

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

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 26, 2022

ADAMHS BOARD OF DIRECTORS PRESENT:

Rev. Benjamin F. Gohlstin, Sr.	J. Robert Fowler, Ph.D.
Bishara W. Addison	Gwendolyn A. Howard, LSW, MSSA
Ashwani Bhardwaj	Patricia James-Stewart, M.Ed., LSW
Reginald C. Blue, Ph.D.	Katie Kern-Pilch, ATR-BC, LPC-S
Gregory X. Boehm, M.D.	

ABSENT: Erskine Cade, MBA, Steve Killpack, MS, Rev. Max M. Rodas, MA, Harvey A. Snider, Esq., Sharon Rosenbaum, MBA

BOARD STAFF PRESENT: Scott Osiecki, Chief Executive Officer, Tami Fischer, Madison Greenspan, Felicia Harrison, Anthony Henderson, Woo Jun, Linda Lamp, Clare Rosser, Larry Smith, Jr., Maggie Tolbert, Beth Zietlow-DeJesus

1. CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair, Rev. Benjamin F. Gohlstin, Sr., called the General Meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

2. AUDIENCE INPUT ON AGENDA ITEMS – None.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the February 26, 2020, Executive Committee Meeting; November 9, 2020, Special Meeting; November 10, 2021 Committee of the Whole; and November 17, 2021, General Meeting were approved as submitted.

4. RECOGNITION OF CLIENT ARTWORK DISPLAY: JANUARY 2022

The ADAMHS Board's monthly client art display program showcases client artwork, highlights our provider agencies, recognizes the benefits of art therapy and celebrates the recovery community. The monthly client art display program can be seen in-person and virtually on the Board's website.

Ms. Madison Greenspan, External Affairs Officer, reported on the artwork produced by Luis V. and 99Treasures Arts & Culture. In the absence of representatives from both organizations; certificates of participation will be presented at a later date.

5. CHAIR'S REPORT

Rev. Gohlstin reported that Mr. Scott Osiecki, Chief Executive Officer, and he have been busy meeting with a variety of individuals, including Mayor Elect, Mr. Justin Bibb, to establish a relationship and provide an overview of the ADAMHS Board. During this meeting, Mayor Elect Bibb shared his passion and willingness to work in tandem with the Board; and since being sworn in, has taken it upon himself to remove some criteria regarding the Diversion Center. Rev. Gohlstin suggested that there may be a possibility to obtain additional resources from the City of Cleveland to further some Board activities; and noted that Mayor Bibb also shared his interest in a national movement around the 988 emergency number.

Rev. Gohlstin shared that the Mental Health Response Advisory Committee (MHRAC), the Cleveland Community Police Commission (CPC), Cuyahoga County Diversion Center staff and Board staff facilitated a discussion regarding the purpose and function of the Diversion Center on WOJU, 95.9 FM.

Rev. Gohlstin also shared that Mr. Osiecki and he spoke with Mr. Lee Weingart, a former Cuyahoga County Commissioner, who is a 2022 Republican candidate for Cuyahoga County Executive, to establish a relationship. They also spoke with Mr. Chris Ronayne, who is a 2022 Democratic candidate for Cuyahoga County Executive. He also shared that they have also proposed talking with Ms. Shirley Smith, a former state Senator, who recently announced her candidacy for Cuyahoga County Executive.

6. PRESENTATION: DIVERSION CENTER

Ms. Maggie Tolbert, Assistant Chief Clinical Officer, reported that the Cuyahoga County Diversion Center opened on Monday, May 3, 2021, whereby a few changes to the criteria have transpired since then. She referenced that initially the Diversion Center was established for law enforcement officers to drop off individuals; however, in October 2021, the criteria was expanded to include family, friends and self-referrals. Since this change in criteria, there has been an increase in referrals. Ms. Tolbert introduced Ms. Ashley Rosenberg, Clinical Administrator of the Diversion Center; Ms. Allyse Hawkins, Clinical Director of Oriana House, Inc., and the Diversion Center; and Dr. Megan Testa, Psychiatrist and Medical Director of the Diversion Center.

