

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

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

JUNE 27, 2012

Board of Directors Present:

Rev. Charlotte Still Noble	Pythias Jones, M.D.
David E. Biegel, Ph.D.	Rick A. Kemm, MNO
Pastor Charles E. Brown	J. Richard Romaniuk, Ph.D.,
Eugenia Cash, MSSA, LSW	Harvey A. Snider, Esq.
Richard A. Folbert	Ericka L. Thoms
J. Robert Fowler, Ph.D.	Anngela Williams
Rev. Benjamin F. Gohlstin, Sr.	

Absent: Reginald C. Blue, Ph.D., Mary R. Warr, M.Ed.

ADAMHS Board Staff Present: William M. Denihan, C.E.O., Christina Delos Reyes, M.D., Tami Fischer, Cheryl Fratalonie, John Garrity, Ph.D., Esmat Nasr, Scott Osiecki, Ralph Piatak, Cassandra Richardson, Starlette Sizemore-Rice, Maggie Tolbert

1. CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair, Rev. Noble, called the General Meeting to order at 4:00 PM; no audience input was received on agenda items.

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF FUNDRAISER FOR SUICIDE PREVENTION HOTLINE

Mr. Denihan acknowledged John Porter and the JJ Grimm Band for hosting a heavy metal concert fundraiser on May 19, 2012 to benefit the Cuyahoga County 24-Hour Suicide Prevention, Mental Health Crisis and Information and Referral Hotline for Adults and Children, operated by Mental Health Services, Inc. Although Mr. Porter was unable to be present, the ADAMHS Board wishes to publicly acknowledge his commitment to this cause. Certificates have been prepared and will be delivered to him.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The General Meeting minutes of May 23, 2012 were approved as submitted.

4. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Nominating Committee Chair, Ericka Thoms, presented the recommended Slate of Officers for FY2013:

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

Motion to elect the recommended Slate of Officers for FY2013 (as listed above). MOTION: B. Gohlstin
SECOND: D. Biegel / AYES: D. Biegel, C. Brown, E. Cash, R. Folbert, R. Fowler, B. Gohlstin, P. Jones, R. Kemm, R. Romaniuk, H. Snider, E. Thoms, A. Williams / NAYS: None / ABSTAIN: None / **Motion passed.**

5. FAITH-BASED OUTREACH COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee Chair, Rev. Benjamin F. Gohlstin, Sr., reported that the Faith-Based Outreach Committee met on 6/6/12. Committee members briefly revisited the committee's mission statement, addressed the possibility of providing an additional suicide intervention workshop given limited funds, and considered the overwhelming response received from interested community representatives to participate on the committee.

6. PLANNING AND OVERSIGHT (P&O) COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee Chair, Dr. Pythias Jones, reported on the meeting held on 6/13/12 and elaborated on the seven agenda items. (Details on topics listed below can be found in the P&O minutes posted on the ADAMHS Board's Web site.)

- Strategic Prevention Framework State Incentive Grant – goals specifically target the 18-25 year olds engaged in high risk uses of alcohol, illicit drugs and misusing prescription drugs.
- Cognitive Behavioral Therapy for Persistent Psychosis Project
- SCALE Update – wait list has been zero for three straight weeks.
- Community Plan Supplement Update
- Bridgeway, Inc. Update – given by Michael Doud, Adult Behavioral Health Services Administrator
- Housing First Initiative – power point presentation by staff of Enterprise Community Partners
- Future Topics for P&O Committee:
 - Early Childhood Mental Health Update (July)
 - Spend Down Project (September)
 - Health Homes

7. FINANCE & OPERATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Pastor Charles Brown, Committee Chair, reported on the 6/20/12 Finance & Operations Committee meeting and acknowledged the work of Ms. Richardson in preparing and summarizing the various reports. Pastor Brown introduced the recommended resolutions. Per a Board member's request, Pastor Brown suggested that Resolution No. 12-06-01 be pulled from the Consent Agenda and voted on separately.

