

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

**GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 30, 2016**

ADAMHS BOARD OF DIRECTORS PRESENT:

Eugenia Cash, LSW, MSSA, CDCA, Chair	Charlotte Rerko, MSN, RN, BC
David E. Biegel, Ph.D.	J. Richard Romaniuk, Ph.D.
Elsie Caraballo	Harvey A. Snider, Esq.
J. Robert Fowler, Ph.D.	Mary R. Warr, M.Ed.
Cassi Handler	Anngela Williams
Steve Killpack, MS	

ABSENT: Reginald C. Blue, Ph.D., Rev. Benjamin F. Gohlstein, Sr., Pythias D. Jones, M.D., Ericka L. Thoms

ADAMHS BOARD STAFF PRESENT: William M. Denihan, C.E.O., Katie Boland, Frank Brickner, Tami Fischer, Cheryl Fratalone, John Garrity, Valeria Harper, Myra Henderson, Carol Krajewski, Dave Lambert, Ralph Piatak, Starlette Sizemore-Rice, Diane Taylor, Linda Torbert, Tom Williams

1. CALL TO ORDER / AUDIENCE INPUT

Eugenia Cash, Board Chair, called the General Meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. and opened the floor for audience input on agenda items; none received.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The October 26, 2016 General Meeting minutes were approved as submitted.

3. RECOGNITION OF CLIENT ARTWORK DISPLAY – NOVEMBER 2016

Katie Boland, External Affairs Officer, shared the mission of the ADAMHS Board's Artwork Display Program and noted that this month's art display features artwork from New Directions' residential and outpatient clients. The artwork submitted reflects diversity, creativity, and exemplifies recovery, mental health, or an expression of a client's mindset. A certificate of participation was awarded to New Directions for the artwork that will be displayed through December.

4. CHAIR'S REPORT

Ms. Cash reported that she and Mr. Denihan served as panelists on a Heroin Community Discussion at the Cleveland Clinic Lyndhurst site where the dialogue focused on the dangers of heroin, fentanyl and carfentanyl. The session was well attended with approximately 100 people participating.

5. FAITH-BASED OUTREACH COMMITTEE REPORT

Mary Warr, Faith-based Outreach Committee Chair, reported on the 11/02/16 meeting and reported that the Faith-based Initiative pilot had completed its first year. The committee was responsible for oversight of the pilot consisting of six agencies/programs funded for the initial 1-year pilot period. The committee recommends going forward with five programs at the same funding level instead of six, given the decision of one agency to opt out for next year.

The two new non-Board members appointed to the committee were present at the 11/02/16 meeting and are excited to serve.

Committee members encourage consideration of allocating unused funds and will address this at the next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, 01/04/16 at 2:30 p.m. All Board members were invited to attend future Faith-based Outreach Committee meetings in order to be able to share information and network with their own faith communities.

6. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE REPORT

Since a majority of Board members were present at the Committee of the Whole meeting where Operating Expenses, Vouchers, and Agreements were presented, Ms. Cash asked if there were any additional questions regarding the Consent Agenda components. Given there were no questions, the vote was taken.

CONSENT AGENDA (Resolution Nos. 16-11-01 through 16-11-05)

