

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

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 28, 2015

ADAMHS BOARD OF DIRECTORS PRESENT:

Eugenia Cash, LSW, MSSA, CDCA, Chair	Steve Killpack, MS
David E. Biegel, Ph.D.	Charlotte Rerko, MSN, RN, BC
Reginald C. Blue, Ph.D.	J. Richard Romaniuk, Ph.D.
Elsie Caraballo	Eileen Saffran, LISW-S
J. Robert Fowler, Ph.D.	Ericka L. Thoms
Rev. Benjamin F. Gohlstin, Sr	Mary R. Warr, M.Ed.
Cassi Handler	Anngela Williams

ABSENT: Pythias D. Jones, M.D., Harvey A. Snider, Esq.

ADAMHS BOARD STAFF PRESENT: William M. Denihan, CEO, Frank Brickner, Tami Fischer, Cheryl Fratalone, John Garrity, Ph.D., Valeria Harper, Carol Krajewski, Scott Osiecki, Ralph Piatak, Starlette Sizemore-Rice, Linda Torbert

1. CALL TO ORDER/AUDIENCE INPUT

Board Chair, Eugenia Cash, called the General Meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. and opened the floor for audience input on agenda items; none received. CEO William M. Denihan introduced Russ Johnson, the former Board Chair of the Alcohol & Drug Addiction Services Board of Cuyahoga County, and noted that Mr. Johnson is also an instructor for the Board's Training Institute. Peer Support workers involved with the Urban Garden Project that grows organically grown vegetables and herbs, located near the Hitchcock Center for Women, presented samples of their harvest to share with ADAMHS Board meeting participants.

2. OATH OF OFFICE

Barbara R. Marburger, Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, from the Office of Timothy G. McGinty, administered the Oath of Office to county appointments:

- **DAVID E. BIEGEL, PHD**
- **J. ROBERT FOWLER, PHD**
- **J. RICHARD ROMANIUK, PHD**
- **MARY R. WARR, M.ED.**

Mr. Denihan acknowledged the fact that the individuals listed above served faithfully as Board members for several years without officially being re-appointed by the former County administration. Mr. Denihan is very appreciative of County Executive Budish's decision to officially appoint these individuals to the ADAMHS Board.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the September 30, 2015 General Meeting were approved as submitted.

4. CHAIR'S REPORT

Ms. Cash waived her report/remarks and noted that she would reserve her comments for future discussions.

5. RESOLUTION NO. 15-10-01

APPROVAL OF ADAMHS BOARD OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY CY2016 PRIORITIES

Mr. Denihan and Mr. Osiecki introduced the CY2016 Priorities and summarized the process used to identify the services and/or programs organized into two categories – System Priorities & Mental Health & Addiction Services Priorities.

Motion to approve Resolution No. 15-10-01. MOTION: E. Caraballo / SECOND: S. Killpack / AYES: D. Biegel, R. Blue, E. Caraballo, R. Fowler, B. Gohlstin, C. Handler, S. Killpack, C. Rerko, R. Romaniuk, E. Saffran, E. Thoms, M. Warr, A. Williams / NAYS: None / ABSTAIN: None / **Motion passed.**

6. FAITH-BASED OUTREACH COMMITTEE REPORT

Mary Warr, Committee Chair, summarized the process of the Faith-based Outreach Committee and Subcommittee to arrive at the point of issuing a Request for Information to engage with the Board's contract providers and/or faith-based organizations to deliver spiritual/faith-based direct service needs to clients. Based upon results from the RFI Review Team that evaluated the 16 responses to the RFI, six entities are being recommended for this pilot project.

1. Hispanic UMADAOP – Provider expanding behavioral health services
2. Inner Healing Ministries – Faith-based new program – prevention services
3. Life Recovery Ministries – Faith-based new program – prevention services
4. NAMI Greater Cleveland – Provider expanding prevention services
5. OhioGuidestone – Provider/Faith-based – expanding behavior health services
6. Trinity Outreach Ministries – Faith-based new program – prevention services

The Faith-based Outreach Committee's recommendation for approval was also reviewed by both the Planning & Oversight and the Finance & Operations Committees. Ms. Warr acknowledged the vision and enthusiasm of Rev. Gohlstin to influence the Board regarding the importance of spirituality in the recovery process. Ms. Warr also extended special thanks to Board staff, Valeria Harper and Starlette Sizemore-Rice with the overall RFI process. Ms. Warr noted that she looks forward to a positive relationship serving clients and making a difference in their lives. She noted further that the committee is committed to the performance measures established and, due to the newness of the project, will not be afraid to make changes. Rev. Gohlstin also wished to add his thanks to Rev. Karell McDaniel, Subcommittee Chair, and Faith-based Subcommittee members. The full Board unanimously accepted the Faith-based Outreach Committee Report.

