INTEGRATED HEALTH NETWORK



*The Maryland Salem
Children's Trust, Inc.*

Two regional not-for-profits have come together to bring much needed services to Maryland for youth with intellectual disability, developmental delay and/or autism. Grafton will provide administrative and technical support to replicate its innovative programming in Garrett County.



Partnership



*The Maryland
Salem Children's
Trust, Inc.*

About Salem:

- **In 1979, The Maryland Salem Children's Trust was created, based on Christian principals, to provide a home, family, therapy, and educational services for children in need due to family instability (including children who have been abused or neglected), and/or emotional disability.**
- **Salem has made a positive impact on hundreds of youth over the 41 years of operation.**
- **At the outset of the Covid-19 pandemic, Salem had become unsustainable due to a declining referral base, a severely limited per diem rate, and high operational costs in managing the program. These many factors contributed to its closure in June of 2020.**
- **Because of ever-increasing operational costs, advances in technology and infrastructure, while necessities to the residential and educational programs, were pushed to the "back-burner." Much of Salem's technology is outdated, and even obsolete.**
- **Salem began partnership talks with Grafton in May of 2020.**



Partnership



About Grafton:

- **Grafton has been a provider of therapeutic residential and educational services to youth with complex disabilities for more than 60 years.**
- **Based in Winchester, Virginia, Grafton employs more than 750 staff members between 5 locations and its services reach more than 3,000 clients each year.**
- **Grafton is licensed by the Virginia Department of Behavior Health and Developmental Services, and the Virginia Department of Education and accredited by Cognia and CARF.**
- **Grafton pioneered a trauma-informed approach to working with children with intellectual disability, developmental delay and/or autism that has led to a national consulting arm (Ukeru) at work currently with over 300 providers in 35 States.**

