

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

**GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 24, 2018**

LOCATION: BELLEFAIRE JEWISH CHILDREN'S BUREAU
22001 Fairmount Blvd., Shaker Heights, OH 44118

ADAMHS BOARD OF DIRECTORS PRESENT:

Rev. Benjamin F. Gohlstin, Sr.	Steve Killpack, MS
Reginald C. Blue, Ph.D.	Eugenia Kirkland, LSW, MSSA, CDCA
Gregory X. Boehm, M.D.	Max M. Rodas, MA
Erskine Cade, MBA	Hugh B. Shannon
Cassi Handler	Harvey A. Snider, Esq.
Gwendolyn A. Howard, LSW, MSSA	Mary M. Step, Ph.D.
Katie Kern-Pilch, ATR-BC, LPC-S	

ABSENT: Elsie Caraballo, J. Robert Fowler, Ph.D., Sharon Rosenbaum, MBA

BOARD STAFF PRESENT: Scott Osiecki, Chief Executive Officer, Carole Ballard, Tonya Birney, Tami Fischer, Bob Garrity, Felicia Harrison, Carol Krajewski, Beth Pfohl, Starlette Sizemore-Rice, Maggie Spellman, Maggie Tolbert, Linda Torbert, Beth Zietlow-DeJesus

1. CALL TO ORDER / AUDIENCE INPUT

Board Chair, Rev. Benjamin Gohlstin, called the General Meeting to order at 4:00 p.m., welcomed all in attendance and thanked Adam G. Jacobs, Ph.D., President of Bellefaire JCB, and Jeff Lox, Bellefaire JCB's Executive Director, for hosting the ADAMHS Board of Director's General Meeting in the Wuliger Center. No audience input was received regarding agenda items.

Vice Chair, Eugenia Kirkland, read into the record the ADAMHS Board's Mission and Vision Statements:

MISSION: Enhance the quality of life for our community through a commitment to excellence in mental health and addiction prevention, treatment and recovery services coordinated through a person-centered network of community supports.

VISION: Mental health, addiction, prevention, treatment and recovery services will be available and accessible for every county resident in need and the ADAMHS Board will provide a preeminent, seamless and integrated system of care.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - The September 26, 2018 General Meeting minutes were approved as submitted.

3. CHAIR'S REPORT

Rev. Gohlstin commented on the wonderful Annual Training/Board Retreat held on Saturday, October 13th, that included presentations by Dr. Ciara Dennis-Morgan and Dr. Stephen Sroka. The goal of the training was to further instruct Board members on its processes and to begin to sensitize our Board and, in the near future, our providers to become more culturally specific in our service delivery model to the residents of our County.

The November meeting cycle was shared: Community Relations & Advocacy Committee will meet on November 7th, the Committee of the Whole will meet on November 14th and the General Meeting is scheduled for the last Wednesday of the month, November 28th, the Wednesday after the Thanksgiving holiday.

4. FAITH-BASED OUTREACH COMMITTEE REPORT

The Chair noted that Rev. Rodas was detained and that the report would be tabled until his arrival.

5. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE REPORT

- **Purchasing Policy Statement** - Rev. Gohlstin introduced additional language highlighted on page 4 of the Purchasing Policy clarifying the ADAMHS Board's stance on the issue of a one-time purchase of supplies, equipment of services. The sentence now reads, "Although Ohio Revised Code Section 307.86 does not require competitive bidding for one-time purchase of goods / equipment / services, under \$50,000.00, the ADAMHS Board requires said purchases to be approved if in excess of \$25,000.00."

As a result, this will be considered the 1st reading for the Purchasing Policy, and it will be brought back before the Board at the November General Meeting for a 2nd reading and official vote.

