

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

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES – JUNE 25, 2014

ADAMHS BOARD OF DIRECTORS PRESENT:

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

ABSENT: Reginald C. Blue, Ph.D., Charlotte Rerko, MSN, RN, BC

ADAMHS BOARD STAFF PRESENT:

William M. Denihan, C.E.O., Frank Brickner, Tami Fischer, Cheryl Fratalone, John Garrity, Ph.D., Valeria Harper, Carol Krajewski, Ralph Piatak

1. CALL TO ORDER/AUDIENCE INPUT

Board Chair, Harvey A. Snider, Esq., called the General Meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. No audience input on agenda items was generated.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes from the General Meeting of May 28, 2014 were approved as submitted.

3. RECOGNITION OF CONSUMER ARTWORK DISPLAY – JULY 2014: JEWISH FAMILY SERVICE ASSOCIATION & PLAN OF NORTHEAST OHIO

Mr. Denihan highlighted the July artwork display created by participants in the Art Therapy Program at the Jewish Family Service Association's Ascentia Program & PLAN of Northeast Ohio. This year participants explored a Renaissance theme for the Art Show, focusing on the flourish of growth and change during that time period. Seventeen artists are featured in this exhibit. Ms. ZsuZsa Csepanyi, Art Therapist and Case Manager for the JFASA Ascentia Program, elaborated on the art exhibit entitled "Renaissance Reborn" featured at the Maltz Museum of Jewish Heritage last month. Two artists present, Theodore Smith & Joan Weiler, spoke about their participation with the Art Therapy program and its impact on their recovery and lives. Certificates of appreciation were presented to them and provided for the other artists as well.

4. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Nominating Committee Chair, Ericka Thoms, presented the recommended Slate of Officers for FY2015:

Second Vice Chair – Pythias D. Jones, M.D.

Vice Chair – David E. Biegel, Ph.D.

Chairperson – Eugenia Cash, LSW, MSSA, CDCA

Motion to adopt the proposed Slate of Officers for FY2015. MOTION: B. Gohlstin / SECOND: E. Caraballo
AYES: D. Biegel, E. Caraballo, E. Cash, R. Folbert, R. Fowler, B. Gohlstin, P. Jones, S. Killpack, R. Romaniuk, E. Saffran, E. Thoms, M. Warr / NAYS: None / ABSTAIN: None / **Motion passed.**

5. CHAIR'S REPORT

Mr. Snider expressed his appreciation to the members of the Board for their support and diligence throughout his tenure on the Board and especially during his two years as ADAMHS Board Chair. He felt very proud to be affiliated with a Board that has accomplished such good things and thanked Mr. Denihan, Committee Chairs and Board staff for their efforts and contributions. He added that he learned a lot and remarked that "you always get more back than what you give."

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

Committee Chair, Pythias D. Jones, M.D., reported on the meeting held on 06/11/14 at 4:00 p.m. and provided highlights on the various topics covered. (Details can be found in the P&O Committee minutes on the ADAMHS Board Web site.)

- Life Exchange Center Presentation
- Introduction to revised Clients Rights Orientation Manual
- Matt Talbot for Women Presentation
- Cognitive Enhancement Therapy (CET)
- Update on the Suicide Prevention Postcard Campaign
- Shared Health & Recovery Enterprise System (SHARES) Update
- Future Topics - dates to be determined:
 - Cuyahoga County Board of Developmental Disabilities
 - CMHA Collaboration
 - Gambling
 - Sober Beds
 - Collaboration with the Division of Children & Family Services
 - SCALE Quarterly Reports – October

7. FINANCE & OPERATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Dr. Biegel, Committee Chair, reported on the Finance & Operations Committee meeting held on 6/18/14 and highlighted the items contained in the Consent Agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA (Resolution Nos. 14-06-01 through 14-06-04).

- **RESOLUTION NO. 14-06-01 - ACCEPTING THE REPORT OF THE C.E.O. ON EXPENDITURES AND VOUCHERS PROCESSED FOR PAYMENT DURING MAY 2014**
- **RESOLUTION NO. 14-06-02 - APPROVAL & RATIFICATION OF INTERAGENCY AGREEMENTS:**
 1. Cuyahoga County Department of Health – Ryan White Part A
- **RESOLUTION NO. 14-06-03 - APPROVAL & RATIFICATION OF SERVICE PROVIDER CONTRACTS:**
 1. Cuyahoga County Department of Health – Ryan White Part A
 - Catholic Charities – Matt Talbot (\$9,000.00)
 - Community Action Against Addiction (\$10,000.00)
 2. Cognitive Enhancement Therapy (CET) for Transitional Young Adults
 - Beech Brook (\$86,000.00)
 3. Eligibility Agreements with Licensed Care Facilities
 - Kareema Darby Memorial Home II

