

Board of Directors,

Here are a few highlights over the past month:

- Since my last report, Marklund has received a whopping **\$2.2M** from the State of Illinois. This is double what we received last month! Our aging for Residential and Developmental Training, through June 30, stands at \$3.7M; this is \$700K less than last month. We currently owe \$240K on our line of credit and have over \$4.7M available.
- The state **FINALLY passed a budget for FY18** – its first in two years - which is good news for the entire NFP sector but unfortunately it did not contain ANY of the much needed reforms demanded by the Governor. This budget may have kept the state from continuing to devolve for now but it did nothing to change fundamental issues – worker’s comp, property tax, pension reform, school funding, reimbursement rates, etc. It appears to have left our rate intact (as it has every year since 1996!) and increased our PSPs (Personal Support Professionals) by 75 cents/hour. We are waiting to see the complete details on the rate increase but, unfortunately, we do know that the increase is only for one year. I know – crazy!
- The construction of the **Marklund Day School – Elgin** expansion is done! It turned out beautifully. We are now waiting on the Certificate of Occupancy from Elgin. We have submitted our application to the Illinois State Board of Education for the new campus. The two new class rooms are scheduled to open in August.
- The **35<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Classic** was a great success. It was our largest yet – netting over \$200K! It is particularly remarkable since we had to scramble since last fall when we first found out that Indian Lakes was shutting down their golf course and conference center. I want to thank **Bill Dolen** and **George Webster** for all of their efforts as part of the golf committee.
- The base for the new **Marklund sign** at the Wasmond Center in Elgin was poured this week and the sign will be installed very soon. We have started the process of **rebranding** all of our Marklund vehicles. We are anticipating the installation of all our new signs, including the Geneva and Bloomingdale campuses, along with the vehicles completed this month.
- I want to thank **Jeff Blanchette** for leading an enthusiastic group of 25 volunteers from BMO Harris on June 14 at the Geneva campus.
- Please welcome our new and continuing Officers/Members of Executive Committee:
  - Duane Fitch**, Chair of Board/Governance
  - Frank Murnane, Jr.**, Vice Chair of Board
  - Mike Herlihy**, Treasurer/Finance
  - Jeff Risch**, Secretary
  - Jim Armbruster**, Development
- I have attached the **FY18 Calendar** of Events that was handed out at the Board meeting last week. All of the event that are underlined are for the entire board and should already be in your Outlook calendar. I encourage you to attend as many of the other events as your personal/professional calendar allows.

- The **Board Retreat** will be held on **Friday, August 18**. We will meet at the Wasmond Center for a short tour at 9 am and then reconvene in the multipurpose room at the Ann Haskins Center in Bloomingdale. A board packet will be sent a week in advance with more details.
- Here are the remaining **Board dates** for **2017: August 18** (Board Retreat), and **October 26; 2018: January 25, April 5**, May 24 (Finance only), **June 28, August 17** (Board retreat) and **October 25**. Outlook invitations for all of these dates have been sent.

I look forward to seeing you at the **Board Retreat** next month. We have a full agenda!

We are grateful for ALL you do to advance our mission to...*make everyday life possible for individuals with profound disabilities.*

God bless you!

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**Marklund  
Board  
Calendar of Events  
2017-2018**

**2017**

August 18	9 am – 4 pm	<b><u>Board Retreat/Exec Committee</u></b>	MDS (start at MWC)
September 16	8:30 am – noon	<a href="#">Pancake Breakfast</a>	MHC
September 23	6 – 10 pm	<a href="#">Angel Songs Soiree Dinner/Auction</a>	Sanfilippo Estate Barrington
<b>TBD</b>	6 – 7:30 pm	Governance	MHC
October 22	8 am	<a href="#">5K/1 Mile Run, Walk &amp; Roll</a>	MHC
October 26	7 – 8:30 pm	<b><u>Finance/Board</u></b>	MHC

**2018**

January 25	7 – 8:30 pm	<b><u>Finance/Board</u></b>	MHC
February 3	6 pm – 12 am	<a href="#">Top Hat</a>	Marriott Marquis McCormick Place
<b>TBD</b>	6 – 7:30 pm	Governance	MHC
April 5	7 – 8:30 pm	<b><u>Finance/Board</u></b>	MHC
April 29	8 am	<a href="#">4 Mile Run, Walk &amp; Roll</a>	MPC
<b>TBD</b>		REST	
May 24	5:30 – 8 pm	Finance	MHC
June 6	9 am – 6 pm	<a href="#">Golf Invitational</a>	Cog Hill
June 9	10:30 am – 1 pm	<a href="#">Summer Games</a>	MHC
June 16	10:30 am – 1 pm	<a href="#">Summer Games</a>	MPC
June 28	7 – 8:30 pm	<b><u>Finance/Board</u></b>	MHC