- **RESOLUTION NO. 18-10-01
AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) CY2019 FAITH-BASED OUTREACH INITIATIVE PROGRAM**

Motion to approve Resolution 18-10-01. MOTION: E. Kirkland / SECOND: S. Killpack / AYES: R. Blue, G. Boehm, E. Cade, B. Gohlstin, C. Handler, G. Howard, K. Kern-Pilch, S. Killpack, E. Kirkland, H. Shannon, H. Snider, M. Step / NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None / **Motion passed.**

- **RESOLUTION NO. 18-10-02
AUTHORIZING COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (COG) SERVICE ORGANIZATION CONTROL (SOC) AUDIT**

Motion to approve Resolution 18-10-02. MOTION: R. Blue / SECOND: E. Kirkland / AYES: R. Blue, G. Boehm, E. Cade, B. Gohlstin, C. Handler, G. Howard, K. Kern-Pilch, S. Killpack, E. Kirkland, H. Shannon, H. Snider, M. Step / NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None / **Motion passed.**

POLICY STATEMENT RENEWAL: 1st Reading & Official Vote

- **GUIDELINES FOR DETOXIFICATION SERVICES FUNDED WITH NON-MEDICAID DOLLARS**

Being no further discussion on the policy statement, a call for the vote was entertained.

Motion to approve Policy Statement: Guidelines for Detoxification Services Funded with Non-Medicaid Dollars

MOTION: C. Handler / SECOND: R. Blue / AYES: R. Blue, G. Boehm, E. Cade, B. Gohlstin, C. Handler, G. Howard, K. Kern-Pilch, S. Killpack, E. Kirkland, H. Shannon, H. Snider, M. Step / NAYS: None / ABSTAIN: None / **Motion passed.**

CONSENT AGENDA - (Resolution Nos. 18-10-03 through 18-10-05)

Chief Financial Officer, Felicia Harrison, highlighted the Vouchers, Contracts and Amendments as listed below.

- **RESOLUTION NO. 18-10-03 - ACCEPTING THE REPORT OF THE CEO ON EXPENDITURES AND VOUCHERS PROCESSED FOR PAYMENT DURING SEPTEMBER 2018**
- **RESOLUTION NO. 18-10-04 – APPROVAL AND RATIFICATION OF CONTRACTS:**
 1. US Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance Grant – Comprehensive Opiate Abuse Site-Based Program
 - Begun Center for Violence Prevention Research & Education, Case Western Reserve University (CWRU) - \$932,233 over a 3-year time period
 2. *Ohio Mental Health & Addiction Services (OhioMHAS) Grant Funding for Psychotropic Drug Reimbursement
 - Cuyahoga County Sheriff's Department - \$6,576.00
 3. Cuyahoga County Invest in Children (IIC): Diagnostic Classification for Ages 0-5 (DC: 0-5) Training for Early Childhood Mental Health (ECMH) Contract Agencies
 - Zero to Three - \$17,800.00

- **RESOLUTION NO. 18-10-05 – AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION NO. 17-10-05: APPROVAL OF COMMUNITY CAPITAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION**
 - The Briermost Foundation - \$12,326.00 Increase

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda (Resolution Nos. 18-10-03 through 18-10-05. MOTION: R. Blue

SECOND: E. Kirkland AYES: R. Blue, G. Boehm, E. Cade, B. Gohlstin, C. Handler, G. Howard, K. Kern-Pilch, S. Killpack, E. Kirkland, H. Shannon, H. Snider, M. Step / NAYS: None / ABSTAIN: None / **Motion passed.**

6. CY2019 BUDGET DISCUSSION

Scott Osiecki, Chief Executive Officer, reported that several inquiries were received from Board members based upon their review of the budget material and that questions were answered as they came in. Mr. Osiecki highlighted changes made to the updated pages distributed to Board members for their budget binders and summarized the proposed pilot programs that aim to address several of the Board's established priorities.

Regarding the reduction of \$4 million of funding as a result of the discontinuation of the 1915a Medicaid waiver, a question was asked how the Board can recommend funding several new programs. Mr. Osiecki noted that this loss of funding covered children's services. Originally support to schools came through a grant from Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA); however, this grant ended and other Cuyahoga County funding to the Board to support school-based programs was discontinued. It was determined that for school-based programs some school systems have various revenue streams for school-based and/or prevention programs.

As the ADAMHS Board advances in the provision of recovery support services, new programs were considered to match the priorities set forth by the Board. Mr. Osiecki noted that the Board still funds treatment services for persons who are not eligible for Medicaid or until individuals are approved for Medicaid. He explained that recommended funding for new programs was directed toward both new and existing providers. New programs were funded based on our CY2019 priorities.