Amendments:

 1. Amendment to Resolution 14-01-08 (Approval of 2014 Base Funding Recommendations) – Additional Funds for Transition Youth Assertive Community Treatment – Beech Brook (\$23,000.00 Increase)
 2. Amendment to Resolution 14-01-08 (Approval of 2014 Base Funding Recommendations) – Additional Funds for Property Management Responsibilities – Emerald Development and Economic Network, Inc. (\$85,000.00 Increase)
 3. Amendment to Resolution 14-01-08 (Approval of 2014 Base Funding Recommendations) – Additional Funds for Residential Services – Northcoast Behavioral Healthcare (\$150,000.00 Increase)
 4. Amendment to Resolution 14-01-08 (Approval of 2014 Base Funding Recommendations) – Additional Funds for Residential Services – Suboxone and Psychiatric Emergency Room/23 Hour Observation Beds - St. Vincent Charity Medical Center (\$431,000.00 Increase)
- **RESOLUTION NO. 14-06-04 - APPROVAL & RATIFICATION OF OPERATIONAL AGREEMENTS:**
 1. AIDS Funding Collaborative - The Center for Community Solutions (\$75,000.00)
 2. Amendment to Resolution No. 14-01-06 (Approval & Ratification of Operational Agreements) (\$1,385.00 Increase to WEWS TV5; and \$335.00 Increase to OMNI Media)

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda (Resolution Nos. 14-06-01 through 14-06-04). MOTION: B. Gohlstin
SECOND: E. Caraballo / AYES: D. Biegel, E. Caraballo, E. Cash, R. Folbert, R. Fowler, B. Gohlstin, P. Jones, S. Killpack,
R. Romaniuk, E. Saffran, E. Thoms, M. Warr, A. Williams / NAYS: None / ABSTAIN: None / **Motion passed.**

8. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT

• **Mid-biennium Budget Review (MBR)**

The document, MBR Funding for SFY15, was distributed. Mr. Denihan summarized the overall observations below:

- 1) Compared to all past State budgets, there is no direct funding to ADAMHS Boards in this funding cycle.
- 2) In order to receive funds, Boards must compete with other Boards and non-profits via Requests for Proposals.
- 3) For the first time, there is the inclusion of non-profits and community groups for State funding opportunities.
- 4) This budget is for Operating dollars only with no guarantee of funding in the future.
- 5) Large counties with housing and crisis supports appear to be excluded in favor of smaller counties that do not have housing and crisis supports.
- 6) The Director has stated that “disadvantaged” counties will not receive catch up funding; therefore, we return to receiving less funding per capita in the state at \$1.95 for continuum of care. The average per capita is \$6.08; the range of per capita in Ohio is \$1.95 to \$21.99.
- 7) Our concern is that contracts have been awarded with the expectation that cost savings realized from Medicaid Expansion will meet the level of reduced funding. Time will reveal the cost savings in the 3rd quarter.

Although a Cuyahoga County Council resolution in the past prohibited the ADAMHS Board from using Levy funds for its administrative costs, fortunately, this year the county levy funds will be permitted to be used for the Board’s administrative costs. Mr. Denihan noted that our administrative costs were about 2.5% lower than the average 10% for non-profit Boards and that the Board spent \$91,000 less for its administrative costs than the prior year. He found it unfortunate that the State Legislature has allowed misperceptions regarding this issue to drive public policy decisions that impact the role of Boards and their local control. Mr. Denihan noted that there will, most likely, be a quick turnaround for the application for state funds through an RFP process. The Board routinely does not meet in August; however, if a meeting is needed, Board members will be apprised.

Board member feedback/questions:

- As we compete with other non-profits for the funds, will non-profits be able to cross county lines to provide services?
- If a proposal is granted to another non-profit, who will have the responsibility for monitoring the services?
- Since lack of equity regarding state funding per capita has been a problem for a number of years, is there any legal basis to argue that the state funding formula discriminates against persons with severe mental illness and addictions in Cuyahoga County?
- As this legislation seems to weaken the authority of Boards, efforts should be taken to consider whether this may be a state constitutional question.

Mr. Denihan noted that Dave Lambert, Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, has been asked to look into these issues. Mr. Snider encouraged the new Board Chair to follow through on these issues to determine whether legal channels should be used. Mr. Denihan advocated for concentrating on the role of the Board.

9. OLD/NEW BUSINESS - None

10. AUDIENCE INPUT

- Greg Uhland, Executive Director of ORCA House, reminded everyone about ORCA House’s Annual Picnic scheduled for Friday, June 27, 2014 at 11:30 a.m.; flyers with details were made available for all.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Submitted by: Carol Krajewski, Executive Specialist

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