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

September 17, 2024

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT
Rod Austin
Chad Beanblossom
Dennis Butts
Jerry Herbe
Emily Hoisington
Terrie Hottle
Jim McNerney
Cassie Pohl
Ann Runner
Jason Wagner

BOARD STAFF PRESENT
Terri Becker
Beth Buchanan
Steve McEldowney
Brad Reed

GUESTS PRESENT
Leslie Gardner, Haven
Chris Pinkleman, TCN
Cynthia Wion, Recovery & Wellness Centers of Midwest Ohio

BOARD MEMBERS EXCUSED
Velina Bogart
Fredric Francis
Joe Gebhart
Marty Hobart
Chuck Wirick

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

The Tri-County Board of Recovery and Mental Health Services met at the Board Administration & Training Center in Troy Tuesday, September 17, 2024. Board Chair Dennis Butts called the meeting to order at 12:00 PM.

Board staff member Brad Reed took roll call. Ten Board members attended, with five Board members excused. Four Board staff and two guests were present.

Terri Becker introduced Cassie Pohl as a new Board member. Cassie had previously been a Board member from January 2017 through August 2023. After a year absence from the Board, she was reappointed by the Miami County Commissioners to a four-year term ending June 30, 2028. Dennis Butts welcomed Cassie back to the Board and administered the Oath of Office.

APPOINTMENT OF SECRETARY

Chad Beanblossom agreed to be appointed secretary to attest to the Board meeting minutes for the current meeting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA & MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The Board reviewed the agenda. Terri Becker noted that the agenda had been amended to include the report from the Community Relations Committee. Jason Wagner moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Ann Runner. Motion carried on voice vote.

The Board reviewed the minutes of the July Board of Directors meeting. Jim McNerney moved to approve the minutes of the July 16 2024 Board of Directors' meeting as presented, seconded by Terrie Hottle. Motion carried on voice vote.

BOARD GOVERNANCE

Terri Becker reminded the Board that there will not be a regular meeting of the Board in October, and in place of the meeting there is a scheduled annual training, as required by Ohio Revised Code. The training will start at noon. Tony Coder, Executive Director of the Ohio Suicide Prevention Foundation will present the "State of the State for Suicide Prevention." Terri noted that the topic meets one of the priorities in the Board's Three-Year Strategic Plan.

OLD BUSINESS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE COMMITTEE – Jerry Herbe

Minutes of the July Finance Committee meeting were included in the Board packet for review. Jerry Herbe moved to approve the minutes of the July 16 2024 Finance Committee meeting as presented, seconded by Rod Austin. Motion carried on voice vote.

Financial Statements for July and August 2024 were included in the Board packet for review. Statements are cumulative and through August are 17% of the way through the Fiscal Year on a cash basis. FY25 revenue is at 28.6% and expenditures are at 13.7%. Board staff is continuing the process of closing out FY2024 service contracts. Steve McEldowney said staff has revised how overages are displayed so that it makes more sense, rather than being formatted as a negative number. Large negative numbers reflect amounts yet to be received for those line items. Steve said some of the capital projects line items were condensed. Jerry Herbe moved to accept the July and August 2024 Financial Statements as presented, seconded by Emily Hoisington. Motion carried by voice vote.

Jerry Herbe reported on the FY2024 independent audit for SafeHaven Inc. Documents related to the audit were included in the Board packet for review. Steve McEldowney said the audit, conducted by Clark Schaefer Hackett, was a regular audit, with no findings. Annual depreciation was mentioned in the audit letter, corrected by management. Jerry Herbe moved to approve the FY24 independent audit of SafeHaven Inc. as presented, seconded by Terrie Hottle. Motion carried on voice vote.

Jerry Herbe reported that the Board's CY2023 audit was approved by the State Auditor's office and was released September 10. It is clean audit. The audit summary was included in the online documents for the Board Meeting. The full audit has been posted on the Auditor of State's website and will be posted on the Board's website. A hard copy is available if anyone would like a full copy. Terri thanked Steve and the rest of the staff for all their hard work and a clean audit. Jerry Herbe moved to approve the Board's Calendar Year 2023 audit as presented, seconded by Jim McNerney. Motion carried on voice vote.

Terri Becker provided an update on the ARPA grant hospital diversion/step down project. She said the remodeling work is just about finished and Recovery & Wellness Centers of Midwest Ohio will begin moving in furniture and furnishings. She said RWC is working to get staffing in place, and they hope to be able to invite the Board for a walk-through before residents begin moving in.

Jerry Herbe said the adjusted FY2025 contract with Family Resource Centers of Northwest Ohio that was approved by the Board at the July meeting, had a $500 discrepancy between what was approved

by the Board and the language in the contract. Steve McEldowney said the discrepancy needs to be corrected for future audits. Jerry Herbe moved to approve a corrected FY25 Contract with Family Resource Centers of Northwest Ohio in the amount of $102,500. Contract will cover fee for service, peer support and program closeout through August 2, 2024 and fee for service only for telehealth clients remaining with their telehealth provider to complete brief psychotherapy from August 3 through September 30, 2024, seconded by Ann Runner. Motion carried on voice vote.