An Integrated System of Care

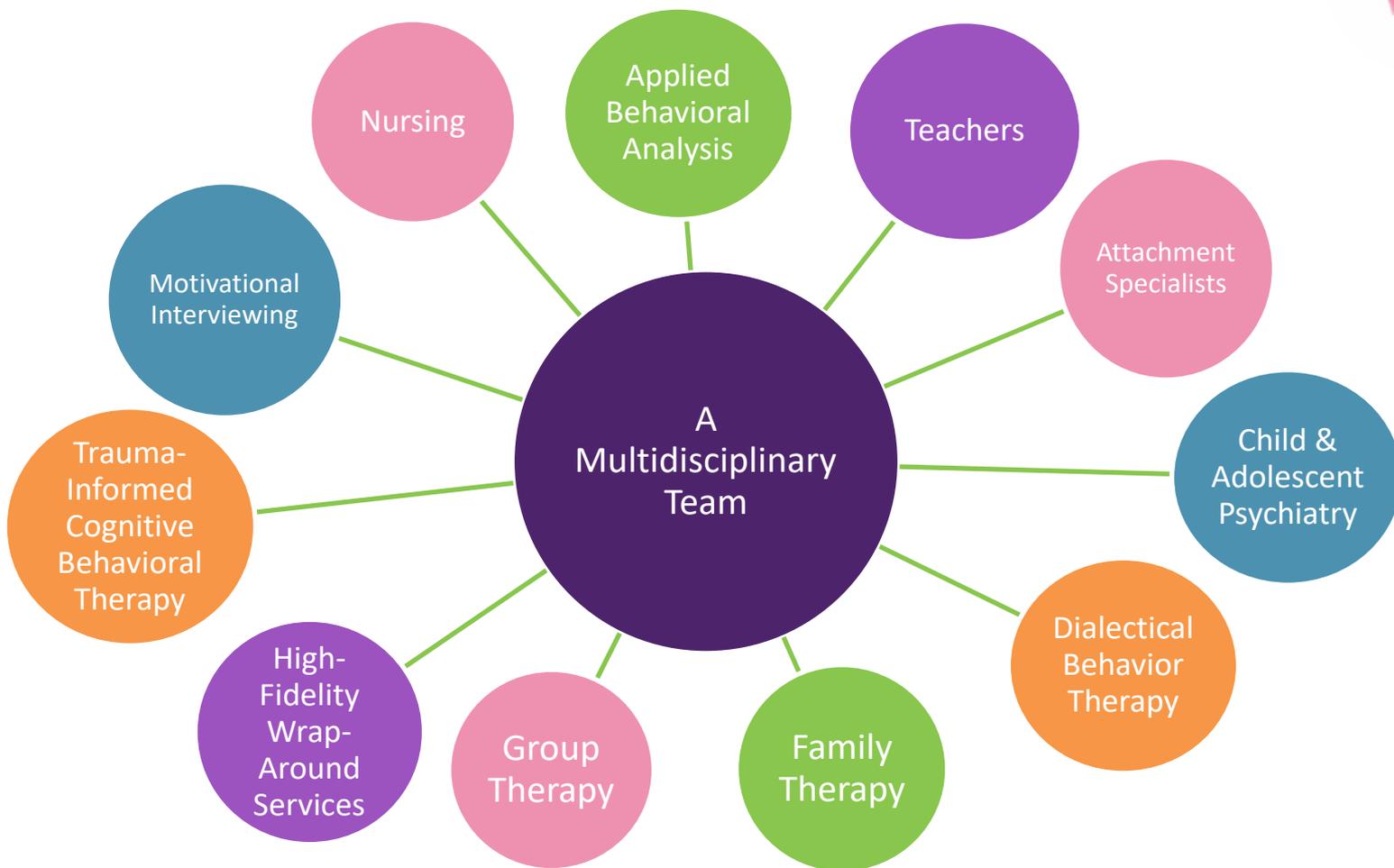


Grafton's Philosophy of Care



www.ukerusystems.com

The use of an electronic health record (EHR) and data warehouse support the work the clinical team. It is essential for the clinical model of care...supported by technology infrastructure and **DRIVEN BY DATA.**



Treatment Planning...requires technology and broadband access. Like so many software services now, the EHR and Data Warehouse are “in the cloud, making broadband a necessity!

Treatment Plan Details - Test, Winston

Sign Tti Plan | Print Tti Plan | Close Tti Plan

Other + | Save Goal | Close Goal

Setup Details | **Treatment Plan from Details** | **Goal Setup** | **Intervention Objectives**

Treatment Plan

- Services (4)
 - Activities of Daily Living (1)
 - Disruption
 - Goals (1)
 - Evidence Based Practices (2)
 - Intervention Objectives (3)
 - Goals (1)
 - Evidence Based Practices (2)
 - Intervention Objectives (2)
 - Goals (1)
 - Evidence Based Practices (1)
 - Intervention Objectives (1)
 - Add a New Problem

Linked Medications

Individualized: YES
Not Complete:

Reason Not Complete:

Goal#: In all environments, Winston will engage in disruptive behavior (calling out, banging objects, verbally threatening or taunting others) 7 or less times per week.

What was the Behavior? Disruption

Effective Date: 01 APR 2019 | Date Completed:

Baseline Target Rating: 14 | Data Tracking Method: Discrete (i.e. count each incident)

Mastery Duration/Weeks: 4 weeks | Tracking Frequency: (Leave Blank for "As Needed")

Target Rating: 7 | Target Date: 08 JUL 2019 | 30 | 45 | 60 | 90 | 120 | 180 | 365

Status: Accepted

Individualized: YES
Not Complete:

Count of Behavior Events Over time - Full Scope

Grafton Integrated Health Network - EHR Powered by Welligent

Client Search | Welligent | Reports | Billing Manager | My Alerts | Log

Home & Community Manager | **Test, Winston T** | Welcome back, Scott Zetter | Action

Client: Winston T Test (DOB: 01-May-2005) (14 yrs 0 mths)
Client ID: 4351780

Behavioral Health Events - Test, Winston | Tracking Data | All Entries | Print | Analysis | Report | Save

What was the Behavior?

