



Annual Meeting November 14, 2016

The Autism Support & Resource Center is a charitable, 501c3 organization whose goal is to enhance the quality of life and provide support and empowerment to families and individuals with autism through all phases of life.

2015-2016 Board of Directors		2016-2017 Proposed Board of Directors	
<u>Officers:</u>		<u>Officers:</u>	
Chair of the Board	Tamara Sampson, LLP	Chair of the Board	Tonya Prim *
Vice President	N/A	Vice President	N/A
Treasurer	Tiffanie Scharrer	Treasurer	Jodi Holbrook*
Secretary	Tonya Prim	Secretary	Shaylin Curry*
<u>Directors:</u>		<u>Directors:</u>	
Board Member	Robin Giles	Board Member	Robin Giles**
Board Member	Debby Zofko	Board Member	Debby Zofko **
Board Member	Adrienne Hanson	Board Member	Ryan McReynolds(V)
Board Member	Damin Siler	Board Member	Robert Cook(V)
<u>Appointed Directors:</u>		<u>Appointed Directors:</u>	
Board Member	Carrie Aldrich	Board Member	John "JC" Carlson***
Board Member	Annie Crites	Board Member	Toyia Turner***
		Board Member	Matt Simpson***
Names with Asterisk (*) require vote at conclusion of Annual Meeting for a 1 year term.			
** Names with 2 Asterisks (**) are completing 2nd year of 2 year term. No vote required			
(V) will be voted on at conclusion of Annual Meeting for a 2 year terms			
***Will be voted on by the Board of Directors			

Membership Growth												
	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>
Contact List	87	121	135	156	172	217	305	520	665	606		
MailChimp	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	827	960	973
Facebook Friends	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	376	526
"Likes" on Fan Page	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2357	2700
Twitter	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	60	82
LinkedIn	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	162	184

Consolidated Income Statement

	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>
Income:							
Income	\$54,451.70	\$40,030.59	\$76,107.10	\$93,081.55	\$90,636.32	\$116,538	\$119,787
Expenses:							
Operating Expenses	\$41,755.00	\$20,046.66	\$59,291.78	\$53,585.70	\$71,355.61	\$84,337	\$108,750
Purchase Building:			\$67,000.00				

*from October month end financials

Bank Account Balances as of October 31, 2016	
Checking Account	\$55,869.95
Savings Account	48,447.89
Power Camp Scholarships	\$3,727.00
	\$108,044.84

Board of Director's Report: Our accomplishments since our last Annual Meeting - November 2016

Goal #1: To provide resource information, education, advocacy and support systems for area families and caregivers of children with autism spectrum disorder.

- Offered parenting classes in partnership with The Hope Network.
- Continued to update our website to be more accessible for those using primarily mobile devices.
- Offered a Transition To Adulthood workshop led by Life Solutions for Autism and the past president of the Autism Society of Michigan on Self Skills in February.
- Leveraged our partnership with Baker College Occupational Therapy Department and Mott OTA Department to help provide socials and sensory play groups for Autistic kids & Teens.
- Engaged in a new partnership with Saginaw Valley State University's Graduate OT program and Mott College's Psychology program to offer fieldwork placement and volunteer opportunities.
- Distributed "New Member Folders" full of Genesee County resources for families new to the autism diagnosis and navigating the available resources.
- Provided online resources to share up to date information, area resources, contact forms, calendar, forms, etc.
- Distributed monthly newsletter which contains information & resources for families living with autism.

- Offered a Newly Diagnosed support group by a psychologist to help parents and caregivers.

Goal #2: To promote special education, recreational, and therapeutic activities of persons with autism and to foster the development of integrated, community based programs on their behalf.