Ms. Rosenberg reported that the Diversion Center presentation would include an overview of the following:

- Statistics
- Introduction to their psychiatrists
- Client breakdown
- Community partners
- Facility view
- Staff
- Clients
- National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Greater Cleveland

As of Wednesday, January 26, 2022, there were 238 total referrals to the Diversion Center and currently, this month, 31 of those clients were mental health clients, 14 were substance use crisis clients and six of those clients were dual diagnosis clients. The total number of clients that were successfully referred this month was 24.

Ms. Rosenberg shared that there are two psychiatrists at the Diversion Center, Dr. Testa and Dr. Katie Kruse. Dr. Testa specializes in adult psychiatry and forensic psychiatry. She is a regular presenter at Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) trainings with police officers across Cuyahoga County. Dr. Testa has a strong interest in health policy and is engaged in advocacy for health justice and criminal justice reform at the local, state and national level. She is on site at the Diversion Center on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Dr. Kruse is a board-certified psychiatrist and child & adolescent psychiatrist. She graduated from Psychiatry Residency at the University of Michigan in 2018, as well as Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship at the University of Michigan in 2020, where she served as Chief Resident of Education. She then completed Forensic Psychiatry Fellowship at University Hospitals Cleveland Medical Center/Case Western Reserve University. Dr. Kruse is on site at the Diversion Center on Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays.

Ms. Rosenberg highlighted that the Diversion Center's clients are referred to and from a number of community partners. The top community partners include the following: Catholic Charities, Care Alliance, The Centers for Family and Children, Community Assessment and Treatment Services, Emerald Development and Economic Network, FrontLine Service, Hitchcock Center for Women, Life Long Transportation, Magnolia Clubhouse, The MetroHealth System, Murtis Taylor Human Services System, NAMI Greater Cleveland, Northern Ohio Recovery Association, Recovery Resources, Signature Health, St. Vincent Charity Medical Center, Stella Maris and Y-Haven.

Ms. Rosenberg shared photographs of various locations within the Diversion Center, as well as photographs of their diverse staff. She also highlighted brief client remarks about the Diversion Center, which were obtained from their client satisfaction surveys; and reported that NAMI Greater Cleveland provides Peer Support Groups and Inform & Inspire (I & I) Presentations at the Diversion Center. The Peer Support Groups provide emotional support, promote problem-solving strategies and assist in developing a support network outside the formal mental health system. The I & I Presentations inspire hope among participants, share information about participating in NAMI Greater Cleveland programs and provide additional resources for Serious Mental Illness/Substance Abuse (SMI/SA) recovery and maintenance. In closing, Ms. Rosenberg and Mr. James Lawrence, President and Chief Executive Officer of Oriana House, Inc., responded to any questions Board members had.

Mr. Osiecki stated that the Diversion Center is unofficially being called the Diversion Crisis Center. He indicated that as a member of the State Crisis Task Force, the trend is for Diversion Centers to be Crisis Centers. Diversion means diverting from further emergencies and/or hospitalizations.

Mr. Lawrence shared that when Central Booking opens in the near future, a large number of referrals are anticipated to occur. Mr. Osiecki reported that Cuyahoga County is steadfast that the original purpose of the Diversion Center is diverting individuals from arrest and incarceration.

Ms. Rosenberg stated that the clients that they are seeing have to be at least 18 years old, but they are typically seeing individuals in their early twenties up to their mid-thirties. Dr. Testa reported that the diagnosis of these individuals has varied. Initially they were seeing individuals with Schizophrenia, Schizoaffective Disorder, Chronic Mental Illness and are now getting more detoxification clients. They are also seeing Depression, Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), Anxiety Disorder and are seeing a little less SMI.