What happened right before the behavior?

What was the Intensity?

When did it occur? (DateTime): 17 MAY 2019 03:16pm

Location: Last Test Group Home

How long did this behavior last?

Person Who Observed/Documented Behavior: ZETTER, SCOTT

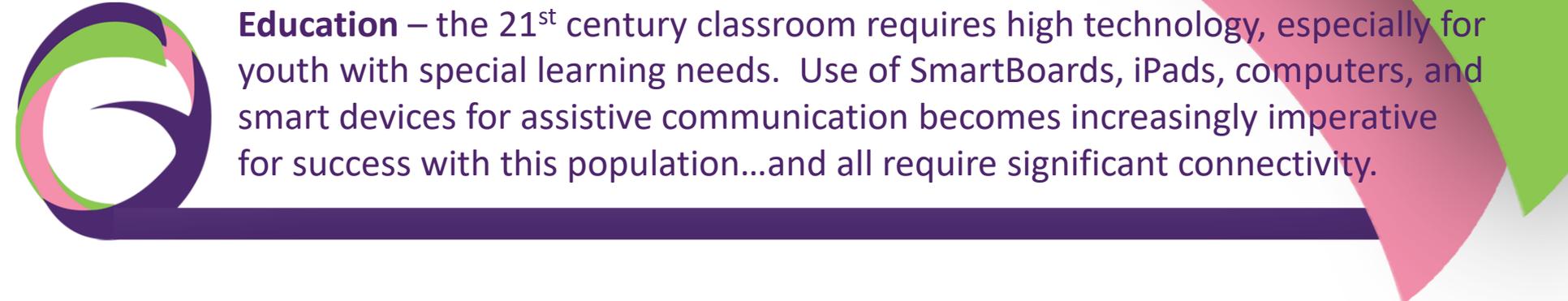
Notes:

Interventions

| # | Intervention | Was it Successful? |
|---|----------------------|-------------------------------------|
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| 2 | <input type="text"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 3 | <input type="text"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

No picture is available for this individual.

Frequency of Behavior Events By Week



Education – the 21st century classroom requires high technology, especially for youth with special learning needs. Use of SmartBoards, iPads, computers, and smart devices for assistive communication becomes increasingly imperative for success with this population...and all require significant connectivity.





ARC Investment Goal 3: Critical Infrastructure – Invest in Critical Infrastructure
State Objective 3.2: Continue development of a modern communication network
State Strategy 3.2.2: Develop, support, and maintain infrastructure for broadband

What our Partnership will bring to Garrett County:

- **Businesses created and strengthened** – This partnership will create a unified program that meets and supports the needs of a growing population of children with disabilities. Grafton's programming in Virginia is already viewed as a Center of Excellence in the area of residential and educational programming for this target population. It is Grafton's intention to continue to innovate that Center of Excellence model by leveraging the beautiful environs of Garrett County, Salem's equestrian programming (already in place), and the many leisure and vocational resources of our community.
- **Job created** – It is anticipated that there will be an immediate need for recruitment and hiring of 25-30 qualified professionals. As the program continues to grow, it is anticipated that an additional 30-40 personnel will be hired within one year of opening.
- **Students, workers, and leaders improved** – All personnel will be trained in Grafton's proven model of care and education, including Grafton's trademarked innovative techniques. These techniques are already being trained in over 250 organizations throughout the United States and Canada.
- **Businesses and households with access to improved infrastructure** – Maryland Salem Children's Trust will need to expend significant resources in order to bring sufficient infrastructure to this project. All renovation and infrastructure supports will be locally sourced. The program will also provide a local resource for the community's youth with special needs.
- **Communities with enhanced capacity** – This project will enhance this community significantly. Children's families will be encouraged to visit, bringing visitors to the county, and the program encourages the integration of the children into the community on a regular basis.