

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

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES – JUNE 26, 2013

Board of Directors Present:

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| Harvey A. Snider, Esq. | Rev. Benjamin F. Gohlstin, Sr. |
| David E. Biegel, Ph.D. | Pythias D. Jones, M.D. |
| Reginald C. Blue, Ph.D. | J. Richard Romaniuk, Ph.D. |
| Mary Boyle | Ericka L. Thoms |
| Richard A. Folbert | William J. Tobin |
| J. Robert Fowler, Ph.D. | Anngela Williams |

Absent: Elsie Caraballo, Eugenia Cash, MSSA, LSW, Stephanie J. FallCreek, D.S.W., Mary R. Warr, M.Ed.

ADAMHS Board Staff Present: William M. Denihan, C.E.O., Frank Brickner, Christina Delos Reyes, M.D., Michael Doud, Tami Fischer, Cheryl Fratalonie, John Garrity, Ph.D., Valeria A. Harper, Carol Krajewski, Scott Osiecki, Ralph Piatak, Starlette Sizemore-Rice, Maggie Tolbert, Linda Torbert

1. CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair, Harvey A. Snider, Esq., called the General Meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. There was no audience input.

2. RECOGNITION OF CONSUMER ARTWORK DISPLAY – Jewish Family Service Assoc. & PLAN of Northeast Ohio

Mr. Denihan highlighted the June artwork display created by clients in the Art Therapy Program at the Jewish Family Service Association's Ascentia program & PLAN of Northeast Ohio. Participants focused on the Neighborhoods of Cleveland and brought their impressions to life through their artwork. Ms. ZsuZsa Csepanyi, Art Therapist at the JFASA, elaborated on the recent project, and Ted Smith, one of the contributing artists, explained his interpretation of his painting and shared his appreciation for the Art Therapy program in his recovery. A certificate of appreciation was presented.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The General Meeting minutes of May 22, 2013 were approved as submitted.

4. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Given that no nominations were received from the floor during the May General Meeting, Ericka Thoms, Nominating Committee Chair, presented the proposed Slate of Officers for FY2014 for acceptance.

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

Vice Chair – Eugenia Cash, MSSA, LSW

Chair – Harvey A. Snider, Esq.

Motion to elect the proposed FY2014 Slate of Officers. MOTION: E. Thoms / SECOND: W. Tobin / AYES: D. Biegel, M. Boyle, R. Folbert, R. Fowler, B. Gohlstin, P. Jones, R. Romaniuk, E. Thoms, W. Tobin, A. Williams / NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None / Motion passed.

5. CHAIR'S REPORT

- On behalf of the newly elected slate, Mr. Snider thanked Board members for their support and noted that he looks forward to serving another year as their Board Chair.
- Mr. Snider announced that Board member, Stephanie J. FallCreek, D.S.W., has made the difficult decision not to renew her appointment term due to increased family caregiving responsibilities. The e-mail received will be shared with Board members, and a letter acknowledging her service to our Board will include our best wishes for her and her family.
- Mr. Snider provided a brief update on the 6/19/13 Cuyahoga County Health, Human Services and Aging Committee meeting. He noted that 7 of the 9 committee members present were in favor of a dedicated Mental Health and Addiction Services Levy. Mr. Snider felt that Dan Brady did a superb job of presenting his position as well as the co-sponsors. Mr. Snider expressed his thanks to everyone who testified at the hearing.

- This Sunday, 6/30/13, Mr. Snider announced that he is scheduled to be the guest speaker at the 11:00 a.m. worship service at Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 4069 Eastwood Lane, Warrensville Hts., OH, for its 6th Annual Mental Health Awareness Sunday and thanked Rev. Gohlstin for his spiritual guidance in preparing his remarks.

