

**ALCOHOL, DRUG ADDICTION AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES BOARD OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
JULY 26, 2017**

ADAMHS BOARD OF DIRECTORS PRESENT:

Eugenia Kirkland, LSW, MSSA, CDCA, Chair	Pythias D. Jones, M.D.
Reginald C. Blue, Ph.D.	Steve Killpack, MS
Elsie Caraballo	Ericka L. Thoms
Rev. Benjamin F. Gohlstin, Sr.,	Anngela Williams
Cassi Handler	

ABSENT: J. Robert Fowler, Ph.D., Harvey A. Snider, Esq., Mary R. Warr, M.Ed.

ADAMHS BOARD STAFF PRESENT: William M. Denihan, CEO, Frank Brickner, Tami Fischer, Cheryl Fratalone, John Garrity, Valeria Harper, Myra Henderson, Derrick Kirklen, Carol Krajewski, Dave Lambert, Michaele Smith, Starlette Sizemore-Rice, Maggie Spellman, Diane Taylor

1. CALL TO ORDER / AUDIENCE INPUT

Board Chair, Eugenia Kirkland, called the General Meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. No audience input received.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - The June 28, 2017 General Meeting minutes were approved as submitted.

3. RECOGNITION OF CLIENT ARTWORK DISPLAY

Mr. Denihan reported that the July Client Artwork Program featured the paintings of **Theresa Bynum**, a former transitional employee at the ADAMHS Board, and a current member of Magnolia Clubhouse. Theresa shared that she paints because it helps her through her depression and anxiety; she finds that art leaves her with a feeling of joy and excitement. A certificate of participation was awarded to Theresa for her artwork display.

4. CHAIR'S REPORT

Mrs. Kirkland noted that a tentative Saturday date in August is being considered for the Annual Board Training/Retreat. Board members will receive an email polling their availability for the training session and are welcome to contribute topics for discussion.

5. FAITH-BASED OUTREACH COMMITTEE REPORT

The Faith-based Outreach Committee met on 7/05/17. Rev. Gohlstin reported that committee members reviewed and approved two brochures—one that provides an overview of the Faith-based Outreach committee mission and the other that highlights the five Faith-based Outreach contract providers. Copies of the brochures will be produced in-house for distribution by committee members and Faith-based Outreach providers; they will also be posted on the Board's website.

Rev. Gohlstin reported on the radio interview program entitled, Healing the Hurt, held on Brenda & Friends, WERE, 1490 AM live Monday, 6/19/17. Both Rev. Gohlstin and Committee Chair, Mary Warr, shared information and conversation about the ADAMHS Board's Faith-based Outreach Committee and initiatives. The program was very well received and the radio station is interested in featuring a second broadcast to include representatives from the various faith-based providers and programs.

6. NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

Dr. Reginald Blue, Committee Chair, noted that committee members met on 7/26/17 just prior to the General Meeting with the goal of determining recommended candidates for two state appointment seats on the Board. The prospective candidates selected are individuals who each represent a client perspective (MH and AoD) as required by the Ohio Revised Code. The names of the recommended candidates will be submitted to the Board Chair for her consideration and approval.

7. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE REPORT

POLICY STATEMENT RENEWALS - (1st Reading & Official Vote)

- **PRIORITIZATION OF SERVICES/RESOURCES**
- **RECRUITMENT OF BOARD MEMBERS**
- **WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTION POLICY**

Given that minor changes to the policies listed above were reviewed and approved by the Committee of the Whole, Rev. Gohlstin moved for their approval as presented.

Motion to approve the Policy Statement Renewals (as listed above). MOTION: B. Gohlstin / SECOND: R. Blue
 AYES: R. Blue, E. Caraballo, B. Gohlstin, C. Handler, P. Jones, S. Killpack, E. Thoms, A. Williams / NAYS: None
 ABSTAIN: None / **Motion passed.**

CONSENT AGENDA

- **RESOLUTION NO. 17-07-01 - ACCEPTING THE REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER ON EXPENDITURES AND VOUCHERS PROCESSED FOR PAYMENT DURING JUNE 2017**