Rev. Gohlstein provided accolades to the staff of the Diversion Center and stated that the community is pleased as well. Board members concurred. Ms. Rosenberg reported that Board members may contact her to schedule a tour of the facility. (The PowerPoint presentation is attached to the original minutes stored in the Executive Unit.)

7. ADVOCACY ACTION AGENDA

Ms. Beth Zietlow-DeJesus, Director of External Affairs, explained the steps involved in formulating the 2022 Action Advocacy Agenda. She reported that the ADAMHS Board develops and approves and Advocacy Action Agenda each year to focus its efforts and develop messages to legislators, state agencies, policy makers, clients, families, providers and the general public to advance important behavioral health issues. At the beginning of each year, the prior year's Advocacy Action Agenda is typically reviewed by the Community Relations and Advocacy Committee to determine success, a new agenda is set and recommended to the full Board by the Committee for the current year. The Advocacy Action Agenda for 2022 was developed with the over-arching goal of promoting recovery of individuals living with mental illness and addictions by adopting and acting on the six 2021-2025 Strategic Plan Goals, which align with the Recovery Oriented System of Care principles:

1. Strengthening Service Delivery System
2. Measuring Impact
3. Maximizing Available Funding
4. Maintaining a High-Performing Organization
5. Strengthening Behavioral Health Workforce
6. Sharing Information

The Advocacy Action Agenda is in addition to the advocacy and collaboration that the Board provides on a daily basis through its work of ensuring that mental health, addiction treatment and prevention and recovery services and supports are available to help children and adults reach and sustain recovery. The adoption and implementation of the 2022 Advocacy Action Agenda will help facilitate the implementation of the Recovery Oriented System of Care by focusing Board efforts, activities, decisions and funding to advance recovery issues and initiatives.

Ms. Zietlow-DeJesus provided a program review of the 2021 Advocacy Action Agenda. She highlighted that there were 15 goals. Out of the 15 goals, four goals were completed, 10 goals were completed and ongoing (only four on the 2022 agenda, all others now engrained in daily work) and one goal not completed, but ongoing - Advocate for and support provider agencies' use of a broader range of treatment modalities, specifically including models for diverse communities. This goal has also been moved to the 2022 Advocacy Action Agenda.

The 2022 Advocacy Action Agenda has a total of 12 goals, four are remaining from last year because they need additional work and there are eight new goals. several of these new goals are built into ongoing statewide and partner advocacy work that will have major impact on the behavioral health system, locally and across the state. Ms. Zietlow-DeJesus requested the Board accept the review of the 2021 Advocacy Action Agenda and adopt the 2022 Advocacy Action Agenda.

- **RESOLUTION NO. 22-01-01**
APPROVAL OF 2022 ADVOCACY ACTION AGENDA

Motion to approve Resolution No. 22-01-01. MOTION: K. Kern-Pilch / SECOND: P. James-Stewart / AYES: B. Addison, A. Bhardwaj, R. Blue, G. Boehm, R. Fowler, G. Howard, P. James-Stewart, K. Kern-Pilch / NAYS: None / ABSTAIN: None / **Motion passed.**

8. WORKFORCE VIDEO SERIES

Ms. Tami Fischer, Chief Administrative Officer, shared that the Board, in partnership with the Workforce Development Task Force, developed a video series showcasing a variety of behavioral health careers. She indicated that this initiative came about as a result of conversations with the Cleveland Metropolitan School District's (CMSD) Careers Connect Program. The goal of this project was to educate the future workforce about career opportunities and generate an interest in the youth, who are determining their career

paths. The series consists of several shorter vignettes as well as longer videos. There were 21 individuals in the community that were interviewed and highlighted in the series; and in the interest of time, interested participants were requested to remain after the meeting to view one of the workforce videos.