- **RESOLUTION NO. 16-11-01 – ACCEPTING THE REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER ON EXPENDITURES AND VOUCHERS PROCESSED FOR PAYMENT DURING OCTOBER 2016**
 - **RESOLUTION NO. 16-11-02 - APPROVAL AND RATIFICATION OF INTERAGENCY AGREEMENTS**
 1. Cuyahoga County Office of Early Childhood/Invest in Children (IIC) - Early Childhood Mental Health Funding
 2. *Ohio Department of Mental Health & Addiction Services (OhioMHAS) - CABHI (Cooperative Agreements to Benefit Homeless Individuals) Grant - \$16,248.00 Increase
 - **RESOLUTION NO. 16-11-03 - APPROVAL AND RATIFICATION OF SERVICE PROVIDER CONTRACTS**
 1. Cuyahoga County Office of Early Childhood/Invest in Children – Early Childhood Mental Health Providers
 - Achievement Centers for Families - \$437,590.00
 - Applewood Centers - \$110,602.00
 - Beech Brook - \$160,000.00
 - Ohio Guidestone - \$225,000.00
 - Positive Education Program - \$334,290.00
 2. Transitional Age Community Treatment (TACT) Team
 - Ohio Guidestone - \$100,000.00
 3. Eligibility Agreements with Licensed Adult Care Facilities
 4. Norma Herr Women’s Shelter
 - Emerald Development and Economic Network - \$100,000.00 (CY 2017)
 5. Faith-based Outreach Programs for CY2017
 - Inner Healing Ministries - \$45,000.00
 - Life Recovery Ministries - \$54,000.00
 - NAMI Greater Cleveland - \$19,000.00
 - Ohio Guidestone - \$50,000.00
 - Trinity Outreach Ministries: Another Chance of Ohio - \$54,000.00
- Amendments:**
1. Amendment to Res. 15-11-05, Approval of CY2016 ADAMHS Board Operational Budget and CY2016 – 2017 Service Provider Contracts - Northridge Commons
 - Emerald Development and Economic Network - \$100,000.00 Increase (CY 2017)
 2. Amendment to Resolution 15-11-05, Approval of CY2016 ADAMHS Board Operational Budget and CY2016 – 2017 Service Provider Contracts – Project DAWN
 - MetroHealth Hospital - \$50,000.00 Increase (CY 2017)
 3. Amendment of Res. 16-07-03, CABHI (Cooperative Agreements to Benefit Homeless Individuals) Grant
 - FrontLine Service – \$16,248.00 Increase
- **RESOLUTION NO. 16-11-04 - APPROVAL AND RATIFICATION OF OPERATIONAL AGREEMENTS**
 1. Heroin/Fentanyl Prevention Awareness Campaign
 - VoiceItRadio – \$4,000.00
 - **RESOLUTION NO. 16-11-05 - APPROVAL AND RATIFICATION OF PERSONAL SERVICE AGREEMENTS**
 1. Attorneys and Nurses Contracted Services (hourly rates listed on APS)
 2. Chief Clinical Officer Consultant – Farid Sabet-Sharghi, M.D. - \$135,200.00
 3. State and County Reentry & Criminal Justice Planning - Michael J. Stringer - \$18,000.00

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda (Resolution Nos. 16-11-01 through 16-11-05).

MOTION: H. Snider / SECOND: C. Handler / AYES: D. Biegel, E. Caraballo, R. Fowler, C. Handler, S. Killpack, C. Rerko, R. Romaniuk, H. Snider, M. Warr, A. Williams / NAYS: None / **Motion passed.**

7. CY2017 ADAMHS BOARD OPERATIONAL BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS

- **RESOLUTION NO. 16-11-06**
APPROVAL OF CALENDAR YEAR 2017 OPERATIONAL BUDGET

Motion to approve Resolution No. 16-11-06. MOTION: H. Snider / SECOND: A. Williams / AYES: D. Biegel, E. Caraballo, R. Fowler, C. Handler, S. Killpack, C. Rerko, R. Romaniuk, H. Snider, M. Warr, A. Williams / NAYS: None / **Motion passed.**

8. CY2017 BOARD SERVICE PROVIDER RECOMMENDATIONS

- **RESOLUTION NO. 16-11-07**
APPROVAL OF CALENDAR YEAR 2017 SERVICE PROVIDER CONTRACTS

Motion to approve Resolution No. 16-11-07. MOTION: C. Handler / SECOND: H. Snider / AYES: D. Biegel, E. Caraballo, R. Fowler, C. Handler, S. Killpack, C. Rerko, R. Romaniuk, H. Snider, M. Warr, A. Williams / NAYS: None / **Motion passed.**

9. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT - CEO Denihan highlighted issues from the CEO Headliners dated 11/30/16.

- **NEW ADAMHS BOARD PERSONNEL** - Mr. Denihan shared an update regarding new personnel hired, etc.
 - **Receptionist position** has been filled. Ms. Jenita Simmons officially started on 11/21/16. She is an active Mental Health advocate, and came to us through Magnolia Clubhouse in August 2015. Prior to her involvement with Magnolia Clubhouse, Jenita worked as Office Manager for over 20 years with David N. Myers University.
 - The **Adult Behavioral Health Specialist I** position has been filled by Derrick Kirklen who started at the Board on 11/28/16. Derrick was previously a Dual Diagnosis Counselor at Signature Health and prior to that position, worked as a Case Manager at Murtis Taylor Human Services System.
 - An offer was made to an applicant for the **Children’s Behavioral Health Specialist** position last week. We are hopeful that this new employee will start in mid-December.
 - Tami Fischer, Director of Human Resources, and I will be interviewing the finalists for the **part-time Clients Rights Officer** position soon. We anticipate a new employee starting in this position in January.