- **RESOLUTION NO. 17-07-02 - APPROVAL & RATIFICATION OF INTERAGENCY AGREEMENTS – *Pass-Through**
 1. Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Corrections – Intensive Community Treatment Team for Cleveland Adult Parole Office - \$275,000.00 (Contractor: Recovery Resources, Inc.)
 2. Ohio Department of Mental Health & Addiction Services (OhioMHAS) & Ohio Department of Youth Services – Behavioral Health and Juvenile Justice Project - \$500,000.00 (Contractors: Cuyahoga County Juvenile Court and Bellefaire Jewish Children’s Bureau)
 3. OhioMHAS – Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH) - \$305,723.18 (FrontLine Service)
 4. * OhioMHAS – Forensic Services Allocation -\$194,406.00 (Contractors: Recovery Resources, Inc. and Cuyahoga County Court Psychiatric Clinic)
 5. OhioMHAS – Early Childhood Mental Health -\$441,906.00 (Contractors: Bellefaire Children Services Bureau, Ohio Guidestone, Positive Education Program)
 6. * Cuyahoga County Corrections Planning Board – Adult Probation Vivitrol Program - \$100,000.00 (Salvation Army)
 7. * Amendment to Resolution Numbers 16-07-03 and 16-11-02 OhioMHAS - Cooperative Agreements to Benefit Homeless Individuals (CABHI) - \$50,634.00 Increase (Contractor: FrontLine Service)
 8. * Amendment to Resolution 17-01-04, Cuyahoga County Juvenile Court – Project CALM - \$2,073.72 Increase (Contractor: Applewood Centers, Inc.)
 9. Ohio Department of Mental Health & Addiction Services (OhioMHAS) – CURES Act - \$2,125,000.00

- **RESOLUTION NO. 17-07-03 - APPROVAL AND RATIFICATION OF SERVICE PROVIDER CONTRACTS**
 1. Ohio Dept. of Rehabilitation and Corrections – Intensive Community Treatment Team for Cleveland Adult Parole Office
 - Recovery Resources, Inc. - \$414,000.00
 2. OhioMHAS & Ohio Department of Youth Services – Behavioral Health and Juvenile Justice Project - \$561,567.00
 - Cuyahoga County Juvenile Court - \$472,746.00
 - Bellefaire Jewish Children’s Bureau - \$88,821.00
 3. OhioMHAS – Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH)
 - FrontLine Services - \$407,630.90
 4. Ohio Department of Mental Health & Addiction Services (OhioMHAS) – Forensic Services Allocation
 - Recovery Resources, Inc. - \$72,406.00
 - Cuyahoga County Court Psychiatric Clinic - \$122,000.00
 5. Ohio Department of Mental Health & Addiction Services (OhioMHAS) – Early Childhood Mental Health
 - Bellefaire Jewish Children’s Bureau. - \$155,972.00
 - Ohio Guidestone - \$168,511.00
 - Positive Education Program - \$112,261.00
 6. Cuyahoga County Corrections Planning Board - Vivitrol Program
 - Salvation Army - \$100,000.00
 7. Municipal Court Housing Coordinator
 - Cleveland Municipal Court - \$15,000.00
 8. Fentanyl Test Strips
 - Circle Health Services - \$15,000.00

- 9. Medical Center Transportation Pilot
 - St. Vincent Charity Medical Center - \$45,000.00

Amendments:

- 1. OhioMHAS - Cooperative Agreements to Benefit Homeless Individuals (CABHI)
 - FrontLine Service. - \$50,634.00 Increase
- 2. Amendment to Resolution 17-01-04, Cuyahoga County Juvenile Court – Project CALM - \$3,610.00
 - Applewood Centers, Inc. - \$2,073.72 Increase
- 3. Amendment to Resolution 15-11-05, Approval of CY 2016 ADAMHS Board Operational Budget and CY2016-2017 Service Provider Contracts – AOD Residential Treatment - \$710,350.00 Increase
 - Community Assessment and Treatment Services - \$199,000.00 Increase
 - Hispanic UMADAOP - \$111,350.00 Increase
 - Hitchcock Center for Women - \$200,000.00 Increase
 - ORCA House, Inc. - \$200,000.00 Increase

• **RESOLUTION NO. 17-07-04 - APPROVAL OF OPERATIONAL AGREEMENTS**

- 1. Infant Massage Training: Justine Tutuska - \$7,400.00
- 2. Sponsorship: Role of Primary Care in Combating Opiate Addiction, August 17, 2017 – Up to \$3,000.00
- 3. Sponsorship: NE Ohio Black Health Coalition State of Mental Health Disparities Conference –August 18-19, 2017 - \$2,000.00
- 4. Sponsorship: Recovery Lives Matter Expo & Concert on Saturday, September 30, 2017 - \$1,000.00

----- End of Consent Agenda-----

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda (Resolution Nos. 17-07-01 through 17-07-04). MOTION: B. Gohlstin
SECOND: R. Blue / AYES: R. Blue, E. Caraballo, B. Gohlstin, C. Handler, P. Jones, S. Killpack, E. Thoms, A. Williams
NAYS: None / ABSTAIN: None / **Motion passed.**

8. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT

- **State Budget** – Mr. Denihan reported that Congress is in the midst of considering the Healthcare Repeal bill, and the consequences of such a decision will impact the Board and the people we serve. The Board recently spearheaded a successful bus trip to Columbus, with approximately 50 advocates attending, in an effort to protect Medicaid in our state.
- **ADAMHSCC Board Budget Outlook 2018** – Mr. Denihan distributed 2 handouts that provided greater detail regarding the budget outlook for 2018; the documents are attached to the original minutes. The Board anticipates that the budget for 2018 will be a significant challenge.
 - Mr. Denihan shared his disappointment with the distribution of funds from the state regarding the Legislature’s approved funding of \$170 million over 2 years to combat the opioid epidemic that amounts to \$85 million per year. Only \$7 million was earmarked for ADAMHS Boards this year and a decision made to distribute 95% of the allocation equally to all 88 counties (rather than per capita) which results in \$75,000.00 per county. This may be adequate for smaller counties; however, it is not sufficient for the need and number of clients in Cuyahoga County.
 - Since 2014, the Board has increased funding for AOD Treatment Beds by \$4.7 million, while receiving less funding. The Board has been able to absorb the increased expenses by utilizing cash reserve dollars; however, reserve dollars will be nearly depleted by the end of CY2017.
 - Additionally, County Executive Budish recently stated that the County may be facing a revenue cut from the state that will negatively impact County departments such as the ADAMHS Board. Mr. Denihan noted that this points out the importance of our County having a dedicated Mental Health and Addiction Services Levy.

- Mr. Denihan distributed the results of a study conducted by the Northern Ohio Data & Information Service of the Maxine Goodman Levin College of Urban Affairs, Cleveland State University, regarding the Opioid Deaths and the Availability of Sober House Beds in Cleveland for 2016 and the First Quarter of 2017. (Document attached to original minutes.)
- Mr. Denihan was disappointed to announce that University Hospital's PAL (Public Academic Liaison) Program recently lost \$1.2 million of federal revenue. This critical program helps to prepare psychiatrists to serve our clients and agencies. Ms. Valeria Harper is up-to-date on the subject and will keep the Board apprised of future developments.
- On a positive note, Hitchcock Center for Women (HCFW) is heading in the right direction. Payments are being received on the loan provided. The agency is filling their beds and working toward full capacity. However, Mr. Denihan and Ms. Harper registered concern about leadership position vacancies and are encouraging HCFW to fill them by the end of summer.
- Mr. Denihan and Ms. Harper attended a meeting to discuss the community's concern about the West Side Crisis Center, on West 83rd, serving as a diversion/drop-off site on West 83 Street; this is a continuing discussion.
- On 7/27/17, Mr. Denihan, Ms. Harper and Nominating Committee Chair, Dr. Blue, will meet with the County official who responsible for coordinating the County appointment process.
- **SHARES Update** – Steady progress is being made on SHARES software. All large providers were trained during May and June. The Board will adjust SHARES rates to mirror Behavioral Health Redesign rates once finalized. The final round of training will begin soon for all other providers. Mr. Denihan recognized Dr. Garrity on his work over the years on this project.
- **Transition Update** - Mr. Denihan and Ms. Harper have been spending a tremendous amount of time together preparing for the CEO transition. As a result, Mr. Denihan discovered that many of Ms. Harper's values and his were the same; he expressed his confidence in the Board's decision to hire Valeria Harper as the next Chief Executive Officer.
- **Dashboard Update** – The Dashboard distributed reflects data from the 1st quarter of 2017 for Board member's information and review and is attached to the original minutes.
- Mr. Denihan noted that he routinely brags to other ADAMHS Board Executives about his Board members—that they ask thoughtful questions and have excellent attendance records. He thanked all Board members for making his tenure at the Board a wonderful experience. CEO Denihan also thanked and commended Board staff for their hard work and support over the years and asked all Board staff present to stand to be recognized.

9. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Kirkland expressed her appreciation and thanks to Mr. Denihan for his passion and dedication to the Board's mission and their leadership journey together.

10. AUDIENCE INPUT

Ms. Lu stated that she attended this meeting for this important moment to express her thanks to Mr. Denihan for his compassion, knowledge and advocacy.

Ms. Bynum, who worked previously as a Board transitional employee from Magnolia House, stated that she knows and wants to share that Mr. Denihan has a big heart and really cares about clients.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Submitted by: Carol Krajewski, Executive Specialist

Approved by:

Eugenia Kirkland, LSW, MSSA, CDCA, Board Chair, ADAMHS Board of Cuyahoga County