6. FAITH-BASED OUTREACH COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee Chair, Rev. Benjamin F. Gohlstin, Sr., reported that the Faith-based Outreach Committee met on 6/5/13 and reviewed the Action Plan recently approved by the full Board. The committee began to address the preliminary timelines established and determined that implementation of most activities will occur after January 2014. The committee also intends to approach the Board to see if there are financial resources available to support the implementation of the Action Plan’s goals and objectives. Lastly, committee member, Mary Warr, was asked to attend the next Faith-based Outreach Subcommittee on Rev. Gohlstin’s behalf.

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

Committee Chair, Pythias D. Jones, M.D. reported on a lengthy P&O Committee meeting held on 06/12/13 and highlighted items discussed.

- **Veterans Administration** – Presenters Kathleen Penman, PMHCNS-BC, Homeless Outreach Coordinator, Barbara Karam, LISW-S, Community Resource and Referral Center Lead and Psychologist, Edgardo Padin-Rivera, Ph.D, shared the services available to those veterans who are homeless or at risk of homelessness.
- **Achievement Centers** – Presenters were Patricia Nobili, MSSA, President & CEO, Barbara Obiaya, LISW, Director of Family Support and Christine Snow, Program Coordinator for Early Childhood Mental Health, who introduced the documented benefits of infant massage and the joint proposal for a mini-grant to produce a 10-minute DVD to showcase the agency’s innovative practice of infant massage for state-wide and national distribution.
- **First Treatment Program for Early Psychosis** – Lon Herman, Director of Psych/BeST Center, and the FIRST Treatment Program Director highlighted the program which aims at identifying persons who have had their “first episode” of a psychotic illness. It was noted that the program was positive; however, after one year, it was discontinued when funding ran out. The P&O Committee voted to recommend authorization of up to \$20,000 in matching funding in partnership with the BeST Center and an ADAMHS Board provider to re-establish the FIRST Program in Cuyahoga County.
- **Behavioral Health Juvenile Justice (BHJJ) Model Design** – The BHJJ project was recently redesigned to meet the evidenced based programming fidelity requirements of the state. Consequently, additional funding is needed to successfully reduce the recidivism rate of youth in state facilities. The P&O Committee voted to recommend approval of this funding request.
- **Service Coordination Residential Treatment Crisis** – Linda Torbert explained the need to allocate additional funding to address the influx of residential treatment requests to serve youth with the most severe behavioral health challenges. The committee recommends approval of additional funding to Positive Education Program, the gatekeeper for the children’s system.
- **Overview of 5-Year Funding Plan** – The plan was highlighted by Dr. John Garrity & Frank Brickner
- **County Levy Discussion** – An announcement was made about the County Council committee meeting scheduled for 6/19/13 regarding a potential dedicated Mental Health and Addiction Services Levy.
- **SHARES Update** – Dr. John Garrity, Director of QI/Evaluation & Research, summarized progress made.
- **Agenda Topics for Future P&O Committee Meetings** - (Details regarding topics listed can be found in the P&O minutes on the ADAMHS Board’s Web site.)

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- Forensic/Civil Beds
- Div. of Children & Family Services/TDM Mtgs.
- Program Review Prototype
- Strategic Plan Updates – Programming & Clinical

Dates yet to be determined:

- ▶ State Budget
- ▶ Defending Childhood
- ▶ Major Unusual Incident Report
- ▶ ACAC (Action Committee Advocating Change)
- ▶ County Levy Discussion
- ▶ Clients Rights Annual Report
- ▶ CMHA Collaboration

[Dr. Blue arrived.]

Dr. Jones reported that the ADAMHS Board Bylaws stipulate that the Planning & Oversight Committee shall also constitute the standing committee on alcohol and other drug services as required by ORC §340.022. To meet this requirement, two (2) residents of the service district who are not members of the Board but, are qualified, pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code are to serve on the P&O Committee for a four-year term. The appointees may vote at the committee level only.

