

ALCOHOL, DRUG ADDICTION AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES BOARD OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES OCTOBER 24, 2012

Committee Members Present: Harvey A. Snider, Esq., Eugenia Cash, MSSA, LSW, Pythias D. Jones, M.D., Pastor Charles E. Brown, J. Robert Fowler, Ph.D., Rev. Benjamin F. Gohlstin, Sr., Ericka Thoms / **Absent:** None

Board Staff Present: William M. Denihan, C.E.O., Carol Krajewski, Cassandra Richardson

Board Chairperson, Harvey Snider, called the Executive Committee meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Executive Committee minutes of September 12, 2012, were approved as submitted.

2. POLICY REVIEW PROCESS

A review of policy statements, scheduled for their 3-year review, will be arranged for an upcoming Executive Committee meeting. The Index of Policy Statements was distributed; those policies needing to be reviewed were highlighted in yellow print. Mr. Denihan noted that the Board's Executive Staff has begun to review the policies in an effort to determine the needed revisions. All current policies are posted on the ADAMHS Board Web site. Hard copies would be provided to Executive Committee members in their agenda packets for the next Executive Committee meeting noting proposed revisions, if necessary. (The Policy Statement Index referenced is attached to the original minutes stored in the Executive Unit.)

Ms. Thoms noted that the Nominating Committee is recommending several revisions to the current "Recruitment of Board Members" policy and that the 1st reading will take place at an upcoming General Meeting.

3. COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT DISCUSSION

The current Committee Assignment Roster was reviewed. Due to Mr. Kemm's resignation from the ADMAHS Board of Directors, the Finance & Operations Committee's membership is down to three members. Pastor Brown agreed to stay on as Chair of the Finance & Operations Committee and suggested appointing a mix of new and experienced Board members. It was suggested that new Board member, Bill Tobin, be invited to join this committee. Both Dr. Fowler and Dr. Jones noted their interest and willingness to serve on the Finance & Operations Committee. Rev. Gohlstin volunteered to serve on the Nominating Committee. Discussion followed on the Vice Chair vacancy, Mr. Snider noted that he would like to temporarily keep the Vice Chair's office open.

4. AUTHORIZATION TO EXPLORE PURCHASE OF PROPERTIES FORMERLY OWNED/OPERATED BY BRIDGEWAY, INC.

Mr. Denihan reported that the Board is interested in exploring the possibility of purchasing select Bridgeway properties; one facility under consideration is a 12-unit residential treatment facility for a specific target population. The proposed action gives the Board authorization to negotiate for the properties under consideration.

Motion to recommend authorization to explore the purchase of select Bridgeway properties in an amount not to exceed \$85,000 to the full Board. MOTION: B. Gohlstin / SECOND: B. Fowler / AYES: C. Brown, E. Cash, B. Fowler, B. Gohlstin, P. Jones, E. Thoms / NAYS: None / ABSTAIN: None / **Motion passed.**

5. AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE THE ASSUMPTION, WAIVER, AND RELEASE OF AGREEMENT FOR PURCHASE OF PROPERTIES FORMERLY OWNED/OPERATED BY BRIDGEWAY, INC.

Mr. Denihan noted that the ADAMHS Board successfully negotiated the acquisition of property from Community Care Network owned by Bridgeway (known as the Flores Residential Care Facility) and the Ohio Department of Mental Health (ODMH) has approved the transfer of the property to ADAMHS. Since ODMH has approved the request to transfer the contract, mortgage and note on MH-672 from Community Care Network to ADAMHS for approving the assumption, waiver and release agreement for said property, authorization is needed to permit the C.E.O. and Board Chair to sign the assumption, waiver and release agreement documents required by the Ohio Department of Mental Health to successfully transfer said property MH-672 from Community Care Network to ADAMHS

Motion to recommend authorization to approve the assumption, waiver and release of agreement for purpose of properties formerly owned/operated by Bridgeway, Inc. to the full Board. MOTION: C. Brown
SECOND: E. Cash / AYES: C. Brown, E. Cash, B. Fowler, B. Gohlstin, P. Jones, E. Thoms / NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None / **Motion passed.**

6. PARTICIPATION IN THE GREATER CLEVELAND CONGREGATIONS' NORTH EAST OHIO MEDICAID EXPANSION COALITION

Mr. Denihan reported that the Greater Cleveland Congregations has formed the Northeast Ohio Medicaid Expansion Coalition (NEO-MEC) which is an expanding partnership of religious congregations, health care providers, community organizations, businesses, insurers, medical professionals, consumer groups and advocates working together to help expand Medicaid to all Ohioans now eligible under the Affordable Care Act. The NEO-MEC believes that Medicaid expansion is vital to our region and state; reasons are delineated in the proposed resolution distributed.

As the ADAMHS Board has been invited to participate as a member of the NEO-MEC, Board staff recommends that it be authorized to participate as a member of this group and its efforts.

Motion to recommend approval of participating in the Greater Cleveland Congregations' Northeast Ohio Medicaid Expansion Coalition to the full Board. MOTION: E. Thoms / SECOND: B. Gohlstin / AYES: C. Brown, E. Cash, B. Fowler, B. Gohlstin, P. Jones, E. Thoms / NAYS: None / ABSTAIN: None / **Motion passed.**

7. SHARES UPDATE

Mr. Denihan noted that the Council of Governments is still in the evaluation stage of determining a vendor for the software and hardware for SHARES, a new health care management information system. The next decision meeting is 11/27/12 in Columbus at 10:00 a.m. Ms. Richardson added that efforts are closer to identifying a vendor; to begin to the process during the first quarter of 2013 with implementation by 2014.

8. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

- As Mr. Kemm previously served as the ADAMHS Board's representative on the AIDS Funding Collaborative, Mr. Denihan noted that a Board member representative needs to be appointed to this vacancy.
- The Executive Committee was pleased to learn that Dr. Biegel was willing to serve as Planning & Oversight Committee Chair if Dr. Jones needed to drop off of the P&O committee, based upon feedback from his employer, in order to serve on the Finance & Operations Committee.
- Rev. Gohlstin noted that additional members are welcome to join the Faith-Based Outreach Committee. Given Pastor Brown's expressed interest in joining this effort, Mr. Snider appointed him to this committee.
- Mr. Denihan mentioned that this is Eugenia Cash's last official meeting as an ADAMHS Board member due to a recent County appointment to her expired seat. Mr. Snider suggested that a Nominating Committee be convened soon to consider the concept of recommending Ms. Cash for a state appointment vacancy.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

Submitted by: Carol Krajewski, Executive Specialist

Approved by: Harvey A. Snider, Esq., ADAMHS Board Chairperson