

ADAMHS BOARD OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY

FAITH-BASED OUTREACH COMMITTEE MINUTES

JULY 1, 2015

Committee Members: Mary R. Warr, M.Ed., Com. Chair, Eugenia Cash, MSSA, LSW, CDCA, Rev. Benjamin F. Gohlstin, Sr. / **Absent:** Charlotte Rerko, MSN, RN, BC, Reginald C. Blue, Ph.D., Anngela Williams

Board Staff Present: William M. Denihan, C.E.O., Valeria Harper, Carol Krajewski, Scott Osiecki, Starlette Sizemore-Rice, Danielle Connors, Intern

1. CALL TO ORDER

Committee Chair, Mary Warr, called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Rev. Gohlstin was asked to read aloud the Committee Mission Statement: ***“To recognize and advocate spirituality in the recovery process; to connect the spiritual perspective with other interventions and best practices; and to promote the concept that treatment works and people recover.”***

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the March 4, 2015 Faith-Based Outreach Committee meeting were approved as submitted.

Follow-up Report: As requested in March, information was obtained from the Franklin County ADAMHS Board regarding its prevention programs specific to faith-based programming by Mr. Denihan and Ms. Sizemore-Rice through a conference call. Ms. Sizemore-Rice prepared a document highlighting the various programs that is attached to the original minutes stored in the Executive Unit.

Ms. Warr noted that although the formal committee has not met since March, committee members have been working behind the scenes to move the committee's agenda forward. Additionally, Ms. Warr commented on the QPR (Question, Persuade and Refer) Suicide Prevention Training for the faith-based community held in May and thanked Board staff for reaching out to attendees and hosting a very informative event.

3. REQUEST FOR INFORMATION (RFI) PROCESS FOR FAITH-BASED INITIATIVES

Mr. Denihan noted that recently a preliminary discussion was held with committee members, Mary Warr and Rev. Gohlstin regarding the development of a RFI for faith-based initiatives. He expressed his appreciation for their input as this is a brand new concept for the ADAMHS Board. Based upon the discussion, Board staff distributed a draft RFI document for committee members review and input. Discussion followed on the wording of item #1 of the potential RFI areas on page 3. Rev. Gohlstin suggested using “and/or through an assessment”. It was noted that Board staff will make the requested changes and provide feedback to committee members prior to the RFI release.

Ms. Sizemore-Rice explained that the RFI was comprised of two components--Behavioral Health Services and Prevention--each consisting of 6 items for responses. The tentative timelines were shared. RFI release is scheduled for Tuesday, July 7, 2015. A pre-bid conference is scheduled for Monday, July 20, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. at the ADAMHS Board. The RFI Submission Deadline is Monday, August 10, 2015, by 5:00 p.m. Mr. Denihan asked if both Ms. Warr and Rev. Gohlstin could consider attending the pre-bidders conference on 7/20/15.

Regarding the RFI process, all questions from respondents shall be directed to: rfi@adamhsc.org with the subject line: RFI Question. All questions and accompanying answers will be posted on-line several days after the pre-bid conference.

4. NEXT MEETING - Wednesday, September 2, 2015 at 3:00 p.m.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Submitted by: Carol Krajewski, Executive Specialist

Approved by: Mary R. Warr, M.Ed., Faith-Based Outreach Committee Chair