- **RESOLUTION NO. 12-06-01
ACCEPTING THE REPORTS OF THE C.E.O. ON EXPENDITURES AND VOUCHERS PROCESSED FOR PAYMENT DURING JUNE 2012**

Motion to approve Resolution No. 12-06-01. MOTION: B. Gohlstin / SECOND: E. Cash / AYES: C. Brown, E. Cash, R. Folbert, R. Fowler, B. Gohlstin, P. Jones, R. Kemm, R. Romaniuk, H. Snider, E. Thoms, A. Williams NAYS: None / ABSTAIN: D. Biegel / **Motion passed.**

CONSENT AGENDA - (Res. No. 12-06-02 through Res. No. 12-06-05)

- **RESOLUTION NO. 12-06-02, APPROVAL OF INTERAGENCY AGREEMENT:**
 - ◊ Cuyahoga County Board of Developmental Disabilities: Shared Service Agreement – Beech Brook
- **RESOLUTION NO. 12-06-03, APPROVAL OF SERVICE PROVIDER CONTRACTS:**
 - ◊ Cuyahoga County Board of Developmental Disabilities: Shared Service Agreement – Beech Brook
 - ◊ Cognitive Behavioral Therapy for Persistent Psychosis: Connections: Health-Wellness-Advocacy
 - ◊ Amendment to Resolution 11-09-03(5) ODYS Aftercare Program – Catholic Charities Services
- **RESOLUTION NO. 12-06-04, APPROVAL OR RATIFICATION OF OPERATIONAL AGREEMENT:**
 - ◊ Administrative Office Upgrade Maintenance Cleaning Contract – Recovery Resources
- **RESOLUTION NO. 12-06-05, APPROVAL OF PERSONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT:**
 - ◊ Agreements with Licensed Adult Care Facilities – (listed on resolution attachment)

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda (Res. Nos. 12-06-02 through 12-06-05). MOTION: B. Gohlstin SECOND: R. Kemm / AYES: D. Biegel, C. Brown, E. Cash, R. Folbert, R. Fowler, B. Gohlstin, P. Jones, R. Kemm, R. Romaniuk, H. Snider, E. Thoms, A. Williams / NAYS: None / ABSTAIN: None / **Motion passed.**

- **RESOLUTION NO. 12-06-06**

AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR 2012 INDEPENDENT PEER REVIEW – BROWN CONSULTING, LTD.

The Finance & Operations Committee recommends awarding a contract for Independent Peer Review of Detoxification services to Brown Consulting, LTD., for the period July 1, 2012 to September 15, 2012 in the amount not to exceed \$14,960.00.

Motion to approve Resolution No. 12-06-06. MOTION: B. Gohlstin / SECOND: D. Biegel / AYES: D. Biegel, C. Brown, E. Cash, R. Folbert, R. Fowler, B. Gohlstin, P. Jones, R. Kemm, R. Romaniuk, H. Snider, E. Thoms, A. Williams / NAYS: None / ABSTAIN: None / **Motion passed.**

- **RESOLUTION NO. 12-06-07**

ACCEPTANCE OF FY2013 BED DAY PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

Mr. Denihan explained that a new Bed Day program is being proposed by ODMH that combine forensic beds with civil beds and this participation agreement will require:

- Monitoring civil and commitment stays for consumers admitted to the ODMH regional psychiatric hospital;
- Receipt of an upfront incentive allocation of \$291,762.00 for agreeing to participate as part of the agreement;
- Potential to receive additional funding if successful in reducing bed day usage below the three year average;
- Acceptance eliminates the current reconciliation process.

A friendly amendment was accepted to correct Resolution No. 12-06-07 to read “three-year” average.

Motion to approve Resolution No. 12-06-07 as amended. MOTION: R. Fowler / SECOND: H. Snider / AYES: D. Biegel, C. Brown, E. Cash, R. Folbert, R. Fowler, B. Gohlstin, P. Jones, R. Kemm, R. Romaniuk, H. Snider, E. Thoms, A. Williams / NAYS: None / ABSTAIN: None / **Motion passed.**

- **RESOLUTION NO. 12-06-08**

RECONSIDERATION OF REQUEST FOR ADVANCE FROM HISPANIC UMADAOP

Mr. Denihan noted that this situation developed as a result of Hispanic UMADAOP being asked by its landlord to move its residential treatment program since the building was being sold. The move was far more challenging than anticipated and has affected the agency financially. Mr. Denihan was informed by the Interim Executive Director that all documents were submitted except for one.