Terri Becker, Steve McEldowney and Brad Reed met with the Joint Budget Commission August 27 to review the budget packet that was submitted and to discuss programs, initiatives and budget issues. The Commission consists of the Auditor, Prosecutor and Treasurer from each of the counties that we serve. Steve said there are two new members of the Budget Commission this year and there will be two additional new members next year. The meeting and discussion went well and the Commission approved our tax rates for 2024. The Board must now approve and members present will need to sign two copies of the resolution. Jerry Herbe moved to accept the tax rates as determined by the Joint Budget Commission for the year 2024, seconded by Cassie Pohl. Motion carried on voice vote.

The Finance Committee will not meet in October. The next Finance Committee meeting will be Tuesday November 19 2024 at 11:30 AM.

PLANNING COMMITTEE – Cassie Pohl

The Planning Committee met on September 10 at the Administration & Training Center.

Members of the Committee present at the meeting elected Cassie Pohl to chair the committee in FY2025.

Tri-County Board Executive Director Terri Becker and Vicki Martin from Recovery & Wellness Centers of Midwest Ohio gave an update on the challenges and progress of the provider change in Shelby County. Vickie outlined RWC's locations and the services they provide. The Committee discussed access to services and wait lists.

Committee members reviewed Board bylaws regarding the committee role; specifically related to the requirement that OhioMHAS appointees serve on the planning committee as one of their two assignments. After discussion, recommendation is to make this a suggestion to OhioMHAS appointees but not a requirement.

The most recent WISE program update was reviewed and discussed. This is the prevention program for senior adults that is being implemented by Goodwill Easter Seals Miami Valley. They have gotten off to a great start and were able to start programming in July.

Beth Buchanan is working on getting the Board re-approved as a provider of CEU trainings for Counselors, Social Workers and Marriage & Family Therapists, with the goal of providing CEU training opportunities at no cost for our community partners.

Terri Becker updated members on two new services that will be implemented in the coming months in our communities for youth and families: Mobile Response and Stabilization Service (MRSS) and Intensive Home-Based Therapy (IHBT). These programs will be discussed more at upcoming meetings.

The Planning Committee minutes that were originally posted to the Online Board Packet have been amended, are in the paper Board packet in blue. Cassie Pohl moved to approve the September 10 2024 planning Committee minutes as amended, seconded by Terrie Hottle. Motion carried on voice vote.

The next Planning Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday November 5 at noon at the Administration & Training Center.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE – Jim McNerney

The Community Relations Committee met at the Board Administration & Training Center August 6, 2024 with five members, two staff and two guests present. Draft minutes from the August 6, 2024 Community Relations Committee Meeting were distributed at the September 17 Board meeting for review.

The Committee elected Marty Hobart to be Committee Chairperson for FY2025.

Brad Reed reviewed recently completed and upcoming fairs and events, including the county fairs; an Art of Recovery Kick Off Concert August 28 at the Historic Sidney Theater; Overdose Awareness Day August 29 in Troy; and the Art of Recovery Exhibits September 9-26 at Edison State in Piqua, and October 1-25 at the Board's Administration & Training Center in Troy. The Board's Annual Meeting and Artists Reception will be Thursday October 24 from 5:30-7PM at the Administration & Training Center.

Brad and Terri discussed the change in provider in Shelby County, with Recovery & Wellness taking over operations at the Vandemark Road location after Family Resource Center ceased operations there August 2. RWC staff has been working diligently to manage the changeover with as little disruption to clients as possible. They will be serving clients beginning August 7. The Tri-County Board brochure and the Resource Guide have been updated to reflect the change in providers.

Brad and Terri also briefed the Committee on the state's changing focus from the national Crisis Text Line to 988. The 988 line has text capabilities, and Crisis Text Line will be de-emphasized over the coming months.

The next Community Relations Committee Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 1, 2024, at noon at the Administration & Training Center. However, a ribbon-cutting at the Recovery & Wellness Vandemark Road location is scheduled for that date and time. Board members, especially Community Relations Committee members and Shelby County members, are invited to attend. If it is necessary to hold a formal meeting, we can do so at the Vandemark Road office after the ribbon-cutting.

Jim McNerney moved to approve the minutes of the August 6, 2024 Community Relations Committee meeting as presented, seconded by Ann Runner. Motion carried on voice vote.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT – Terri Becker

Terri Becker informed the Board about the Week of Appreciation plans. The Board receives mini-grant funds from OACBHA. This year staff of partner agencies will receive a portfolio embossed with the Board logo, a custom Gratitude Journal, and an enamel magnetic lapel pin with the Board's logo.

The Miami County Mental Health Resource Fair September 5 at the Miami County Courthouse Plaza was crowded, and it has been decided to get bigger tents next year. It's for the benefit of

participants in Mental Health Court, with a number of behavioral health and support service providers in attendance, and also employers and employment support services. It has also become a major networking event for agencies.

Terri said the two-day CIT Companion Course for Behavioral Health Professionals is next week, and that the four-day CIT Academy for Law Enforcement Professionals in December is over-enrolled.

Terri said the Overdose Awareness Day events, including the concerts by Art Therapist and singer-songwriter Bruce Moon were very successful.

She reminded Board members that the Annual Meeting and Artists' Reception will be Thursday October 24 from 5:30-7PM at the Administration & Training Center. Staff will send a meeting reminder.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business was brought before the Board.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Rod Austin moved to adjourn, seconded by Terrie Hottle. Dennis Butts declared the meeting adjourned at 12:37 p.m.

The next Full Board meeting will be Tuesday November 19 2024 at noon.

Dennis Butts, Chairperson

Chad Beanblossom

Brad Reed