• **HEROIN TSUNAMI**

Mr. Denihan reported on the disturbing increase in the numbers of heroin and fentanyl related deaths in Cuyahoga County and relayed information from a study, performed by the Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation compiled from U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. that identifies Ohio as leading the nation in opioid overdose deaths. Consequently, Board staff recommends passage of a resolution declaring this a health emergency.

- **RESOLUTION NO. 16-11-08**
DECLARATION OF A PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY

Motion to approve Resolution No. 16-11-08. MOTION: C. Handler / SECOND: H. Snider

Based upon the suggestion of Dr. Biegel, two revisions for Res. No. 16-11-08 were accepted by the full Board.

- 1) The word “public” should be added to the resolution title.
- 2) Additional wording for the Board members’ request is underscored. “Requests the state and federal government to declare a state of public health emergency with the appropriation of additional fiscal resources to address the deadly opioid disease.”

AYES: D. Biegel, E. Caraballo, E. Cash, R. Fowler, C. Handler, S. Killpack, C. Rerko, R. Romaniuk, H. Snider, M. Warr, A. Williams / NAYS: None / **The motion to approve the resolution, as amended, passed unanimously.**

- **COUNTY EXECUTIVE PLAN (HEROIN)**

- **RESOLUTION NO. 16-11-09
AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A PARTNERSHIP WITH CUYAHOGA COUNTY TO TACKLE THE HEROIN/FENTANYL EPIDEMIC**

Regarding the County Executive's proposal to tackle the heroin/fentanyl epidemic, Mr. Denihan explained that County Executive, Armond Budish, is taking steps to raise funding from community partners to address the heroin/fentanyl tsunami. The ADAMHS Board has been asked to contribute matching funds. Mr. Denihan has been able to identify \$982,000.00 of funding from unspent CY2016 budget amounts as well as one-time state funding to comprise the \$982,000.00 contribution available to potentially increase heroin/fentanyl treatment services.

The proposal presented to Mr. Budish by Mr. Denihan outlines the potential expansion of Residential Treatment and Recovery Services and makes the assumption that the County Executive will also be able to identify matching funds of \$982,000. If the proposal moves forward, the treatment and recovery services will be enhanced as follows:

- Residential Treatment will be expanded by 16 beds;
- Medication Assisted Treatment and Sober Housing will be expanded by 57 beds;
- Detoxification (initiate Ambulatory Detoxification and enhance current Detoxification beds)

Board Member Input:

- Focus is needed on prevention activities especially among young people.
- Important to formulate a plan with metrics to enable measurement of success.
- Encouraged consideration of expanding a needle exchange program.
- Advocated to utilize peers to connect with people with substance disorders regarding prevention/treatment options.

Mr. Denihan continues to have on-going discussions with the County Executive's office on this initiative.

Motion to approve Resolution No. 16-11-09. MOTION: C. Handler / SECOND: H. Snider / AYES: D. Biegel, E. Caraballo, E. Cash, R. Fowler, C. Handler, S. Killpack, C. Rerko, R. Romaniuk, H. Snider, M. Warr, A. Williams / NAYS: None

Motion passed unanimously.

- **Greater Cleveland Congregations Proposal**

Mr. Denihan and Ms. Harper recently attended a meeting of the Greater Cleveland Congregations (GCC). GCC announced its support of an east and west side drop-off center for suburban police departments to help individuals living with mental illness and/or addiction. Mr. Denihan suggested consideration of using the Westside Crisis Center for this concept.

10. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

- The Strategic Planning 2-Day Summit to develop a 3-year plan is scheduled for Thursday, December 8, and Friday, December 9th at the Cleveland Airport Marriott.
- The Board Retreat date is yet to be determined.

11. AUDIENCE INPUT - None

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Submitted by: Carol Krajewski, Executive Specialist

Approved by:

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