7. PLANNING & OVERSIGHT (P&O) COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee Vice Chair, Steve Killpack, reported on the P&O Committee meeting held on 10/14/15. Four P&O agenda items requiring action were considered and recommended to the Finance & Operations Committee for approval.

Mr. Killpack briefly summarized the programs/services recommended:

- CY2016 Recommended Priorities – were reviewed and approved.
- Faith-based Outreach Committee's RFI Recommendations – were heartily favored.
- Young Adult Transition Pilot: Life Exchange Center – The committee was very pleased with the projected benefits of the program not only for its participants but also for the 6 peer support specialists who will receive employment opportunities as well as a productive use of the former Bridgeway property.
- Vivitrol Medication Assisted Treatment Pilot – The Corrections Planning Board currently has a pilot program at the Salvation Army providing Vivitrol MAT pilot. The Planning Board has offered to contribute \$100,000.00 to expand the program and has asked for a matching amount from the ADAMHS Board. The P&O Committee recommended this one-time funding opportunity. It was noted that Salvation Army is pursuing grant funding to continue this program.
- Review of the CY2016 RFI Process was tabled until November due to the timing of the County's budget process.
- The P&O Committee received a comprehensive update on the Performance Improvement "Watch" Monitoring Plan for agencies on watch for either programmatic or financial issues.
 - Hispanic UMADAOP – is being removed from the watch in both performance and finance areas.
 - Hitchcock Center for Women – has shown great improvement on the program area but still is on watch for financial issues.
 - Murtis Taylor Human Services Center – remains on program watch related to monitoring of medication administration.
 - Consumer Protection Association – Ms. Harper had a meaningful meeting with the Social Security Administration that hopefully will lead to improvements with the complex issues involved.
 - East Cleveland Neighborhood Center – still on watch; a meeting was held since the P&O Committee meeting.
- SHARES Update – information was provided to the committee that will be updated by Mr. Denihan in his report.

The full Board unanimously accepted the Planning & Oversight Committee Report.

8. FINANCE REPORTS

Dr. David Biegel, Committee Chair, reported on the Finance & Operations Committee meeting held on 10/21/15.

CONSENT AGENDA (Resolution No. 15-10-02 through 15-10-04)

- **RESOLUTION NO. 15-10-02**
APPROVAL OF FAITH-BASED INITIATIVES
 1. Hispanic UMADAOP - \$28,000.00
 2. Inner Healing Ministries - \$45,000.00
 3. Life Recovery Ministries - \$54,000.00
 4. NAMI Greater Cleveland - \$19,000.00
 5. OhioGuidestone - \$50,000.00
 6. Trinity Outreach Ministries - \$54,000.00

- **RESOLUTION NO. 15-10-03**
ACCEPTING THE REPORT OF THE C.E.O. ON EXPENDITURES AND VOUCHERS PROCESSED FOR PAYMENT DURING SEPTEMBER 2015

- **RESOLUTION NO. 15-10-04**
APPROVAL AND RATIFICATION OF SERVICE PROVIDER CONTRACTS
 1. Transitional Youth Housing Pilot – Peer Support Services
 - Life Exchange Center - \$156,902.00
 2. Vivitrol Medication Assisted Treatment Pilot
 - Salvation Army Harbor Light Complex - \$100,000 One-Time Funding

Amendments:

1. Amendment to Res. 14-11-08, Approval of CY2015 Service Provider Core, Mid-Biennium & One-Time Funding Contracts
 - Cleveland Treatment Center - \$15,000.00 Increase
2. Amendment to Resolution 14-11-08, Approval of CY2015 Service Provider Core, Mid-Biennium and One-Time Funding Contracts – Representative Payee Services
 - Murtis Taylor Human Services System - \$29,400.00 Increase
3. Amendment to Res.14-11-08, Approval of CY2015 Service Provider Core, Mid-Biennium & One-Time Funding Contracts
 - Community Assessment & Treatment Services - \$50,000.00 Increase
 - Hitchcock Center for Women - \$100,000.00 Increase

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda (Resolution Nos. 15-10-02 through 15-10-04. MOTION: B. Gohlstin / SECOND: R. Blue / AYES: R. Blue, E. Caraballo, R. Fowler, B. Gohlstin, C. Handler, S. Killpack, C. Rerko, R. Romaniuk, E. Saffran, E. Thoms, M. Warr, A. Williams / NAYS: None / ABSTAIN: D. Biegel / **Motion passed.**

9. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

Mr. Denihan highlighted items featured in the attached CEO Headliners dated October 28, 2015.

