1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Janice Hall, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m. Present at the meeting were: Tom Weaver, Vice Chair; Roy Cherry, Treasurer; Bob Heinzerling, Secretary; Than Johnson, Immediate Past Chair; Diane Beastrom; Pat Colombo; Roger Fortener; Adam Guinther; Becky Lemasters; Michael Malone; Donna Merrill; Jori Milliken; Matt Ottiger; Debbie Schmieding; Jamie Steele; and John Swanson. Also present were OPRA Staff: Mark Davis, President; Anita Allen, Vice-President; Teri Derry, Director of Training and Professional Development; and Jeff Davis, Director of Government Relations.

1. **MINUTES**

December 11 and 30, 2013 minutes deferred until January board meeting.

1. **POLICY COMMITTEE**

Debbie Schmieding gave the Policy Committee report. There was no meeting in January. February’s Policy Committee meeting will focus on workforce. Rep Cheryl Grossman is scheduled to attend for the workforce discussion. The February meeting will also focus on working with self advocates to “own” their own ISP’s.

1. **LEADERSHIP PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**Jamie Steele and Jeff Davis presented a leadership training program, “OPRA’s Leadership Into the Future Training”. The presentation is posted on the board web site. It will begin in May 2014, entail bimonthly meetings for 1 year with 8 – 10 (maximum) participants.
2. **IMAGINE PROJECT – GUEST PRESENTATION BY TARA NICODEMUS AND THERESA VERNON**

The Imagine presentation has been posted on the OPRA board web site. Discussion about the Imagine project occurred throughout the presentation.

1. **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

No report from Finance Committee this month.

1. **RECOGNITIONS**

Janice and the rest of the board welcomed Diane Beastrom to the board.

1. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Michael Malone moved, Roy Cherry seconded and motion carried to accept Consent Agenda with “A.4” and “E” taken off of consent agenda.

1. **HCBS WAIVERS – DEFINITION OF COMMUNITY**

This is item E pulled from the consent agenda for board discussion. Mark Davis discussed the process for getting comments to CMS on the new regulations for HCBS waivers – definition of community. Mark will send comments to ANCOR for inclusion in ANCOR’s comments, as well as send OPRA comments directly to CMS. CMS is to issue subregulatory guidance before the regulations become effective on March 17, 2014.

1. **MEMBERSHIP AND MEMBER SERVICES**

Jeff Davis reminded the board of the 2014 membership retention communication and strategy. Jeff discussed the role of board members in this strategy and distributed a prospective members list for each OPRA district to board members. Board members will reach out to these prospective members and report their progress to Jeff.

1. **BEHAVIOR SUPPORT RULE**

This is item A.4 pulled from the consent agenda for board discussion. Anita Allen is gathering support for our position on the proposed changes to the behavior support rule. Anita has asked for feedback from ICF providers by 2/14/14.

1. **OTHER**

An event for Representative Sears will be held in the Toledo area on January 23rd around lunchtime.

1. **ADJOURNMENT**

Tom Weaver motioned to adjourn the meeting. Janice Hall adjourned the meeting at 2:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bob Heinzerling

Secretary