

**WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE**  
**AUGUST 24, 2015**  
**NOT APPROVED**

**Committee Members Present:** C. Jessup, D. Fanton, P. Curran, K. Graves, D. Healy, T. Hopkins, LaForge, D. Pullen, D. Root, C. Crandall

**Others Present:** L. Ballengee, H. Budinger, J. Budinger, S. Burt, D. Decker, V. Grant, L. Gridley, R. Hollis, T. Miner, B. Riehle, T. Ross, C. Santora, D. Scholes, R. Scott, B. Thierman, N. Ungermann, J. Wood

**Media Present:** No media present

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Ways & Means Committee Chairman Charles Jessup.

**Approval of Audit**

Committee members reviewed the August 24, 2015, audit of claims in the amount of \$3,544,715.98 (including prepaid bills). A motion was made by Legislator Graves, seconded by Legislator Healy, and carried to forward the audit to the full Board for approval of payment.

**Repeal of Resolution 179-15 (Acceptance & Appropriation of NYS Office of Temporary & Disability Assistance for the Provision of Supportive Employment Service to Eligible Non-custodial Parents)**

Resolution No. 179-15, Acceptance and Appropriation of New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance for the Provision of Supportive Employment Services to Eligible Noncustodial Parents, which was offered by the Human Services, Planning & Economic Development, and Ways & Means Committees was passed at the Board meeting on August 10, 2015. That resolution read as follows:

“RESOLVED:

“1. That the sum of \$45,792 in New York State Office of Temporary Disability Assistance funding for the provision of supportive employment services to eligible noncustodial parents is accepted.

“2. That the sum of \$45,792 is placed in Account No. A6010.476 (Social Services Admin.– Contractual Expense) with a like sum credited to Revenue Account No. A6010.4610.00 (Social Services Admin. - Federal Aid).”

Since that time, it was noted that the sum of \$45,792 was incorrect; thus, Resolution 179-15 should be repealed. The Committee repealed Resolution 179-15 on a motion by Legislator LaForge, seconded by Legislator Fanton, and carried. Subsequently, Resolution 179-15 should be replaced with the following:

**RESOLVED:**

1. That Resolution 179-15 is hereby repealed
2. That the sum of \$46,792 in NYS Office of Temporary Disability Assistance funding for the provision of supportive employment services to eligible noncustodial parents is accepted

3. The funds shall be appropriated as follows:

Appropriation Accounts

A6010.101 (Social Services-Personnel Services)	\$ 5,412
A6010.402 (Social Services-Mileage)	720
A6010.407 (Social Services-Supplies)	500
A6010.476 (Social Services-Contractual Expenses)	33,235
A6010.482 (Social Services-Contractual Expenses)	<u>6,925</u>
	\$46,792

Revenue Account

A6010.4610.00 (Social Services-Federal Aid)	\$46,792
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The correct resolution was approved on a motion by Legislator LaForge, seconded by Legislator Graves, and carried. **Prepare Resolution**

**REFERRALS FROM OTHER COMMITTEES**

**Request to Fill Position**

At the last Planning & Economic Development meeting, Employment and Training Director Reita Sobeck-Lynch requested permission to hire a temporary Senior Employment & Training Counselor (AFSCME, Grade: 17, Step: Base-7) because the employee that holds this position has been on medical leave for six months and continues to be until further notice. During this time, our OTDA partner has been cut to half time here. This has created an additional work load for counselors who have shared this work for six months and are overloaded. The source of funding for this position is 80 percent Federal dollars and 20 percent DSS dollars. This position will allow E&T to decrease the wait for services such as assessment, resumes, job search and referrals and documentation. Existing and current clients engaged in work or training activities will not benefit from staff monitoring progress toward customer goals. Customers will be served more efficiently and counselor will not incur any overtime related to the absence of this position. This position is in the 2015 Budget and is funded by the Workforce Investment Act & DSS. The request was approved on a motion by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator Root, and carried. **Notify Human Resources**

**Attorney/Client Session**

The Committee entered attorney/client session at 1:03 p.m. on a motion by Legislator Root, seconded by Legislator Fanton, and carried. The Committee exited attorney/client session at 1:25 p.m. on a motion by Legislator Graves, seconded by Legislator Fanton, and carried.

**New Business**

Clerk of the Board Brenda Rigby Riehle introduced Rebecca Scott of Belmont, who has joined her staff and will be assuming the role of Secretary to the Clerk of the Board on September 1, 2015.

**Good of the Order**

Legislator Hopkins noted there will be a caucus at 1:30 p.m.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 1:28 p.m. following a motion by Legislator Graves, seconded by Legislator Root, and carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Cynthia Santora, Secretary to the Clerk of the Board  
Allegheny County Board of Legislators