9. STATE OF THE BLACK MIND IN CLEVELAND SYMPOSIUM DISCUSSION

Ms. Zietlow-DeJesus reported that the State of the Black Mind in Cleveland Symposium is being discussed with the goal to enhance, inspire, educate and create awareness for the residents of Cleveland regarding racial disparities among the Black population in Cleveland. Some suggested presenters included, but were not limited to, Jawanza Kunjufu, Rev. Dr. Robert Michael Franklin, Jr., Dr. Uma Johnson and Dr. Ibram Kendi, with an overall estimated speakers cost at approximately \$200,000. The presenters will discuss how disparities, trauma and history has on one's behavioral health. Rev. Gohlstin suggested this event to really make a difference in the community and as part of the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) initiative. The venue for this event would be the Wolstein Center with additional costs for food and parking. Ms. Zietlow-DeJesus shared that Ms. Carole Ballard, Director of Education and Training, would like to create and engage in partnerships with Cuyahoga County, the City, Cleveland State University (CSU) and Case Western Reserve University (CWRU) to share the economic cost of hosting this symposium through a hybrid model, depending on COVID-19.

Rev. Gohlstin suggested that Dr. Ciara Dennis-Morgan, Ph.D., PCC-S, provide another overview to the Board members. Dr. Ciara Dennis-Morgan's focus is on cultivating and sustaining holistic wellness. Her approach is through the lens of understanding the impact of systematic and internalized oppression while grounded in cultural values. She provides culturally attuned treatment and prevention services; and her current research involvement and interests are in the areas of cultural competency, spirituality, trauma, infant vitality, Black men, and African centered theory and treatment.

Given no further discussion regarding the State of the Black Mind in Cleveland Symposium, Board member consensus was to move forward with the Symposium.

10. TRAINING CY2021 REPORT

Due to the provision of a written Training CY2021 Report, which was previously provided for Board member review, the Training CY2021 Report was accepted as written.

11. MEDIA TRACKING REPORT

Ms. Zietlow-DeJesus reported that during the period of Wednesday, November 10, 2021 to Tuesday, January 18, 2022, the Board had 66 media mentions, of which 65 were positive and one was neutral. Highlights included the following:

- An op-ed by Mr. Osiecki regarding empathy during the holidays and a New Day Cleveland Interview with Ms. Zietlow-DeJesus and Ms. Jenita Simmons, Receptionist. Both were part of the State's Beat the Stigma Campaign, which the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OhioMHAS) Director, Lori Criss, has asked to serve as the local spokespersons.
- A News 5 story about convenient store clerks who used Narcan, which was provided through grassroots outreach efforts, to reverse overdoses.
- A quote from Mr. Osiecki, related to the opioid epidemic, was picked up and used in multiple stories across the nation.
- The Board also received good coverage about the Diversion Center and Mr. Osiecki's quote thanking Mayor Bibb for changing the requirements for the Cleveland Division of Police (CDP) to use the Center. Officers no longer need to contact the prosecutor.

For 2021, the Board had a total of 425 media mentions, 345 were positive, 79 neutral and one negative. For 2022 so far there are a total of 16 mentions, 15 positive and one neutral. Ms. Zietlow-DeJesus highlighted that the Board is off to a good start.

12. SOCIAL MEDIA AND WEBSITE TRACKING REPORTS

Social Media Report

Ms. Greenspan reported that from Wednesday, November 10, 2021 to Tuesday, January 18, 2022, the Board had 244,099 impressions, 6,433 engagements (likes, comments, retweets, mentions, etc.) and gained 147 new followers.

2021 Year-end Report - Social Media

Ms. Greenspan reported that the 2021 year-end report for social media included 1,638,541 impressions, 26,749 engagements (likes, comments, retweets, mentions, etc.), 5,144 clicks on links were shared, 39,328 video views, the Board gained 739 new followers bringing the total up to 5,827 followers and Board staff posted 1,487 times.