Francisco J. Alfonso, Interim Executive Director, explained that unforeseen difficulties prevented the agency from opening and providing services to clients; consequently, under the fee-for-service system, they were not eligible for funding. This caused the financial dilemma which was presented to the Finance & Operations Committee. Mr. Alfonso apologized for not having the final cost report document (047) that establishes billing rates. Ms. Richardson noted that she would need time to review the material recently delivered.

Rev. Noble and Mr. Denihan explained that passage of this resolution would authorize the CEO to grant the advance request if all of the conditions and requirements are met.

Motion to approve Resolution No. 12-06-08. MOTION: E. Thoms / SECOND: E. Cash / AYES: D. Biegel, C. Brown, E. Cash, R. Folbert, R. Fowler, B. Gohlstin, P. Jones, R. Kemm, R. Romaniuk, H. Snider, E. Thoms, A. Williams / NAYS: None / ABSTAIN: None / **Motion passed.**

- **RESOLUTION NO. 12-06-09**
SUPPORT OF PARITY FOR NON-MEDICAID ALLOCATIONS

Pastor Brown reiterated the Finance & Operations Committee's reaction to the recent distribution of Non-Medicaid funds to the largest county in the state. The document shared by ODMH shows that the average Non-Medicaid allocation amount for an Ohio resident needing mental health services is \$4.20 per person, while the average for a resident living in Cuyahoga County is 20 cents per person--the lowest in the state. The lack of parity is unacceptable and this resolution provides a response from the Board of Directors. A minor revision was noted; the amount recorded should read, "\$405,524.00; the friendly amendment was accepted.

Motion to approve Resolution No. 12-06-09 as amended. MOTION: H. Snider / SECOND: B. Gohlstin
AYES: D. Biegel, C. Brown, E. Cash, R. Folbert, R. Fowler, B. Gohlstin, P. Jones, R. Kemm, R. Romaniuk, H. Snider, E. Thoms, A. Williams / NAYS: None / ABSTAIN: None / **Motion passed.**

8. CHAIR'S REPORT

Rev. Noble officially announced that she submitted a letter of resignation, effective 6/30/12, to both CEO Denihan and incoming Chair, Harvey Snider. She stated that she genuinely enjoyed working with Board members and staff and truly appreciated their skill and commitment. As she espouses the principal that it is good form when someone is rotating out of a position of leadership for them to move on to future things, she plans to do just that. Her immediate plan include various travels. She thanked everyone for the privilege of serving as ADAMHSCC Board Chair. She thanked CEO Denihan for working with her and for the knowledge she gained. Rev. Noble also recognized and thanked her husband for his encouragement and support.

Mr. Denihan noted that it was a delight and pleasure to work with Rev. Charlotte Still Noble as she has shown leadership, compassion and a commitment to serve others in need. Rev. Noble was presented with a ceremonial clock engraved with the following message, *"In appreciation of your exemplary leadership, unwavering commitment, heartfelt compassion and years of dedicated service to the behavioral health community."*

9. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

Mr. Denihan highlighted items featured in the CEO Headliners dated June 27, 2012 (attached to minutes).

