

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

January 16, 2024

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Dennis Butts  
Jerry Herbe  
Marty Hobart  
Emily Hoisington  
Terrie Hottle  
Jim McNerney  
Jason Wagner  
Chuck Wirick

BOARD STAFF PRESENT

Terri Becker  
Steve McEldowney  
Brad Reed

GUESTS PRESENT

Michelle Mason, Community Housing  
Cynthia Wion, Recovery & Wellness Centers  
of Midwest Ohio

BOARD MEMBERS EXCUSED

Rod Austin  
Velina Bogart  
Joe Gebhart  
Ann Runner

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

The Tri-County Board of Recovery and Mental Health Services met at the Board Administration & Training Center in Troy Tuesday, January 16, 2024. Board Chair Dennis Butts called the meeting to order at 12:00 noon.

Board staff member Brad Reed took roll call. Eight Board members attended, with four Board members excused. Three Board staff and two guests were present.

Terri Becker introduced two new Board members. Dr. Jim McNerney is appointed by the Miami County Commissioners to a term ending June 30 2027. Emily Hoisington is a Darke County resident appointed by OhioMHAS to a term ending June 30 2027. Board Chair Dennis Butts administered the Oath of Office.

APPOINTMENT OF SECRETARY

Chuck Wirick agreed to be appointed secretary to attest to the Board meeting minutes for the January meeting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA & MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The Board reviewed the agenda. Jerry Herbe moved to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Chuck Wirick. Motion carried on voice vote.

The Board reviewed the minutes of the November Board of Directors' meeting. Jason Wagner moved to approve the minutes of the November 15 2023 Board of Directors' meeting as presented, seconded by Chuck Wirick. Motion carried on voice vote.

BOARD GOVERNANCE

Terri Becker again welcomed new members Emily Hoisington and Jim McNerney. She said she has submitted applications for a new Darke County member and Dennis Butts' reappointment to Darke County Commissioners. She said she is meeting with an individual from West Milton who potentially may fill the spot left vacant when George Lovett's second term ended. Cassie Pohl's spot is still open and she has indicated an interest in being reappointed, as has Mandy Martin. If those two are reappointed then the Board would have full complements of members from Darke and Miami Counties. We still have two seats to fill from Shelby County, but Terri said we have to be sure to satisfy the requirements in ORC 340, specifically around consumers of services. Terrie Hottle asked how the ratio of seats is determined. Terri Becker explained the recent changes to ORC 340 that establishes that two thirds of appointments are by the County Commissioners and one third by OhioMHAS.

## OLD BUSINESS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

### FINANCE COMMITTEE – Jason Wagner

Minutes of the November Finance Committee meeting were included in the Board packet for review. Jason Wagner moved to approve the minutes of the November 15 2023 Finance Committee meeting as presented, seconded by Terrie Hottle. Motion carried on voice vote.

Financial Statements for November and December 2023 were included in the Board packet for review. Statements are cumulative and through December are 50% of the way through the Fiscal Year on a cash basis. FY24 revenue is at 53.2% and expenditures are at 35.2%. Steve McEldowney said State revenue is at or above 50%. Levy collections are almost at 50%. He said the Board has received the full disbursement from the Troy Foundation. Steve said Medicaid is raising rates and the Board is adjusting billing software to match, and that will help agencies draw down their contracts. He said there will be a one-time 10% rate adjustment for the first half of the Fiscal Year, as was done last year. Jason Wagner moved to accept the Financial Statements as presented, seconded by Chuck Wirick. Motion carried by voice vote.

The List of Transactions for October through December 2023 was included in the Board packet for review. Steve McEldowney said most are for regular expenses. There were a number of expenses related to CIT Academy in December, and also for the Annual Meeting in October. Jason Wagner moved to approve the October through December 2023 List of Transactions as presented, seconded by Marty Hobart. Motion carried on voice vote.

Jason Wagner reported that FY23 independent audits have not been received from the agencies for the year. Most agencies have received draft reports but have not had their audits released.

Terri Becker gave an update on the building project. Terri said staff has received training on the new camera and access control systems, and the contractor is continuing to work on the warranty items.

Terri said that staff continues to look for suitable properties for the ARPA crisis services project. She said she is feeling increasing pressure to get it done within the grant's timeline. Dennis Butts said he would provide a contact for a possible location in Greenville.

Jason Wagner reported that the Board's Director's and Officer's Liability Insurance Policy renews in March. This will be the second year of a three-year policy and last year the Board added cyber security coverage. The current policy is for \$3,000,000 in coverage with a \$25,000 deductible. Current premiums are \$6,764. Brad Reed shared that the City of Huber Heights has reported it has cost more than \$850,000 to remediate a recent cyber intrusion into city systems. Jim McNerney asked whether the policy

covers cybersecurity coverage. Steve McEldowney replied that it does with the new coverage, and that the Board has added additional staff training and policies to help prevent breaches.

Jason Wagner reported that current Board mileage reimbursement rate is \$.56 per mile. The Federal rate was increased on January 1, 2024 to a new rate of \$.67 per mile, up from \$.655 per mile. Propose to consider increasing the mileage rate to either \$.58 or \$.60 per mile effective January 1, 2024. Jason Wagner moved to approve the FY24 mileage rate increase to \$.60 per mile effective January 1, 2024, seconded by Jerry Herbe. Motion carried on voice vote.

The next Finance Committee meeting will be Tuesday February 20 2024 at 11:30 AM.

PLANNING COMMITTEE – No Report

The next Planning Committee meeting is to be determined.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE – No Report

The next Community Relations Committee is to be determined.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT – Terri Becker

Terri Becker reported that the Crisis Intervention Team Academy completed its 18<sup>th</sup> Year and 23<sup>rd</sup> Class in December with 20 graduates. Brad Reed shared that enrollments for the Academy continue to increase. The Tri-County CIT program is highly regarded, getting inquiries from around the state and even out-of-state programs. The next CIT Academy for Law Enforcement Professionals is in April and is already fully enrolled. The CIT Advisory Committee will meet January 31.

Terri shared that the Tri-County Board was featured in a recent Family Abuse Shelter newsletter.

Terri said the findings from Ascend Innovations does a good job of helping us focus on our data needs. A complicating factor is that the State now has Scorecard software that it is requiring Boards to use for the Community Assessment and Plan, and is making it available for data reporting beyond what is required for the CAP. The question will be to see how much overlap there may be between what Ascend can provide versus what is available through the State’s Clear Impact system. Terrie Hottle asked whether providers are required to report data to the Board. Terri Becker said they are required to report what we pay for, but that the Board is a small part of providers’ overall business. She said we haven’t had conversations with the providers about providing Medicaid data, as those discussions are happening at the State level.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business what brought before the Board.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chuck Wirick moved to adjourn at 12:36 p.m., seconded by Jason Wagner.

The next Full Board meeting will be Tuesday February 20 2024 at Noon.

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Dennis Butts, Chairperson

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Chuck Wirick, Secretary

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Brad Reed