Website Report

Ms. Greenspan reported that 13,223 individuals visited the Board's website since Wednesday, November 10, 2021, a total of 17,931 times; and there were 48,953 page views.

2021 Year-end Report – Website

Ms. Greenspan reported that 54,591 people visited our website in 2021 a total of 81,870 times and there were 240,183 page views. The average time people spent on the Board's website was 2:13 (average time for websites is usually under one minute). The bounce rate (this is when people come to the site and leave after viewing only one page – lower the bounce rate the better) was 54% and a normal bounce rate is about 60%, which is great.

13. SUPPORT OF OHIO MHAS COMMUNITY CAPITAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION FOR PROVIDENCE HOUSE EAST CAMPUS EXPANSION: (MH-1237)

Mr. Woo Jun, Director of Risk Management, reported that the ADAMHS Board approved and submitted a State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2021-2026 Community Capital Plan to OhioMHAS in October 2019 (Resolution No. 19-10-01) to identify capital projects that benefit clients living with mental illness and/or substance use disorders. OhioMHAS Assurance Statement requires the ADAMHS Board to assure the building will be used for the purpose described in the Application unless written authorization is obtained from OhioMHAS. The OhioMHAS Assurance Statement requires the ADAMHS Board approve the Application with an assurance of an intent to support applicant's program consistent with the Application, and in addition, to annually monitor the program and operations of the facility. OhioMHAS requests a board resolution from the ADAMHS Board to reaffirm and provide support for Project MH-1237, Providence House East Campus Expansion: Renovation and construction for its administrative headquarters, family resiliency center, and a 20-bed crisis nursery and children's education center located at 11801 Buckeye Road. Ms. Natalie Leek, President and Chief Executive Officer of Providence House, was available to answer any questions Board members had.

- **RESOLUTION NO. 22-01-02
APPROVAL OF COMMUNITY CAPITAL PLAN APPLICATION FOR PROJECT MH-1237: PROVIDENCE HOUSE EAST CAMPUS EXPANSION**

Motion to approve Resolution No. 22-01-02. MOTION: G. Boehm / SECOND: K. Kern-Pilch / AYES: B. Addison, A. Bhardwaj, R. Blue, G. Boehm, R. Fowler, G. Howard, P. James-Stewart, K. Kern-Pilch / NAYS: None / ABSTAIN: None / **Motion passed.**

CONSENT AGENDA: *Resolution Nos. 22-01-03 through 22-01-05*

Rev. Gohlstein recommended including the November 2021 Finance Reports, Contracts and Contract Amendments into the Consent Agenda to be recommended for approval by the full Board.

Ms. Felicia Harrison, Chief Financial Officer, highlighted the November 2021 Finance Reports, Contracts and Amendments as listed below.

14. FINANCE REPORTS

- **RESOLUTION NO. 22-01-03
ACCEPTING THE REPORT OF THE CEO ON EXPENDITURES AND VOUCHERS PROCESSED FOR PAYMENT DURING NOVEMBER 2021**

Ms. Harrison reported that relative to the Administrative Budget that was approved for Calendar Year (CY) 2021 was \$6,518,555, and for November 2021, the total expenses were \$5,305,614.85; that is roughly 81% of the total Administrative Budget. She noted that ten months of the year is roughly 91.67%. As a result, the Board has underspent by 10.67%. Ms. Harrison highlighted that relative to the Board Voucher Report for November 2021, the expenses were routine.

The Funding Source Budget to Actual YTD, November 2021, displays the Board's total revenue budget for administrative operations and grants. The total revenue expected to be received from Federal, State and local levy funds is \$71,346,510.98; and through the

end of November 2021, the Board has received \$73,518,952.34. The bulk of these funds consists of the Board's annual amount from the County levy subsidy, which was \$43,463,659, and includes the increase of \$4.1 million from Cuyahoga County starting in 2021. Ms. Harrison reported that 103% of the budget has been received. This was due to additional funding that was awarded after the Board's 2021 budget was approved, which included additional funding for the Community Transition Program (CTP), Specialized Docket, Northeast Ohio (NEO) Collaborative Program, and some community investments – Continuity of Care funds that were received from the state.

