

**ALCOHOL, DRUG ADDICTION AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES BOARD OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY  
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 24, 2016**

**ADAMHS BOARD OF DIRECTORS PRESENT:**

Eugenia Cash, LSW, MSSA, CDCA, Chair	Cassi Handler
David E. Biegel, Ph.D.	Pythias D. Jones, M.D.
Reginald C. Blue, Ph.D.	Charlotte Rerko, MSN, RN, BC
Elsie Caraballo	J. Richard Romaniuk, Ph.D.
J. Robert Fowler, Ph.D.	Mary R. Warr, M.Ed.
Rev. Benjamin F. Gohlstin, Sr.	

**ABSENT:** Steve Killpack, MS, Eileen Saffran, LISW-S, Harvey A. Snider, Esq., Ericka L. Thoms, Anngela Williams

**ADAMHS BOARD STAFF PRESENT:** William M. Denihan, CEO, Katie Boland, Frank Brickner, Tami Fischer, Cheryl Fratalone, John Garrity, Ph.D., Valeria Harper, Myra Henderson, Carol Krajewski, Scott Osiecki, Ralph Piatak, Starlette Sizemore-Rice, Thomas Williams

**RECOGNITION OF CLIENT ARTWORK DISPLAY – FEBRUARY 2016**

Katie Boland, External Affairs Officer, introduced Ivan Aquino, artist of the month for February. She noted that Ivan currently receives services at Recovery Resources. He began painting and drawing as early as four years old. The artwork display is a sampling of the art pieces that Ivan has created over this lifetime. His art has been featured in various art shows in the community and some of his work has been even been featured at The Cleveland Museum of Art. Ivan enthusiastically spoke about the importance of art in his life, his accomplishments and welcomed all to consider purchasing art from local artists. A certificate of appreciation was presented to him by Board Chair, Eugenia Cash, and CEO William M. Denihan.

**1. CALL TO ORDER / AUDIENCE INPUT**

Board Chair, Eugenia Cash, called the General Meeting to order at 4:10 p.m. and opened the floor for audience input on agenda items. Audience member, Rev. Pinkney, introduced herself and addressed the topic of Representative Payee Services; she expressed concerns of clients regarding their funds and her concern about how clients of mental health services are treated. She stated that she was unable to stay for the meeting but expressed an interest in learning more about the programs referenced in the Service Provider Contracts as well as any alternatives for Early Childhood Mental Health services.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes from the January 27, 2016 General Meeting were approved as submitted.

**3. CHAIR'S REPORT**

Ms. Cash reminded Board members of the upcoming Annual Board Training & Committee of the Whole Meeting scheduled for Saturday, 2/27/16 at the ADAMHS Board Offices starting at 9:30 a.m.

**4. PLANNING & OVERSIGHT (P&O) COMMITTEE REPORT**

Robert Fowler, Ph.D., P&O Committee Chair, reported on the 02/17/16 Joint Planning & Finance Committee meeting held as a result of the cancelation of the 2/10/16 P&O Committee meeting due to weather conditions. Topics reviewed included:

- Approval of P&O Committee minutes from 01/13/16
  - SHARES Update provided by John Garrity, Ph.D., Chief Quality Officer
  - Mental Health Response Advisory Committee Annual Report – presented by Dr. John Garrity, Rick Oliver, PCC-S, Director of Crisis Services, FrontLine Service, Captain James Purcell, Cleveland Division of Police & Carole Ballard, CIT Program Officer
  - Recovery Oriented System of Care Report – was presented by Scott Osiecki, Chief of External Affairs
- ACTION ITEMS Recommended:**
- Mental Health Co-Responder Team Pilot Project
  - Community Action Against Addiction – Suboxone Initiative

**POLICY REVIEW – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading & Official Vote**

• **WAITING LIST MANAGEMENT POLICY**

Purpose: To ensure that adults and adolescent clients have the ability to access services within a specific and reasonable period of time and to assist providers in maintaining appropriate referral and waiting list procedures.

There being no further discussion regarding this policy, the Chair called for the vote.

**Motion to approve the WAITING LIST MANAGEMENT POLICY, Effective 2/25/16.** .MOTION: D. Biegel / SECOND: B. Gohlstin AYES: D. Biegel, R. Blue, E. Caraballo, R. Fowler, B. Gohlstin, C. Handler, P. Jones, C. Rerko, R. Romaniuk, M. Warr / NAYS: None / ABSTAIN: None / **Motion passed.**

**5. FINANCE & OPERATIONS REPORT**

Dr. David E. Biegel, Finance & Operations Committee Chair, reported on the financial portion of the February 17<sup>th</sup> Joint Planning & Finance Committee meeting. After one month of activity, the Board spent \$435,960.00 against its \$5.5 million Administrative budget and is slightly under budget in all categories. The projected budget expense for this time period is 8.33%; we have spent 7.93%.

Committee members learned that the Board received revenue, \$13.2 million, of its 1<sup>st</sup> quarter funds from the Health & Human Service Levy early on in January from the County. Additionally, some 2015 expenses from providers will be incurred through March since providers have 90 days after their contract ends to get final invoices to the Board for services rendered to clients.

