

**HIGHLIGHTS OF EAST MISSOURI ACTION AGENCY, INC.**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
**MONDAY, OCTOBER 28<sup>TH</sup>, 2024**

NOTE: The regularly scheduled meeting of the East Missouri Action Agency Board of Directors was held October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 903 E. Chestnut, Desloge, Missouri and via zoom.

The dinner began at approximately 6:15 p.m. and the Board was called to order at approximately 6:45 p.m. A quorum was present at the Board meeting. The following highlights of actions taken by the EMAA Board of Directors during this meeting.

1. **Review of Agenda:** Approved as presented.
2. **Review and Approval of Minutes:** The Board reviewed and approved the 9-23-2024 Board of Directors Regular Meeting Minutes. A motion to approve was made and a second was heard. The motion carried.
3. **Executive Director Report:** Keri McCrorey provided a verbal overview of her written report in the Board briefing book.
4. **Information Items:** Members reviewed the following:
  - A. Head Start Enrollment-Screenings-CACFP-Attendance – September 2024
  - B. Customer Satisfaction Survey Results
5. **Consent Calendar Items:**  
No consent calendar items for the month.
6. **Action on Committee Reports:** as follows
  - A. **Personnel / Equal Opportunity Committee:**
    1. Personnel Action Reports – August 2024. Informational purposes only.
  - B. **Finance Committee:**
    1. Travel Report – September 2024. This was for informational purposes only.
    2. Agency Credit Card Statements – September 2024. Informational purposes only
    3. Financial Reports – Greg Shinn presented the August 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024. This was for informational purposes only
    4. Weatherization Program Discussion: The Weatherization Program is experiencing financial issues. Dave Scheck, Weatherization Program Manager, is working on a plan.
    5. Housing Choice Voucher Program Discussion: Travis Rash addressed the concerns to the board about the Housing Choice Voucher Program. HUD recently had budget cuts and withdrew a large sum of funding from this program. He said it was not isolated to EMAA as it is happening

in many other PHA's also. EMAA is taking all measures in creative problem solving. There have been Public Service Announcements being made and many letters have been mailed to clients. It is unfortunate but some of the clients have been removed from the program therefore losing their housing assistance. He has been able to secure some funding back and has applied for another sum of funding.

**C. Program Committee:**

1. Proposed Approval of EMAA's FY24 Strategic Plan/Work Plan Update: The Executive Director and the Community Services Director recommends the EMAA Board of Directors approve EMAA's CSBG FY24 September 24 Strategic Plan/Work Plan updated. A motion to approve was made and a second was heard. The motion carried.
2. Proposed Approval of EMAA's FY25 CSBG Work Plan: The Executive Director and Community Service Program Director recommend that the EMAA Board of Directors approve EMAA's CSBG Work Plan. A motion to approve was made and a second was heard. The motion carried.
7. **Report by Sarah Thurman, Board Liaison to Head Start/Early Head Start Policy Council:**  
Sarah was not able to attend the most recent meeting.
8. **Old Business:**
  - A. Calendar of Future Board of Directors Decisions for 2025
  - B. Tentative Schedule of Future Board Meetings for 2025
9. **New Business:** There was no new business.
10. **Open Meeting – Comments:**
  - A. Guest Speaker, Liz Yokely with aging matters presented some details regarding aging matters. Specifically what they do and how they are funded. It was informational for EMAA Board Members.
  - B. Nicolle Hahn provided some updates to the board regarding recent events and upcoming events. The SEMO BH golf tournament brought in approximately \$12k in unrestricted dollars to the agency. The food truck is here and now has 11 students enrolled in the program. The green house is about to start growing again soon. Perryville location is one of the finalist for as a grant recipient. Agency is pushing social media stronger. NAP Tax credits are still available.
11. **Notice of Closed Session:**
12. **Report from closed meeting:**
13. **Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned approximately 7:35 pm.

NOTE: A full copy of the Board of Directors meeting minutes are available upon request Monday through Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Contact Debbie Myers, Executive Secretary, at 573.431.5191 ext. 1142 or via e-mail at [dmyers@eastmoaa.org](mailto:dmyers@eastmoaa.org)