

ALCOHOL, DRUG ADDICTION AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES BOARD OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES – MARCH 26, 2014

ADAMHS BOARD OF DIRECTORS PRESENT:

Harvey A. Snider, Esq.	Pythias D. Jones, M.D.,
David E. Biegel, Ph.D.	J. Richard Romaniuk, Ph.D.
Mary Boyle	Eileen Saffran, LISW-S
Eugenia Cash, LSW, MSSA, CDCA	Ericka L. Thoms
Richard A. Folbert	Mary R. Warr, M.Ed.
J. Robert Fowler, Ph.D.	Anngela Williams
Rev. Benjamin F. Gohlstin, Sr.	

ABSENT: Reginald C. Blue, Ph.D., Elsie Caraballo, Steve Killpack, MS, Charlotte Rerko, MSN, RN, BC, William J. Tobin

ADAMHS BOARD STAFF PRESENT: Frank Brickner, Chief Financial Officer, Cheryl Fratalone, June Hudson, Valeria Harper, Carol Krajewski, Scott Osiecki, Ralph Piatak

1. CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair, Harvey A. Snider, Esq., called the General Meeting to order at 4:00 PM and opened the floor for audience input on agenda items; no input was generated.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from the February 19, 2014 Committee of the Whole Meeting as well as the February 26, 2014 General Meeting were approved as submitted.

3. CHAIR'S REPORT

Although Mr. Denihan was scheduled to testify in Columbus before the State Legislature earlier in the day, the hearing schedule was revised, his testimony was moved to early afternoon; therefore, his return to the Board has been delayed.

Mr. Snider thanked those Board members, providers and staff members who attended the NAMI Ohio Mental Health Appreciation Reception where he was honored to receive an award along with his late wife, Lois; it meant a lot to him that so many colleagues and providers were in attendance. He also acknowledged a congratulatory note received from OhioMHAS Director Tracy Plouck.

4. PLANNING & OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee Chair, Pythias D. Jones, M.D., reported on the meeting held on 03/19/14 at 3:00 p.m. and the various topics covered. All issues reviewed and recommended are included in Resolution No. 14-03-02:

- **Detox: New Directions Funding Request** – This request will help to provide increased pharmacological management for adolescents for the remainder of this calendar year.
- **Forensic Training for Adult Care Facilities** - This pilot project will focus on providing specialized forensic training, technical assistance and support for the increasing number of persons with mental illness returning from correctional facilities or the criminal justice system.
- **Refugee Mental Health in Cleveland** – This effort will help to conduct a needs assessment of the providers' capacity to serve refugees and funds for translation services needed during the course of treatment.
- **Seasons of Hope Safe House & Outreach Program** – The CY2013 Seasons of Hope Annual Report was reviewed; the funding increase being recommended will allow the program's annual allocation to extend the hours of operation from 7 PM to 7:00 AM, 7 days/week based upon the increased numbers of women in need.
- **S.C.A.L.E. Annual Report** (Screening, Centralized Assessment and Levels of Care Assignment and Engagement)
- **Update on the Heroin Prevention Campaign**
- Topics for Future Meetings include:
 - APRIL 2014
 - Parmadale Update
 - Mental Health Services in the Detention Center
 - Cleveland Department of Health: Prevention - (April or May)

Dates - To Be Determined:

- Cuyahoga County Board of Developmental Disabilities
- CMHA Collaboration
- Medicaid Expansion
- Gambling

5. FINANCE & OPERATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee Vice Chair, Mary Warr, noted that the Finance & Operations Committee met on 4/19/14 immediately after the rescheduled Planning & Oversight Committee meeting. As a result, she felt that those members who serve on both committees had a fresh understanding of the programmatic issues involved with the service provider contracts. While reviewing the expenditures and vouchers, committee members noted their appreciation for all of the work being done on the heroin prevention campaign.

- **RESOLUTION NO. 14-03-01**
ACCEPTING THE REPORT OF THE C.E.O. ON EXPENDITURES AND VOUCHERS PROCESSED FOR PAYMENT DURING FEBRUARY 2014

Motion to approve Resolution 14-03-01. MOTION: E. Saffran / SECOND: B. Gohlstin / AYES: D. Biegel, M. Boyle, E. Cash, R. Folbert, R. Fowler, B. Gohlstin, P. Jones, R. Romaniuk, E. Saffran, E. Thoms, M. Warr, A. Williams
NAYS: None / ABSTAIN: None / Motion passed.

- **RESOLUTION NO. 14-03-02**
APPROVAL AND RATIFICATION OF SERVICE PROVIDER CONTRACTS:
 1. Refugee Mental Health in Cleveland – Asian Services in Action - \$35,000.00
 2. Pharmacological Management for Adolescents – New Directions - \$46,800.00
 3. Forensic Training for Adult Care Facilities – Lutheran Metropolitan Ministries - \$80,000.00
 4. Amendment to Resolution No. 14-01-08 (Approval of 2014 Base Funding Recommendations)
Additional Funds: Hitchcock Center for Women - \$20,000.00

Motion to approve Resolution 14-03-02. MOTION: B. Gohlstin / SECOND: D. Biegel

Discussion followed. Ms. Williams noted that a request had been made at the Planning & Oversight Committee for a copy of the budget from Lutheran Metropolitan Ministries (LMM). Dr. Jones noted that 50% of the LMM funding request was for the trainer which seemed reasonable since it was a comprehensive program with multiple sites for the specific curriculum needed. Ms. Boyle suggested distributing copies of the budget information during the meeting for Board members review.

Vote to table Resolution No. 14-03-02. MOTION: E. Thoms / SECOND: E. Cash / AYES: D. Biegel, M. Boyle, E. Cash, R. Folbert, R. Fowler, B. Gohlstin, P. Jones, R. Romaniuk, E. Saffran, E. Thoms, M. Warr, A. Williams / NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None / Motion passed.

