

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

NOMINATING COMMITTEE MINUTES MAY 14, 2014

Nominating Committee Chair, Ericka Thoms, called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. in the Ohio Room.

Committee Members Present: Robert Fowler, Ph.D., Pythias Jones, M.D., Ericka Thoms

Absent: Rev. Benjamin F. Gohlstein, Sr., Harvey A. Snider, Esq.

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

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – The Nominating Committee minutes of 5/08/13 were approved as submitted.

2. **RECOMMENDED BOARD OFFICER SLATE FOR FY2015**

Nominating Committee Chair, Ericka Thoms, announced that three Board members submitted letters of intent expressing an interest in a Board Officer position for FY2015; they are in alphabetical order:

- David E. Biegel, Ph.D.
- Eugenia Cash, LSW, MSSA, CDCA
- Pythias D. Jones, M.D.

Ms. Thoms reported that prior to the 4/30/14 submission deadline, Dr. Biegel, who submitted his letter of intent for the position of Vice Chair or 2nd Vice Chair, indicated that he was also interested in the position of Chairperson, given the fact that his job responsibilities will lessen to a degree in the near future.

Ms. Thoms opened the floor for discussion. Committee members shared their opinions regarding the candidate's strengths, experience, attendance, contributions, etc. Time was spent considering the two candidates interested in the position of Chair. Based upon the discussion, Nominating Committee members came to a consensus; consequently, Ms. Thoms entertained a motion.

Dr. Fowler moved to approve the slate of officers for FY2015 (shown below) to the full Board. Seconded by Pythias Jones, M.D. / AYES: E. Thoms, R. Fowler, P. Jones / NAYS: None / ABSTAIN: None / **Motion carried.**

- Chairperson: Eugenia Cash, LSW, MSSA, CDCA
- Vice Chair: David E. Biegel, Ph.D.
- Second Vice Chair: Pythias D. Jones, M.D.

3. **REVIEW OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPOINTMENT TERM ROSTER**

Review of the updated Appointment Term Roster reflects the recent county reappointment of Ericka Thoms, (Term: 3/24/14 to 3/24/18) and the county appointment vacancy given the resignation of William J. Tobin. Mr. Denihan relayed a recent conversation with James Boyle, the Special Assistant to the Director, regarding the current county appointment vacancy. Mr. Boyle asked if the ADAMHS Board had qualified candidates that it would like to recommend.

Ms. Thoms asked Ms. Krajewski to check on the applications on file. It was also noted that previously Board members have expressed an interest in considering Non-Board members serving on the Planning & Oversight Committee as potential Board members based upon their experience and commitment to the ADAMHS Board. Ms. Thoms stated that it may be necessary to convene another Nominating Committee meeting.

Input on the process for county appointment vacancy & re-appointments:

- Submit plural names; note the reason & potential contribution for each candidate "for the vacancy ONLY".
- Advocate for re-appointing current Board members due to their valuable and faithful service; include a brief paragraph highlighting their expertise and contributions.

4. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ms. Thoms announced the need to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing a Board member appointment.

Motion to enter into Executive Session. MOTION: R. Fowler / SECOND: P. Jones / A roll call vote was taken. AYES: R. Fowler, P. Jones, E. Thoms / NAYS: None / **Motion carried.**

Nominating Committee members moved to the Cardinal Room to meet in Executive Session.

Upon their return to the Ohio Room, a motion was entertained to exit the Executive Session and resume the Executive Committee meeting.

Motion to exit the Executive Session. MOTION: R. Fowler / SECOND: P. Jones / A roll call vote was taken. AYES: R. Fowler, P. Jones, E. Thoms / NAYS: None / **Motion carried.**

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

Submitted by: Carol Krajewski, Executive Specialist

Approved by: Ericka L. Thoms, Nominating Committee Chair