# medina county board of developmental disabilities - Board Member

The Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities is comprised of seven volunteer members who are appointed by the Medina County Commissioners or Medina County Probate Judge. Board member terms are 4 years and they receive no compensation for their service. Board members must be Medina County residents and have various professional backgrounds and include community leaders and family members of individuals with disabilities. Each year board members must attend at least four hours of training in the field of developmental disabilities.

**Board Meetings** Meetings are typically held on the fourth Monday of each month at the Medina County Achievement Center. Agency business, policy, budgets, and program planning are discussed during Board meetings. Staff and community members are always welcome and encouraged to attend.

## Meet the Board Members - 2023



#### WAYNE CARROLL - President

Wayne feels the most important perspective he brings to the Board is that of a parent of an adult with developmental and physical disabilities and chronic medical conditions. Wayne received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Education from Clarion University of Pennsylvania and a Master's of Education Degree in Counseling from Kent State University. He retired from the Cleveland Metropolitan School District where he was an elementary teacher and school counselor. Wayne currently works part time as a scheduling manager for the Cleveland Metropolitan School District's Office of Curriculum and Instruction. He previously served on the MCBDD from 1997 to 2008. He also served on the Board of Directors for the Epilepsy Association of Northeast Ohio for 8 years.



#### ANDREW OLAH - Vice-President

Andrew earned his Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Physics at Kent State University and his Doctorate in Macromolecular Science and Engineering at Case Western Reserve University. He is a 34 year resident of Medina County. Andrew says his major incentive for being on the MCBDD Board is the strong impact the agency has had on his son Patrick. He believes the MCBDD programs have allowed him to be independent and function extremely well within the community.



#### ANN SALEK - Secretary

Ann Salek is certified as a Specialist in Estate Planning, Trust and Probate Law by the Ohio State Bar Association and is one of only 30 attorneys in the State of Ohio to have attained certification as an Elder Law Attorney (CELA) through the National Elder Law Foundation and the Ohio State Bar Association. Ann earned her bachelor's degree at Allegheny College and her law degree at the Cleveland-Marshall College of Law. Ann has assisted individuals with developmental disabilities and their families in planning for long-term financial security and is gratified to have the opportunity to join her new colleagues to advocate for, and address the needs of people with developmental disabilities and their families in our community.



### **DAVE HARTMAN**

Dave holds a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from the University of Akron and has worked as a Director of Business Development, President/CEO and District Engineer for various government agencies and private companies. He previously served on the MCBDD from 1998 to 2009. He has also served on the Board of Directors for Medina Creative Housing, Buckeye STEPS, the Medina County Federal Credit Union and the Ohio Society of Professional Engineers. Dave strives to help individuals with developmental disabilities become all they can be, and is honored to work with a progressive county and agency.



#### SANDRA THOMAS FAIN

Sandra has been involved with providing quality service to individuals with disabilities in our community for many years. Sandra has been a proud, dedicated board member since 1999. She is a graduate of A&T University in Greensboro, North Carolina and Stratford College in Danville, Virginia. Sandra has worked for the Social Security Administration for 39 years. She recently received a Commissioners Citation, the highest award available from the Commissioner of Social Security. Sandra says the best thing about being a board member for MCBDD is getting to know the people we serve, the excellent staff and Administration, and the chance to see all the positive growth and changes over the years.



#### MARK GRYSKIEWICZ

Mark has lived in Medina County for five years, with his wife and three children. He has a Mechanical Engineering degree with a minor in Psychology from Iowa State University. Mark is Plant Manager at a 3M manufacturing facility. His manufacturing career has allowed him the opportunity to work with many teams of diverse people, and he believes strongly in being a good community citizen. Mark looks forward to sharing his leadership experiences to help the MCBDD to continue to effectively accomplish their mission of promoting and empowering individuals to live, work, and socialize as good community citizens.



#### LISA DREADEN

Lisa Dreaden is a Senior Manager for Charles Schwab where she is responsible for a variety of training and communication projects which prepare team members to serve their clients. She is also a mentor for the Aspiring Leaders program and co-founded a support professional development group. She earned her Bachelor's degree in Communications at the University of Illinois and completed postgraduate work in English/Education at Illinois State University.