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***** MEETING MINUTES *****

Minutes of the May 21, 2009, Board Meeting

Attendance:

*Leon E. Ashford, Ph.D.
William Edwin Dodson, M.D.
Robert Franken
Marguerite E. Grandelious
Ruby Jones
Caroline Korybut
Nina R. North Murphy
Brooke Sehy
Jason Spaetti*

Don Cuvo, Executive Director

The meeting was chaired by President Marguerite E. Grandelious.

Community Comments – Jo Curran, Voices for Children, updated Trustees about the activities and services provided to children in foster care.

Minutes – Minutes of the March 2009, meeting were approved as mailed.

Quarterly Financial Report – Carl Toler reviewed the Financial Report for the period ending March 2009. After responding to questions, the Financial Report was approved.

Prior to discussion of any application, Don Cuvo collected *Disclosure of Conflict of Interest* forms from Trustees. Jason Spaetti indicated a conflict with MERS/Goodwill. He left the room during subsequent discussion of that agency's application.

Resolution to Approve Grant to ARCHS to Provide Management of After School

Programs

Don Cuvo introduced Wendell Kimbrough, Executive Director of ARCHS, who was present to answer questions related to their application to provide management services for 10 after school programs, currently funded by MHB and operated by community agencies. Don said the primary purpose of entertaining this proposal was to show solidarity with the Mayor's *After School for All Program (ASAP)*, which designated ARCHS to manage and expand after school programs in the city. The application was approved.

Resolution to Approve Community Children's Services Fund Investments – The first item was the MERS/Goodwill proposal. While Jason Spaetti was out of the room, Trustees voted to approve the application. Next, was a motion to approve all remaining applications recommended by four Board committees which reviewed the 41 applications. Board Counsel Bill Kuehling was asked for an opinion on whether the Children's Fund statute would permit the funding of lawyers to provide legal educational advocacy for foster children in institutional care. He said, on the surface, it appeared to be legal, but asked for more time to review the application. A decision on that application was tabled. All other applications recommended by committees were approved for investment.

A Roll Call vote was taken to close the meeting pursuant to Section 610.021(1) and (3) to discuss privileged communication with counsel and certain personnel matters.