

Tri-County Board of Recovery & Mental Health Services
Board of Directors' Meeting
Minutes

July 21, 2021

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Lou Ann Albers
Rod Austin
Velina Bogart
Dennis Butts
Jerry Herbe
Marty Hobart
Terrence Holman
Terrie Hottle
George Lovett
Mandy Martin
Cassandra Pohl
Jason Wagner

BOARD STAFF PRESENT

Beth Adkins
Terri Becker
Brad Reed

GUESTS PRESENT

Dorothy Crusoe, Community Housing Inc
Jodi Knouff, Family Resource Center of
Northwest Ohio
Cynthia Wion, Recovery & Wellness Center
of Midwest Ohio
Mike Bessler, TCN/dba MCRC

BOARD MEMBERS EXCUSED

Pat Jacomet
Ann Runner
Marcy Youtz

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

The Tri-County Board of Recovery and Mental Health Services met at the Board office in Troy Wednesday, July 21, 2021. Chair George Lovett called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m.

Board staff member Brad Reed took roll call, with 12 Board members present, three excused. Three Board staff and four guests were present.

Terri Becker introduced Velina Bogart. Velina has been appointed by OMHAS to a term beginning July 1 2021 and ending June 30 2025. Velina was previously a Board member from July 2012 to June 2020.

Board Chair George Lovett administered the Oath of Office to Velina.

APPOINTMENT OF SECRETARY

Rod Austin agreed to be appointed secretary to attest to the Board meeting minutes for tonight's meeting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA & MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The Board reviewed the agenda for the evening. Dennis Butts moved to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Rod Austin. Motion carried on voice vote.

The Board reviewed the minutes of the June Board of Directors' meeting. Terry Holman moved to approve the minutes of the June 30 2021 Board of Directors' meeting as presented, seconded by Cassie Pohl. Motion carried on voice vote.

BOARD GOVERNANCE – No Report

OLD BUSINESS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE COMMITTEE – Terry Holman

Minutes of the June Finance Committee meeting were included in the Board packet for approval. Terry Holman moved to approve the minutes of the June 30 2021 Finance Committee meeting as presented, seconded by Marty Hobart. Motion carried on voice vote.

Financial Statements for June 2021 were included in the Board packet for review. Statements are cumulative and through June are 100% of the way through the fiscal year on a cash basis. FY21 revenue is at 94% and expenditures are at 54.9%. Staff will continue to work to close out contracts over the next few weeks so that final FY21 financial statements can be prepared this fall. Terry Holman moved to approve the June 2021 Financial Statements as presented, seconded by Jerry Herbe. Motion carried on voice vote.

The List of Transactions April through June 2021 was included in the Board packet for review. Terry Holman moved to approve the April through June 2021 List of Transactions as presented, seconded by Velina Bogart. Motion carried on voice vote.

Terri Becker provided an update on the Administration and Training Center Building Project. She reported that we are now under contract with Brumbaugh Construction of Arcanum as the General Contractor. A preliminary construction schedule projects the building to be complete in May 2022, but she cautioned that the timeline is dependent on a lot of factors, including availability of materials. She reported that staff are working on processes to make the move as efficient as possible by cleaning out things and files we don't need to keep. She said we are capturing drone footage of the construction site so we will have a video record of the building process.

The next Finance Committee meeting will be September 15 2021 at 6:00 PM.

PLANNING COMMITTEE – No Report

The next Planning Committee meeting date is to be determined. Staff will let committee members know when a new date is set.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE – Jerry Herbe

The Community Relations Committee met in person at the Board office July 12, 2021 with five members, two staff, and two guests present. Minutes from the July 12, 2021 Community Relations Committee Meeting were included in the Board packet for review. Jerry Herbe agreed to continue as Committee Chair through the August meeting, and at that time a new chair will be selected for the balance of the Fiscal Year. Jerry Herbe moved to accept the minutes of the July 12 2021 Community Relations Committee as presented, seconded by Terry Holman. Motion carried on voice vote.

The Committee learned that the ballot language was approved by the Secretary of State's office as submitted, and that the Miami County Board of Elections has forwarded it to Darke and Shelby Counties.

Due to the attention needed for the upcoming levy, the Committee agreed to set a meeting for August 9 at 6PM, in addition to the regularly scheduled September 13 meeting.

The Committee reviewed levy finances. The Friends for Mental Health & Recovery account has a carryover balance of \$19,622.61. A preliminary budget shows planned expenses of between \$30,000 and \$40,000, so a transfer of \$30,000 from the Board's Levy Reserve Line Item should be enough to cover planned campaign expenses as well as unexpected expenses. George Lovett explained for new members that Mental Health and Recovery Boards are almost unique in Ohio in that they are public entities who are permitted to pay for their own campaigns. Jerry Herbe moved to approve the disbursement of \$30,000 from the Levy Campaign Reserve budget line item to the Friends for Mental Health & Recovery Committee for the purpose of paying expenses related to levy campaigns, seconded by Jason Wagner. Motion carried on voice vote.

The Committee discussed possible public speaking opportunities in the weeks and months leading up to the election, and Brad Reed said he would be preparing talking points and slides for any Board member interested in participating.

The next Community Relations Committee meeting will be Monday, August 9 2021 at 6:00PM at the Tri-County Board office.

Board Chair George Lovett noted that Community Relations Chair Jerry Herbe's term on the Board will end in August, and thanked him for his service and dedication to the Board. Jerry will continue to serve as Treasurer of the Friends for Mental Health & Recovery Committee through the election and reporting period. Brad Reed noted that Jerry is the longest serving Board member in Tri-County Board history with 24 years cumulative.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT – Terri Becker

Terri Becker thanked Velina Bogart for agreeing to rejoin the Board, and Jerry Herbe for his years of service.

Terri reported that language in the Biennial Budget Bill that would have reduced the required number of category appointments and minimum number of members on small boards if a multi-county board splits was line-item vetoed by Gov. Mike DeWine.

She said county fair season begins soon, with the Shelby County Fair opening Sunday, followed by Miami County August 13 and Darke County August 20. Brad Reed pointed out the fair display set up in the Board room and explained the components designed to send the message that the Board plans and funds services throughout the three-county area, that the levy costs household very little - \$20 a year or five cents per day for the median home value – and that the Board is fiscally responsible.

Terri noted that at the Miami County Buckeye State Sheriff's Association Awards event in June, three Board staff – Brad Reed, Beth Adkins, and Kim McGuirk – were recognized for their efforts in organizing and presenting CIT Academy, support after critical incidents and other supports to local law enforcement.

Terri said she would coordinate with George Lovett to distribute to Board members her annual evaluation instrument.

She reminded the Board that there is no full Board meeting scheduled in August.

NEW BUSINESS

Lou Ann Albers relayed a request for information from a Shelby County Commissioner. Terri said she would follow up on the request.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Dennis Butts moved to adjourn, seconded by Cassie Pohl. Meeting was adjourned at 7:14PM.

The next regular Board of Directors' meeting will be Wednesday September 15 2021 at 6:45 p.m. at the Board office.

George Lovett, Chairperson

Rod Austin, Secretary

Brad Reed