- **RESOLUTION NO. 14-03-03**
APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION NO. 13-11-04: CY2014 FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Motion to approve Resolution No. 14-03-03. MOTION: M. Boyle / SECOND: E. Cash / AYES: D. Biegel, M. Boyle, E. Cash, R. Folbert, R. Fowler, B. Gohlstin, P. Jones, R. Romaniuk, E. Saffran, E. Thoms, M. Warr, A. Williams
NAYS: None / ABSTAIN: None / Motion passed.

- **RESOLUTION NO. 14-03-04**
MID-BIENNIUM REVIEW (MBR) & ISSUE OF LOCAL CONTROL

Ms. Warr noted that the fact sheet, produced by Board staff and included with the resolution, provided background regarding the 2014/2015 Mid-Biennium Review package introduced by Governor Kasich to cut taxes, streamline regulations and reform government. On 4/19/14, the Finance & Operations Committee held a lively discussion about this issue and decided to appoint Board member, Ericka Thoms, to work with Board staff to re-visit the proposed resolution in an effort to cover all of the components identified by committee members. (The fact sheet is attached to the original minutes stored in the Executive Unit.)

Ms. Thoms summarized that the state administration through OhioMHAS Director Tracy Plouck is proposing to make cuts that will reduce funding to Cuyahoga County by \$7.5 million from its 507 state allocation. Currently, the Ohio Revised Code, Section 340, assigns local ADAMHS Boards the right and responsibility to assess the county's addiction and mental health needs, evaluate programs funded with public dollars and set priorities for the allocation of those funds. The state administration wishes to take control by targeting the use of funds. The result of language changes would basically strip local control from ADAMHS Boards.

Ms. Thoms noted that when the Finance & Operations Committee reviewed the draft resolution, concerns were expressed about its clarity and specifics to our county. Consequently, she worked with Mr. Osiecki to formulate declarative statements for the resolution draft. Mr. Snider thanked Ms. Warr and Ms. Thoms for the extra time and hard work to accomplish this effort for consideration by the full Board.

Upon review of the revised draft, Ms. Warr noted her preference for the original wording in the 4th WHEREAS statement which listed the various stakeholders involved. She recommended that the full Board expand the resolution to list our stakeholders (*schools, courts, human service organizations, providers and the people we serve*) to identify our local needs. Ms. Thoms accepted the amendment as proposed.

Motion to approve Resolution 14-03-04 as amended. MOTION: E. Thoms / SECOND: R. Folbert / AYES: D. Biegel, M. Boyle, E. Cash, R. Folbert, R. Fowler, B. Gohlstin, P. Jones, R. Romaniuk, E. Saffran, E. Thoms, M. Warr, A. Williams
NAYS: None / ABSTAIN: None / **Motion passed.**

Motion to reconsider Resolution 14-03-02. MOTION: B. Gohlstin / SECOND: E. Thoms / AYES: D. Biegel, M. Boyle, E. Cash, R. Folbert, R. Fowler, B. Gohlstin, P. Jones, R. Romaniuk, E. Saffran, E. Thoms, M. Warr, A. Williams / NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None / **Motion passed.**

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Discussion ensued regarding administrative costs listed to administer the funding request of \$80,000.00. Mr. Brickner, Chief Financial Officer, stated that it may be incumbent for the Board to redefine the parameters for reporting administrative costs. For example, in the document provided, he noted that the supervision of direct staff is really not an administrative cost as reflected in their budget. In response to the Chair's inquiry, Mr. Brickner supported the funding request; however, he noted that he will work with LMM staff to clarify the budget information. Regarding Ms. Williams concern, Ms. Harper noted that agency monthly reports are required and can be provided to Ms. Williams based upon her request.

Motion to approve Resolution 14-03-02. MOTION: E. Saffran / SECOND: B. Gohlstin / AYES: D. Biegel, M. Boyle, E. Cash, R. Folbert, R. Fowler, B. Gohlstin, P. Jones, R. Romaniuk, E. Saffran, E. Thoms, M. Warr, A. Williams
NAYS: None / ABSTAIN: None / **Motion passed.**

6. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

On behalf of Mr. Denihan, Valeria Harper, Chief Operating Officer, referenced the CEO Headliners, dated March 26, 2014, distributed that will also be a portion of the minutes.

- Mr. Snider announced that the ADAMHS Board's 2014 Annual Meeting Brunch & Awards Presentation is scheduled for Monday, May 19, 2014, from 9:30 AM to 12:00 Noon at the Marriott Cleveland Airport, 4277 West 150th Street, Cleveland, OH 44135.

7. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

• BOARD OFFICER INTEREST

Ericka Thoms, Nominating Committee Chair, explained that letters of intent were sent to all Board members inviting them to consider the possibility of applying for a Board Officer position. All letters of intent are due to the Nominating Committee by April 30; they can be e-mailed directly to Ms. Thoms or Ms. Krajewski.

The Nominating Committee is scheduled to meet on Wednesday, 5/14/14, when committee members will consider the letters of intent received. Per the Board Bylaws, the proposed slate of officers will be presented at the May General Meeting. Nominations from Board members, who are not on the Nominating Committee, may also be presented at the May meeting. The election of officers is scheduled for the General Meeting on 6/25/14.

8. AUDIENCE INPUT

Mr. Mike Matoney, C.E.O. of New Directions, thanked Board staff for their assistance in developing the proposed project and Board members for their approval of the project that will benefit adolescents requiring specialized care for their addictions.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

Submitted by: Carol Krajewski, Executive Specialist

*Approved by: _____
Harvey A. Snider, Esq., Chair, ADAMHS Board of Cuyahoga County*