Due to the resignation of non-Board member, Leslie Nye O'Donnell, the Nominating Committee, of which Dr. Jones is also a member, has voted to recommend Mrs. Katie Kern-Pilch, MA, ATR-BC, LPC-S, to be appointed to the P&O Committee. Katie is retired from her 30 years of service as Clinical Coordinator and Art Therapist at MetroHealth Medical Center. She is a family member of a person who has received services for alcohol and/or drug addiction.

Based upon the recommendation of the Nominating and Planning & Oversight Committee, Chairperson, Harvey Snider, officially appointed Katie Kern-Pilch to serve as a non-Board member of the P&O Committee for a term to begin July 2013 through June 2017 and asked that a formal appointment letter be prepared for his signature.

8. FINANCE & OPERATIONS COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee Chair, David Biegel, Ph.D., reported on the Finance & Operations Committee meeting held on 6/19/13 and highlighted the resolutions recommended for approval.

CONSENT AGENDA (Resolution Nos. 13-06-01 through 13-06-03):

- **RESOLUTION NO. 13-06-01**
ACCEPTING THE REPORT OF THE C.E.O. ON EXPENDITURES AND VOUCHERS PROCESSED FOR PAYMENT DURING MAY 2013
- **RESOLUTION NO. 13-06-02**
APPROVAL AND RATIFICATION OF INTERAGENCY AGREEMENTS:
 - ◊ Cuyahoga County Corrections Planning Board - Early Intervention & IOP and Aftercare Dual Diagnosed Programming
 - ◊ Cuyahoga County Corrections Planning Board – Intensive Outpatient services known as Early Intervention Program
 - ◊ Cuyahoga County Corrections Planning Board - Mental Health Treatment and Clinical Services to Assist Severely Mentally Ill Offenders
 - ◊ Ohio Department of Mental Health – Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH)
 - ◊ Ohio Department of Mental Health – Innovation Mini Grant
 - ◊ Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction – Assertive Community Treatment Team
 - ◊ Ohio Department of Alcohol & Drug Addiction Services – Problem Gambling and Addiction Allocation
- **RESOLUTION NO. 13-06-03**
APPROVAL OF SERVICE PROVIDER AGREEMENTS:
 - ◊ Notice of Funding Award: Cuyahoga County Corrections Planning Board - Early Intervention and IOP and Aftercare Dual Diagnosed Programming
 - Catholic Charities Services
 - ◊ Notice of Funding Award: Cuyahoga County Corrections Planning Board - Intensive Outpatient services known as Early Intervention Program
 - Community Assessment and Treatment Services, Inc. (CATS)
 - ◊ Notice of Funding Award: Cuyahoga County Corrections Planning Board Mental Health Treatment and Clinical services to Assist Severely Mentally Ill Offenders
 - Recovery Resources
 - ◊ Notice of Funding Award: Ohio Department of Mental Health - Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH)
 - Mental Health Services, Inc.
 - ◊ Notice of Funding Award: Ohio Department of Mental Health - Innovation Mini Grant
 - Achievement Centers for Children

- ◇ Notice of Funding Award: Ohio Dept. of Rehabilitation & Correction – Assertive Community Treatment Team Recovery Resources
- ◇ Notice of Funding Award: Ohio Department of Alcohol & Drug Addiction Services – Problem Gambling and Addiction Allocation
 - Recovery Resources
- ◇ Amendment to Resolution 12-11-07- Approval of CY2013 Funding Recommendations – Support Services for Permanent Housing
 - Emerald Development & Economic Network, Inc. (EDEN)
 - Mental Health Services, Inc.
- ◇ Amendment to Resolution 12-11-07- Approval of CY2013 Funding Recommendations – Youth Assertive Community Treatment
 - Beech Brook
- ◇ First Treatment Program for Early Psychosis
 - The BeST Practices in Schizophrenia Treatment Center at NEOMED
- ◇ Amendment to Resolution 12-11-07- Approval of CY2013 Funding Recommendations – BHJJ Program
 - Cuyahoga County Juvenile Court
- ◇ Amendment to Resolution 12-11-07- Approval of CY2013 Funding Recommendations – Service Coordination Residential Treatment Program
 - Positive Education Program
- ◇ Amendment to Resolution 12-11-07- Approval of CY2013 Funding Recommendations – Treatment for Heroin Dependency
 - Community Action Against Addiction