- Mr. Denihan reported that the ADAMHS Board recently participated in the Culture of Quality Peer Certification Survey from OACBHA. He recognized the efforts of Dr. John Garrity in coordinating the preparation for the Culture of Quality review and was very proud of the Executive Team and their hard work to showcase the overall work and mission of the ADAMHS Board.
- Mr. Denihan highlighted the ODADAS Town Hall Meeting held in the Ohio Room on June 21st (featured on page 2 of the CEO Headliners); over 90 citizens participated in the meeting. Panelists included Dr. Christine Delos Reyes and Board member, Richard Folbert.
- A meeting was held on 6/14/12 with approximately 25 neighbors near the Seasons of Hope Safe House donated by Third Federal Savings and Loan. The neighbors were positively receptive to the project and many have volunteered to serve on the advisory committee. A go-ahead has been received by the citizens and Kevin Conwell, Ward 9 Councilman.
- Mr. Denihan highlighted our county's successful outcomes in reducing admissions through the various re-entry initiatives. Efforts are focusing on this because when the state reduced behavioral health funding, it increased the vulnerability of these programs at a time when they are most needed.
- Mr. Denihan noted that the Parity Resolution adopted by the full Board will be shared with ODMH Director Tracy Plouck at a separate meeting next Monday. She will be in town on 7/2/12 from 1:00-4:00 PM for an ODMH Regional Meeting that will focus on housing issues.

10. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

- On behalf of the newly elected officers, Mr. Snider thanked the Nominating Committee, its Chair, Ericka Thoms, and all of the Board members for their vote of confidence and for the leadership opportunity to serve the Board and community. Mr. Snider is enthusiastic about this new opportunity and asks for everyone's help. If Board members are interested in serving on a particular committee, they were asked to contact him. Mr. Snider considers himself an activist and intends to bring issues forward and invited Board members to do the same. Mr. Snider thanked Rev. Noble for her inspiration and excellent leadership.

11. AUDIENCE INPUT

- Greg Uhland, Executive Director of ORCA House, noted that Bob Garrity, a panel member at the recent Cuyahoga County Town Hall Meeting, has also served as an ORCA Board member for many years. On behalf of ORCA House and the behavioral health system as a whole, Mr. Uhland stated that all have appreciated Rev. Noble's contributions to the system and will miss her very much.

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION

There being no further input, Rev. Noble entertained a motion to enter into an Executive Session for the purpose of discussing a personnel and legal matter.

Motion to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing a personnel and legal matter.

MOTION: B. Gohlstin / SECOND: H. Snider / A roll call vote was taken. AYES: C. Noble, D. Biegel, C. Brown, E. Cash, R. Folbert, R. Fowler, B. Gohlstin, P. Jones, R. Kemm, R. Romaniuk, H. Snider, E. Thoms, A. Williams

Motion carried.

[Eugenia Cash left the Executive Session.]

Motion to exit the Executive Session and resume the General Meeting. MOTION: B. Gohlstin

SECOND: E. Thoms / A roll call vote was taken. AYES: C. Noble, D. Biegel, C. Brown, R. Folbert, R. Fowler, B. Gohlstin, P. Jones, R. Kemm, R. Romaniuk, H. Snider, E. Thoms, A. Williams / **Motion carried.**

RESOLUTION NO. 12-06-10**AUTHORIZATION TO EXPLORE PURCHASE OF PROPERTIES FORMERLY OWNED/OPERATED BY BRIDGEWAY, INC.**

WHEREAS, the ADAMHS Board of Cuyahoga County Chief Executive Officer and staff have been implementing the Bridgeway Transition plan as authorized in Resolution No. 12-04-01, and;

WHEREAS, Bridgeway owned and/or operated a total of 22 properties, including three residential facilities, 16 independent living sites and one crisis stabilization unit, and;

WHEREAS, to maintain the continuity of care for consumers, the ADAMHS Board of Cuyahoga County wishes to explore the possibility of purchasing select Bridgeway properties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. The ADAMHS Board of Cuyahoga County authorizes its Chief Executive Officer and/or his designees, with appropriate legal counsel, to explore the possibility of purchasing selected Bridgeway properties in an amount not to exceed \$150,000.

On the motion of Rev. Benjamin F. Gohlstin, Sr., seconded by Rick Kemm, the foregoing resolution was adopted.

AYES: D. Biegel, C. Brown, R. Fowler, B. Gohlstin, P. Jones, R. Kemm, H. Snider, C. Still Noble,
E. Thoms, A. Williams

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

DATE ADOPTED: June 27, 2012

There being no further business, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 6:25 p.m.

Submitted by: Carol Krajewski, Executive Specialist

*Approved by: _____
Harvey A. Snider, Esq., Chairperson/ADAMHS Board of Cuyahoga County*