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**MINUTES OF LUCAS COUNTY CHILDREN SERVICES BOARD**  
**Special Meeting Held June 27, 2024**

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The Special meeting of the Lucas County Children Services Board was held at 301 Adams Street, 2:00 P.M., in person and via Zoom.

Members Present: Dr. Cowell, Ms. McCollough, Mr. Meyer, Mr. Ridi, Mr. Walrod and Ms. Vasquez

Member(s) Absent: Ms. Easterly, Ms. Gagnon (Zoom), Rev. Dr. Perryman, and Mr. Schinharl

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Dr. Cowell called the June 27, 2024, special meeting of the LCCS Board to order. Roll Call was taken. A quorum was present.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A motion was made by Mr. Ridi to go into Executive Session to discuss the revised code. Ms. Vasquez seconded the motion.

A roll Call was taken, and all members were present except for Ms. Easterly, Ms. Gagnon (Zoom), Rev. Dr. Perryman, and Mr. Schinharl. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

**OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION/OPEN SESSION**

Mr. Walrod made a motion to come out of the Executive Session. Mr. Ridi seconded the motion.

A roll Call was taken, and all members were present except for Ms. Easterly, Ms. Gagnon (Zoom), Rev. Dr. Perryman, and Mr. Schinharl. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Levy Discussion**

Lucas County Children Services has been relying on asking for a 1.8 mill Levy Renewal and 1.5 mill Levy Increase to be put on the upcoming ballot. After finding out on Monday that LCCS will not be able to add the renewal and the increase together, LCCS is seeking a motion of the board to accept just a 1.5 mill new levy to be put on the ballot for this coming November. LCCS was under the impression that the renewal and the increase was an exception to the rule, allowing us to put this on the ballot a year early due to the nature of finances. Projections showed that LCCS could not wait until 2025 because of the increase in costs. After the Citizens Levy Review Committee considered the justification and submitted their recommendation to the board of County Commissioners, they have identified an issue that renders our 1.8 Renewal and the 1.5 increase contrary to statute. After many deliberations, LCCS has decided that with Ohio Law not being clear, the best avenue would be to add the new levy this year and go back in 2025 to request the renewal.

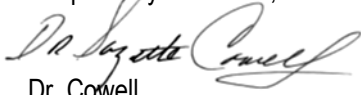
Mr. Ridi made a motion for LCCS to go back to the Citizen Levy Review Committee and add just the 1.5 Mil New levy to the 2024 November ballot. Ms. McCollough seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn by Ms. Vasquez.  
Seconded by Mr. Meyer

The meeting is adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Dr. Cowell".

Dr. Cowell  
Board Chair