The Revenues By Source By Month report reflected that in Quarter 1 (January through March 2021), the Board received revenues of \$49,678,209.04, in Quarter 2 (April through June 2021), the Board received revenues of \$7,425,347.70, and in Quarter 3 (July through September 2021), the Board received revenues of \$8,687,009.35. In October 2021, the Board received revenues of \$4,517,067.36 and in November 2021, the Board received revenues of \$3,211,318.89. As a result, the total revenues thus far in 2021 total \$73,518,952.34.

The ADAMHS Board Budget vs. Actuals for 2021 reflect that November YTD Actual is \$59,701,411.40 that is roughly 78% of the Board's anticipated expenditures for the calendar year. Ms. Harrison noted that the Diversion Center's expenditures are reflected on this report.

Revenue and Expenditures All Accounting Units By Month January – November 2021 includes administrative accounts as well as grant accounts. The total expenditures for Quarter 1 – 2021 is \$12,086,290.60, Quarter 2 – 2021 is \$15,815,292.63, Quarter 3 – 2021 is 13,690,730.16, October 2021 is \$8,501,873.89 and November 2021 is \$6,263,065.13; and includes the ADAMHS Board's Administration, Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities (OOD) Grant, the State Opioid Response (SOR) Grant and Other Grants. The total expenditures through the end of November 2021 is \$56,357,252.41.

The Revenues and Expenditures Grants YTD, November 2021 YTD reflects the Grant Accounting Units that include the OOD Grant, Other Grants and SOR Grant. The total expenditures for grants YTD is \$5,245,833.75.

The Cash Flow Report, November 2021 shows the 2020 Actual, and YTD thru November 2021. This report shows a comparison of the available beginning balance, total available resources, expenditures and available ending balance. The available ending balance through November 2021 is \$42,992,000.56 and includes the County levy funds, which will be spent down throughout the remainder of 2021. The projected 2021 year-end balance is \$37,597,202.98.

The Diversion Center Revenues and Expenditures YTD November 2021 YTD reflects a total of \$3,344,158.99, which is inclusive of November 2021 total operating expenses of \$319,261.72.

15. CONTRACTS

- **RESOLUTION NO. 22-01-03 – APPROVAL AND RATIFICATION OF CONTRACTS:**
 1. SAMHSA COVID-19 Relief SAPT Block Grant for Alcohol Use Disorder (AUD) Treatment
 - Thrive Behavioral Health Care, Inc. - \$200,000

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, behavioral health problems have significantly increased in the United States and Ohio, resulting in an increase in alcohol consumption and other drugs to cope with the many stressors brought on by the pandemic. Social isolation is a risk factor for relapse from alcohol and drug use, and social connection is crucial for persons recovering from substance use disorder. As a result, OhioMHAS reached out to the ADAMHS Board for this funding opportunity to find a provider that can use innovative approaches to treat persons with alcohol use/misuse disorder (AUD) during the COVID-19 pandemic; and Thrive Behavioral Health Care, Inc., was selected for this funding opportunity. Thrive Behavioral Health Care, Inc., will provide Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) data. This contract is for the time period November 22, 2021 to March 15, 2023 in the amount of \$200,000.

2. Behavioral Healthcare Management Information System Contract Renewal
 - Geisler I.T. Services, LLC - Not to exceed \$16,000

The ADAMHS Board uses a behavioral healthcare management information system for client enrollments, behavioral health claims, payment processing, and provider contract management. The Board currently contracts through Geisler

I.T. Services, LLC for the GOSH (Great Office Solution Helper) system. The annual cost of maintenance and consulting is approximately \$8,000 per year. Geisler I.T. Services will be paid a cost not to exceed \$16,000 (based on previous years) over a 2-year period for the continued support of the GOSH software system, updates, and maintenance. The GOSH system has been utilized by the Board and its provider agencies since 2019 and has proven effective based on ease of use, successful operations, and cost efficiency. Costs include consulting/project management, database software and software maintenance costs. This contract is for the time period February 1, 2022 to January 31, 2024.