- Started POWER Basketball, a tailored basketball program designed to teach basic skills while incorporating socialization alongside typically developing peers.
- Provided free of charge use of the “Sensory Room” for approved families living with autism spectrum disorder. This 1,200 square foot building is fully furnished with Occupational Therapy equipment for therapeutic use by qualified members.
- This was the sixth year of our partnership with YMCA Camp Copneconic to offer a day camp, with one optional overnight, for children with autism spectrum disorder during the summer. During the summer of 2016, POWER Camp was hosted for 2 weeks! We had 79 registered ASD Campers and 45 Peer Buddies.
- ASRC employed a member from our group who had graduated from the Counselors In Training (CIT) program at 2016 Power Camp as Junior Counselor.
- Recipient of a \$4,800 donation from the Foren Foundation that will assist us in making enhancements to our Socials, POWER Camp and overall assistance with developing communication skills of our members.
- Started the ASRC “Wonder Women” Young Women’s Social designed for young women aged 18 and up.
- Hosted ASRC Kids Social, offering structured activities for children 10 and under with autism.
- Hosted 2 ASRC Teen Social Groups each catered to the needs of the teens that offered monthly social activities.
- Hosted the ASRC Adult Social Group connecting adults living with autism in the community through social activities at monthly meetings.
- Hosted Girls Club for young ladies on the Autism Spectrum and young ladies with siblings on the Autism Spectrum to help them connect socially.
- YMCA Partnership allowed swimming at YMCA downtown Flint location bi-monthly for members of the ASRC.
- Over 150 people attended our annual Member Christmas Party at Grand Blanc Lanes in 2015. Members and their families enjoyed dinner, bowling, visiting with Santa, and small gifts

compliments of the ASRC. We are planning for our 2016 party on December 7th, also at Grand Blanc Lanes

- Continued our relationship with Grand Blanc Parks and Recreation Department by cross promoting events. In addition they provided space for our basketball program free of charge.
- Beginning in February of 2016, the ASRC coordinated monthly Family Fun Events, thanks to a grant from Katharine B. Miner Trust and A.G. Bishop Trusts. Some of the events were Sea Life Aquarium, Sensory Friendly Movies, LegoLand Adventure Center, Family Picnic at Lake Callis, and Flint Firebirds game.

Goal #3: To develop a better understanding of autism by the public through autism awareness and education.

- Partnered with Rock Bottom Stone Supply and TEAM Garrett to host the 1st Annual Driving Fore Autism Golf Outing which generated nearly \$40,000 of income.
- Collaborated with local law enforcement to bring the Autism Alliance Law Enforcement Training to Genesee County.
- During Autism Awareness month, we had an information table at the MTA during their shift changes to provide information to their driving staff.
- Provided a training to MTA leadership on autism and how they can help support our members who rely on their services.
- The first ever “Autism Acceptance Day Party” was sponsored by Baker College's Gamma Beta Phi and was offered free of charge to our members.
- Led a training session for first-year Mott College OTA Students.
- Conducted a training session for over 200 Camp Copneconic employees so they can better understand our population.
- Conducted a training session with The Flint Children’s Museum so they are better aware of the unique needs of our families who visit their facility.
- Marketed the ASRC at the Flint Farmer’s Market Health and Wellness Center
- Offered staff training to MCSI respite care workers.

- Consulted with representatives from Merlin Entertainments, Sea Life Aquarium and LegoLand Adventure Center on Autism and sensory accommodations/modifications they could make to their facility to allow for a more enjoyable experience for visitors living with Autism.
- Conducted multiple training sessions for Mott Psychology students who completed service hours in direct service for the ASRC.
- Our 2016 Walk the Walk for Autism at Creasy Bicentennial Park in Grand Blanc was a very successful event. We recognized community Autism Angels, obtained the support of local businesses and organizations, welcomed new guests The Autism Alliance of Michigan's Autism Safety Program as well as Hurley Medical Center's First Aid team, and provided information on autism and area resources.

Goal #4: To work towards the development of a residential community for adults with autism that will provide residential, employment and general life supports for adults with autism so that they can lead involved and valued lives and achieve their maximum level of functioning and independence.

- The 2016 Walk the Walk for Autism generated nearly \$63,000, including proceeds from the Golf Outing that will go toward our savings for the Life Skills Center.
- Contracted with an architect to determine best placement for a building improvements for a Life Skills Center.
- In 2016, a past paid ASRC CIT graduate was hired directly by Camp Copneconic. The ASRC worked directly with this person on resume building and interview skills.
- Collaborated with the Holy Family Mission Makeover and Davison Free Methodist Church team to make enhancements to our building in preparation for offering Life Skills Classes.
- Obtained information on area housing developments to share with our members.
- Continuing fundraising to maintain operation of the Autism Support and Resource Center and save towards the Life Skills Center.