Mr. Osiecki stated that providers received a 10% reduction across the Board unless the services or programs addressed one of the Board's priorities. If an agency included a program or service that targeted one of the Board's priorities, the funding remained the same as CY2018. Ms. Kirkland advocated for continuing to look for opportunities to proactively collaborate to capture grant dollars and also suggested the concept of pulling together a workgroup to look at potential collaboration and funding opportunities.

Mr. Killpack noted that he appreciated that some school districts may have extra funding for school-based services while other systems may not. He suggested that the Board consider surveying the various systems to gather information about what systems may need funding for school-based services.

Since acupuncture was recommended for funding, Mr. Snider asked if dental and podiatry services might also be considered as an additional holistic component for clients. Rev. Gohlstin noted that acupuncture is a treatment modality for mental health issues. Discussion followed. Mr. Osiecki noted these services are covered by Medicaid. Ms. Tolbert added that there are other services available for the small percentage of clients who do not have Medicaid.

Mr. Killpack asked that the outcome report previously requested be sent electronically to Board members. Mr. Osiecki concurred and added that as a result of a Board member's request, agencies participating in pooled funding will be noted on the list by a check mark.

[Rev. Rodas arrived.]

7. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

- **Staff Update/Table of Organization**
 - Chief Administrative Officer, Tami Fischer, reported that Lindsey McMillion, LISW, has been hired as an Adult Behavioral Specialist and began her work with the Board in October. She has a strong background in Forensics and most recently served as a Psychiatric Specialist in the Emergency Room at MetroHealth Medical Center.

- Mr. Osiecki noted that efforts have begun to interview for the position of Chief Technology & Data Analytics Officer.
- **Opiate Lawsuit**
A litigation-hold letter was sent to all provider agencies requesting them not to destroy any or all documentation.
- **Stepping Up Initiative**
The Stepping Up Initiative is a national effort to divert people with mental illness from jails and into treatment. Mr. Osiecki attended the state-wide Stepping Up Initiative Conference in Columbus on 10/22/18 and learned about other examples of Stepping Up Initiatives. Mr. Osiecki currently serves as a Tri-Chair of Cuyahoga County's Stepping Up Initiative.

8. FAITH-BASED OUTREACH COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee Chair, Rev. Max Rodas, reported on the Faith-based Outreach Committee meeting held on 10/03/18. A Provider Status Report, as of August 2018, was presented to committee members. A discussion was held about the Interfaith Breakfast event held on 9/17/18 and consideration of a potential provider breakfast to be sponsored in January 2019.

A Request for Proposal (RFP) for CY2019 Faith-based Outreach Initiative Program was reviewed. As the Faith-based Outreach Initiative Program had already exceeded its goal of reaching 1,480 individuals/families through trainings, prevention, intervention and awareness activities, committee members voted to increase the amount of the program from \$250,000.00 to \$300,000.00 for CY2019 to the full Board.

9. OLD/NEW BUSINESS – None

10. AUDIENCE INPUT

- Ms. Lu noted her support of the use of acupuncture as a way to provide pain relief and seizures and advocated for this natural treatment option.
- The new Executive Director of NAMI Greater Cleveland, Ms. Chris Mitnogna, was introduced. She noted that this was her 8th day with the organization and that she looks forward to collaboratively working with the ADAMHS Board.

11. PRESENTATION: BELLEFAIRE JEWISH CHILDREN'S BUREAU – Jeff Lox, Executive Director

Mr. Lox reported that Bellefaire JCB is the largest children's home and behavioral healthcare provider between Chicago and New York City. The agency alone serves about 28,000 children and families each year. Only 100 children live on campus. It is celebrating its 158th year of service. It was originally established in 1868 as an orphanage for Jewish soldiers in the American Civil War. The agency now serves a very diverse population.

Bellefaire also has a very large school-based program that reaches out to 175 schools between Cuyahoga County and Lorain. The agency also has offices in Lorain, Summit, and Medina Counties. Board members and staff were invited to tour the campus at the conclusion of the meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Submitted by: Carol Krajewski, Executive Specialist

Approved by:

Rev. Benjamin F. Gohlstin, Sr., Chairperson, ADAMHS Board of Cuyahoga County