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda (Resolutions 13-06-01 through 13-06-03). MOTION: D. Biegel
 SECOND: B. Gohlstin / AYES: D. Biegel, R. Blue, M. Boyle, R. Folbert, R. Fowler, B. Gohlstin, P. Jones, R. Romaniuk, E. Thoms, W. Tobin, A. Williams / NAYS: None / ABSTAIN: None / **Motion passed.**

- RESOLUTION NO. 13-06-04
 APPROVAL OF PERSONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT: TRIAD RESEARCH GROUP, CONSULTANT

Motion to approve Resolution No. 13-06-04 was made by Dr. Biegel and seconded by Rev. Gohlstin. Per the request of the Chair, Mr. Denihan summarized for Board members the recent discussion and proposal from County Council's Health, Human Services and Aging Committee. Committee Chair, Dan Brady, noted that eight votes are needed to approve a resolution for a dedicated levy; however, only seven votes are expected. Given this situation, Mr. Brady proposed placing a 3 mill levy on the November ballot that would generate \$80 million; of this amount \$40 million would go to mental health and drug addiction providers; \$16 million to MetroHealth and \$24 million for other Health and Human services. Another committee meeting on this issue has been scheduled for July 3rd at 1:00 p.m.

Ms. Thoms asked whether the funds referenced in the proposal for mental health and AOD providers would be additional funds to what the ADAMHS Board is currently receiving from existing Health & Human Service Levies. Mr. Denihan responded that it was his understanding that this levy would provide significant additional dollars for mental health and alcohol and drug addiction services.

Based upon Councilman Brady's proposal, Mr. Denihan contacted Bob Dykes of the Triad Research Group, who indicated that the ADAMHS Board can no longer consider this initiative a dedicated Mental Health & Addiction Services Levy.

Rev. Gohlstin suggested withdrawing the motion. Given no objection by Board members, **Dr. Biegel withdrew his motion to approve Resolution No. 13-06-04.**

Discussion followed; the possibility of authorizing Mr. Denihan to work with County Council and Mr. Dykes regarding a tentative poll given the short time frame was discussed but not acted upon. The concept of sharing the cost of a poll with the

County was also broached. The Chair noted that an emergency meeting of the ADAMHS Board may be necessary to address this issue once the final direction has been determined.

9. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

Mr. Denihan highlighted items featured in the CEO Headliners dated June 26, 2013 (attached to minutes).

- Mr. Denihan shared good news regarding mental health and addiction service funding in the 2014-15 State Budget; details are found in the 1st item of the 6/26/13 Headliners.
- The ADAMHS Board is a co-sponsor of a play produced by Miracles Spiritual Retreats (MSR), a non-profit spiritual retreat organization established in 1995 dedicated to confidentially supporting individuals in their various 12-step recovery and fellowship programs. *The Gift* will be presented at Playhouse Squares' Ohio Theatre at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, June 29 and at 6:30 p.m. on Sunday, June 30, 2013. The cast of *The Gift* is in recovery and are learning about leadership, self-esteem and the power that sharing life experiences has on the recovery process. Mr. Osiecki will e-mail details to all Board members.

10. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

- The Chair thanked those individuals who participated in testifying before Cuyahoga County Council members regarding the dedicated levy. He also noted that Board members may be receiving notice of an emergency meeting.

11. AUDIENCE INPUT

- Greg Uhland, Executive Director of ORCA House, reminded Board members that ORCA House's Annual Picnic is at the end of the week on Friday, June 28, 2013 at Noon and invited all to attend.

There being no further business, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 5:40 p.m.

Submitted by: Carol Krajewski, Executive Specialist

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