

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

NOMINATING COMMITTEE MINUTES
APRIL 25, 2012

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

Committee Members Present: Pythias Jones, M.D., Rick Kemm, MNO, Rev. Charlotte Still Noble, Ericka Thoms
Board Staff Present: Carol Krajewski, Executive Specialist

1. **Approval of Minutes** – The Nominating Committee minutes of March 14, 2012 were approved as submitted.

2. **Review and Consider Candidate Submissions for Board Officer Positions**

In response to the Nominating Committee's invitation to all Board members to express their interest in serving as a Board Officer in FY13, Ms. Thoms reported that three responses had been received. Each respondent was interested in a different officer position. Committee members conferred on the process to be used for reviewing the information and agreed to individually comment on each submission.

According to ADAMHS Board Bylaws, the proposed slate of Board Officers is to be presented at the General Meeting in May. This is the only opportunity for additional nominations from the floor. Based upon the discussion, committee members understood that if a nomination was received from the floor, the slate would remain the same, another Nominating Committee meeting would not be necessary, and the person nominated from the floor would simply run against the individual running for that particular officer position.

Ms. Thoms noted that the FY13 Election of Officers will be scheduled for the General Meeting on June 27, 2012.

3. **Recommendation: FY13 Slate of Board Officers**

BOARD CHAIR

Harvey A. Snider is interested in serving as FY2013 Board Chair. Committee members concurred that Mr. Snider is well-respected in the community, has a vast amount of experience and leadership skills through his previous service as a past Board President of a behavioral health agency, past President of NAMI Ohio and membership on various community organizations. (Letter of interest is attached to original minutes in Executive Unit.)

Motion to recommend approval of Harvey A. Snider as Board Chair for FY2013 to the full Board.

MOTION: P. Jones / SECOND: R. Kemm / AYES: P. Jones, R. Kemm, C. Noble, E. Thoms / NAYS: None

Motion passed.

VICE CHAIR

Eugenia Cash has served for the past two years as Second Vice Chair and is interested in moving up to VICE Chair. Committee members shared that Ms. Cash has consistently shown a strong commitment to the ADAMHS Board, is highly supportive and has been an integral part in annual CEO performance evaluations. (Letter of interest is attached to original minutes in Executive Unit.)

Motion to recommend approval of Eugenia Cash as Vice Chair for FY2013 to the full Board.

MOTION: R. Kemm / SECOND: C. Noble / AYES: P. Jones, R. Kemm, C. Noble, E. Thoms / NAYS: None

Motion passed.

[Dr. Jones temporarily excused himself from the committee meeting.]

SECOND VICE CHAIR

Pythias D. Jones, M.D., has indicated an interest in serving as Second Vice Chair. Committee members were impressed with the commitment and service of Dr. Jones on various Board committees and were similarly pleased that a psychiatrist is interested in serving as a Board Officer for the ADAMHS Board. (Letter of interest response is attached to original minutes in Executive Unit.)

Motion to recommend approval of Pythias D. Jones, M.D. as Second Vice Chair for FY2013 to the full Board.

MOTION: C. Noble / SECOND: R. Kemm / AYES: R. Kemm, C. Noble, E. Thoms / NAYS: None / **Motion passed.**

[Dr. Jones was invited to rejoin the committee meeting.]

Based upon committee decisions, Ms. Thoms identified the proposed slate of Board Officers for FY2013:

- Board Chair – Harvey A. Snider
- Vice Chair – Eugenia Cash, MSSA, LSW
- Second Vice Chair – Pythias D. Jones, M.D.

4. Old Business

Discussion followed on the status of Board member reappointments. Updated appointment rosters reflected the two existing county appointment vacancies given the resignations of Dr. Tatiana Falcone and Rev. Iris Lynn Bailey. Ms. Thoms noted that resignation notification letters sent to the County Executive from Mr. Denihan included a paragraph stating, "in the past, we have submitted candidates for your consideration. Please advise if you wish recommendations." (Updated appointment term roster is attached to original minutes in Executive Unit.)

ACTION: Ms. Thoms offered to talk with Mr. Denihan for his input on the next steps to take regarding additional Board members who will be approaching the end of their first term as well as for the two Board members—Richard A. Folbert (ODMH appointment) and Rick A. Kemm (ODADAS appointment) who will be coming to the end of their 1st state appointment terms as of 6/30/12.

5. New Business

- Ms. Thoms noted that she will provide a brief Nominating Committee Update at the April General Meeting around the committee's activities and explain the upcoming process for the election of Board Officers.
- Mr. Kemm noted that he has asked several people from the Hispanic/Latino community to indicate their interest in potential Board membership.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Submitted by: Carol Krajewski, Executive Specialist

Approved by: Ericka L. Thoms, Nominating Committee Chair