- **SHARES Update:** The new SHARES go-live date is 11/02/15. A pilot program will be tested from January 2016 through March 2016 that will include four agencies: Recovery Resources, Stella Marris, Catholic Charities and North Coast Community Care Network. All other agencies will begin on April 1, 2016. A position is being created for a Council of Government (COG) employee who will be based in our County. The cost of the full-time position will be shared--the COG will pay for 2/3's of the cost with the ADAMHS Board paying 1/3.

- **Request for Information (RFI) Process:** Mr. Denihan announced that Board members will receive a CY2016 Funding Recommendations binder as a result of the recent RFI process. The Administrative Budget will also be included. Board

members will have approximately two weeks to review the information. A vote on the CY2016 Budget is planned for the General Meeting to be held on 11/18/15.

- **County Budget Status:**

Mr. Denihan summarized the County Administration's plan to cut our base allocation by \$6,718,183.00. Two weeks prior, County Executive Armond Budish contacted Mr. Denihan to set up a meeting that included Board members, Harvey Snider and Rev. Gohlstin. After preliminary discussions around the impact of projected reductions, Mr. Budish and Mr. Thomas Pristow, Director of DCFS, presented a proposal that would help close the gap of the anticipated budget cut. The ADAMHS Board was asked to consider expanding community services for dependent children who are not abused or neglected but who require behavioral health services and are currently in foster care and in custody of Cuyahoga County's Department of Children and Family Services. The thinking is that residential costs saved would be passed on to the ADAMHS Board.

A brief description of the concept can be found on the 1st page of the October 28th CEO Headliners. Mr. Denihan noted that the ADAMHS Board was given extra time to consider this possibility and the date of the Board's budget presentation was re-scheduled to 11/05/15 at 9:00 a.m. Mr. Denihan stated that efforts will be undertaken by the Board to do its due diligence, to review and evaluate the proposal. He noted that he wishes to be a collaborative partner with this issue and believes in returning children home with the right conditions; however, the Board needs to carefully evaluate the various components and if we would need to absorb any other ancillary wraparound services that are not covered by Medicaid. Board members registered various concerns. The Board Chair advocated for gathering additional information and keeping Board members apprised. Mr. Denihan concurred and noted that he was fortunate to have Board members at the meeting to confirm that this is a Board decision.

- **Marijuana Campaign**

Mr. Denihan encouraged all to vote NO on Issue 3 and YES on Issue 2.

- **CPD/CIT**

A meeting was held with the official Consent Decree Monitor, PARC (Police Assessment Resource Center) this week; efforts are continuing to understand our roles in terms of working with one another.

- **CONSUMER PROTECTION ASSOCIATION STATUS**

Mr. Denihan expressed his appreciation to Murtis Taylor Human Services System for their help with representative payee needs during this crisis. Board staff will meet with CPA's Board soon and is hopeful that it will vote to permanently close its business. Mr. Denihan and Board staff are working with two different banks around the problem of clients cashing their checks and are recommending the use of a debit card.

10. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

- Barbara R. Marburger, Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, from the Office of Timothy G. McGinty, administered the Oath of Office to county appointment: **ELSIE CARABALLO**.

11. AUDIENCE INPUT

- Orlando Grant, Executive Director of the Life Exchange Center, thanked Board staff and Board members who attended the LEC's first annual event; members are extremely grateful for the continuous support of the Board.

1) On Thursday, December 17, 2015, LEC is having its first Night-Out with the Cleveland Cavaliers. Information about the LEC will be featured on the Jumbotron; LEC has been approved to sell 50-50 raffle tickets at this nationally televised event. Flyers were distributed to all in attendance.

2) A documentary about the Life Exchange Center will be premiered in February 2016 at the Shaker Heights Theatre.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Submitted by: Carol Krajewski, Executive Specialist

Approved by: _____
Eugenia Cash, LSW, MSSA, CDCA, Board Chair, ADAMHS Board of Cuyahoga County