**CONSENT AGENDA - (Resolution No. 16-02-01 through Res. No. 16-02-03)**

• **RESOLUTION NO. 16-02-01**

**ACCEPTING THE REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER ON EXPENDITURES AND VOUCHERS PROCESSED FOR PAYMENT DURING JANUARY 2016**

• **RESOLUTION NO. 16-02-02**

**APPROVAL AND RATIFICATION OF SERVICE PROVIDER CONTRACTS:**

1. Representative Payee Services
  - Murtis Taylor Human Services System - \$ 37,500.00
2. Medication Assisted Treatment Suboxone Initiative
  - Community Action Against Addiction - \$36,200.00
3. Mental Health Crisis Response Team Pilot
  - FrontLine Service - \$260,000.00
4. Amendment to Resolution 15-11-05, Approval of CY2016 ADAMHS Board Operational Budget and CY2016 – 2017 Service Provider Contracts – AOD Treatment Services
  - Cuyahoga County Corrections Planning Board - \$68,104.00 Increase in 2016 and 2017
5. Amendment to Resolution 15-11-05, Approval of CY2016 ADAMHS Board Operational Budget and CY2016 – 2017 Service Provider Contracts – Residential Treatment Services
  - New Directions - \$ 500,000.00 Increase for 2017
6. Amendment to Resolution 15-11-05, Approval of CY2016 ADAMHS Board Operational Budget and CY2016 – 2017 Service Provider Contracts – AOD Prevention/Integrated Health Care and Wellness
  - The Centers for Families and Children - \$28,000.00 Decrease
7. Amendment to Resolution 15-01-03, Approval of Early Childhood Mental Health Contract Recommendations
  - Achievement Centers for Children - \$25,000.00 Increase

• **RESOLUTION NO. 16-02-03**

**APPROVAL OF OPERATIONAL CONTRACTS**

1. Sponsorship of EDEN's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary: April 15, 2016
2. Sponsorship of OACBHA Recovery Conference: June 1 & 2, 2016

**Board member input:**

- Regarding Representative Payee Services, Ms. Warr asked if there would be an opportunity to address the concerns of clients expressed by Rev. Pinkney. Mr. Denihan noted that the goal of improving the delivery of services to clients will be at the forefront of the RFI process for Representative Payee Services and can be further reviewed at a future Planning & Oversight Committee meeting.

**Motion to approve the Consent Agenda (Resolution Nos. 16-02-01 through 16-02-03.** MOTION: B. Gohlstin / SECOND: R. Blue / AYES: D. Biegel, R. Blue, E. Caraballo, R. Fowler, B. Gohlstin, C. Handler, P. Jones, C. Rerko, R. Romaniuk, M. Warr / NAYS: None / ABSTAIN: None **Motion passed.**

**6. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT**

Mr. Denihan highlighted items featured in the CEO Headliners dated February 24, 2016 attached to the minutes.

- **Mental Health Response Advisory Committee** - An element of the MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) was the committee's first charge to produce an annual report reflecting recommendations to the City of Cleveland and the Board. The report was completed and distributed on January 29, 2016. (The document is attached to the original minutes stored in the Executive Unit and is posted on the ADAMHS Board's Web site, [www.adamhsc.org](http://www.adamhsc.org) .

On January 22<sup>nd</sup>, the Mental Health Response Advisory Committee (MHRAC) held a day-long work retreat. The Ohio Room was filled with individuals from various committees. Mr. Denihan reported that during March, the MHRAC will conduct three separate community forums to gather a needs assessment and to allow for a free flow of information from citizens. Board members were encouraged to take advantage of attending one of these forums.

- **SHARES Program** – CEO Denihan noted that the SHARES program is going extremely well for the four service providers participating in the pilot; the system is meeting expectations.
- **Board Retreat** – The Board of Directors' Annual Training Retreat is scheduled for Saturday, February 27<sup>th</sup> starting at 9:30 a.m. Cheri L. Walter, C.E.O. of the Ohio Association of County Behavioral Healthcare Authorities and Liz Henrich, Associate C.E.O./OACBHA, are scheduled to present.
- **President of County Council**, Dan Brady, will speak at the ADAMHS Board on Friday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 a.m. on a variety of behavioral health and community topics. All are invited to attend.
- **Health & Human Services Levy - Issue 23** (Renewal Levy: Not a Tax Increase)  
The ADAMHS Board is actively engaged in supporting Issue 23 a renewal of the County's Health & Human Services Levy on the March 15, 2016 ballot. Volunteers are needed for our phone banks; donations to support the levy effort should be made out to County Action Committee.
- **Board Appointments** – Nominating Committee Chair, Dr. Reginald C. Blue, and Mr. Denihan will be working with the County Executive's office regarding county appointment seats.

**7. OLD/NEW BUSINESS**

- Dr. Romaniuk shared his personal research and evolution of thought regarding the effectiveness of Vivitrol.

**8. AUDIENCE INPUT - None**

*There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.*

**Submitted by: Carol Krajewski, Executive Specialist**

**Approved by:**

***Eugenia Cash, LSW, MSSA, CDCA, Board Chair, ADAMHS Board of Cuyahoga County***