3. University Settlement Community Coalition Prevention Services
 - University Settlement - \$79,000

Mr. Earl Pike, Executive Director of University Settlement, of Slavic Village approached the Board expressing the need and desire to implement a one-year comprehensive assessment and planning process addressing the needs of Slavic Village, utilizing SAMSHA's Strategic Prevention Framework for community planning. By the end of 2022, University Settlement will have conducted the necessary assessments, reviewed and cataloged available resources, reached out to and engaged key community partners, formed and launched a community-wide planning coalition, and addressed all the necessary elements (Memorandum of Understandings (MOUs), budgeting, fundraising, etc.) necessary to approach SAMSHA for further, multi-year funding that will permit the community coalition to implement the plan it has developed. This contract is for the time period January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022.

4. Pass-through of OhioMHAS Match Funding to Ohio Department of Development (ODOD) – \$168,425
 - Emerald Development & Economic Network (EDEN), Inc. - \$70,000
 - Joseph's Home - \$13,100
 - Front Steps Housing & Services - \$70,000
 - CHN Housing Partners - \$15,325

The ODOD's Supportive Housing Program (SHP) provides grants to organizations that operate transitional housing projects designed to move homeless individuals to permanent housing and/or long-term permanent supportive housing for homeless individuals with disabilities. Funds are awarded by ODOD to eligible transitional housing and permanent supportive housing providers on a competitive basis. Grantees must provide at least one dollar in public or private resources for every two dollars in SHP funds. OhioMHAS is providing a portion of the required match funding for successful applicants in the ODOD SHP Grant. OhioMHAS passes those funds through county Boards to the agencies chosen for funding by ODOD. This contract is for the time period January 1, 2022 to June 30, 2022.

5. Metrics Collection System
 - WizeHive, Inc. - \$21,000

The Board awards funding to approximately 200 programs annually through a Request for Proposal (RFP) process. The review process involves handling copious numbers of documents and data and is extremely time consuming to conduct. Currently, automation support for the process is extremely limited in terms of options. Beyond the simple mechanics of accepting and confirming providers' RFP submissions, managing the volume of files and data requires extreme care to ensure the integrity of the RFP submissions are maintained. After the RFP review and selection process is complete, another labor-intensive process begins to collect contractually defined program metrics as identified in the providers' contract Attachment 1's. On a routine basis, typically monthly, program staff monitor dedicated email accounts and verify that providers have submitted requisite metrics data in a timely manner. If data has been submitted on time and in the correct format, it is then manually copied into spreadsheets.

The first year of this solution provided automation to support the entirety of the process significantly reducing the administrative burden currently placed on Board staff. RFPs were submitted directly into the WizeHive system by providers, all while maintaining deadlines that were established by the Board. RFP scoring by staff was also efficiently completed within the system, allowing for simple and straight-forward review by Executive Staff. The system ensures the data entered by providers is consistent, complete, and accessible to staff. WizeHive also provides the capability to collect numerous metrics that we have collected through various avenues in the past. This provides the Board the added option of keeping this data within one system; and aims to eventually eliminate the labor-intensive paperwork for program metrics. This contract is for the time period March 1, 2022 to February 28, 2023.

6. Multi-System Adults Wellness Enhancement Project (MSA)
 - The Centers - \$681,353.82

The Centers plans to use this funding to support the stabilization of high utilizers of the behavioral health system. This program will service clients with four or more psychiatric hospitalizations in the past year or three or more with a 30-day period, and who have touched one or more other systems, including criminal justice, developmental disabilities, aging (over 65), homeless, or veteran systems. Funding was provided by OhioMHAS for SFY2022 and SFY2023 to develop a strategic approach to strengthening systems collaboration to support long-term wellness for adults with frequent psychiatric hospitalizations touching multiple human services and/or criminal justice systems. This funding will be used to address client's basic needs required for their community stabilization. Supports include housing – rental and security deposits, utility assistance to prevent or reverse service interruptions, treatment services, food insecurity, transportation, and other services needed for clients to maintain their sense of well-being, security and comfort in their chosen environment. This contract is for the time period July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2023.

7. Identification Crisis Collaborative (IDCC)
 - Bridge Foundation - \$101,000

IDCC consists of 33 agencies, community groups, rehab facilities and shelters in Cuyahoga County and Cleveland, Ohio, providing essential identification documents for people with low income and who are homeless. The IDCC also provides advocacy and troubleshooting when expensive and hard to obtain documents are required for basic needs and services. West Side Catholic Center (WSCC) served as the fiscal agent of the IDCC since 2006, but on October 31, 2021, the Fiscal Agent Agreement between WSCC and IDCC was terminated. Therefore, the IDCC missed the CY2022 funding request deadline. The Bridge Foundation now serves as their Fiscal Sponsor while the IDCC works to register its own IRS designation as a 501(c)3 tax-exempt organization. During CY2021 the IDCC has obtained at least 2,295 identification documents, distributed 800 bus tickets, and trained 26 individuals. This contract is for the time period January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022.

8. Ohio Suicide Prevention Foundation: Strengthening & Sustaining Ohio's Suicide Prevention Coalitions - Community Coalition Action Theory (CCAT) Study Group Grant – \$5,000

The Ohio Suicide Prevention Coalition and its partners will provide free training and guidance to strengthen local suicide prevention coalitions and enable networking with similar coalitions across Ohio by participating in a Community Coalition Action Theory (CCAT) Study Group. The intent is for coalitions to ground their coalition work in evidence-based practices by participating in the CCAT Study Group. Completing the CCAT meetings and study group will enable the Cuyahoga County Suicide Prevention Coalition (CCSPC) to adjust its strategy work using a theory-based coalition model. Completing this work will allow the CCSPC to increase its capacity, reach, and community involvement. Using theory to guide strategic actions would create lasting changes to community and health outcomes, particularly stronger education surrounding suicide, decreasing stigma related to suicide and ultimately reducing death by suicide in Cuyahoga County. Funding is being provided to enable coalitions to expand their membership through a recruitment video and printed marketing materials, as well as attend a closeout event in Columbus in September 2022. Two members of the CCSPC will participate in the grant's study group. This contract is for the time period January 1, 2022 to September 30, 2022.

9. Cuyahoga County Corrections Planning Board Court of Common Pleas Pass Through Funds:
 a) Residential Substance Abuse Treatment II (RSAT II) – \$500,000
 - Catholic Charities/Matt Talbot for Men
 - Catholic Charities/Matt Talbot for Women
 - Community Assessment & Treatment Services (CATS)
 - Stella Maris
 - HUMADAOP
 - Hitchcock Center for Women

The Corrections Planning Board's RSAT provides a residential level of care. Clients are assessed and diagnosed and receive post-residential aftercare case management by Treatment Alternatives to Street Crime (TASC). RSAT I was funded by the Court/Corrections Planning Board since 2015, and successfully funded Substance Use Disorder (SUD) services for men and women remanded for treatment by the Court. In 2022 this funding will expand the number of pooled providers to five, and will result in a new program cycle (RSAT II). It is estimated that over 175 clients will receive RSAT services in SFYs 2022 and 2023. 100% of this funding will be used to support RSAT II services at Matt Talbot for Men, Matt Talbot for Women, CATS, Stella Maris, HUMADAOP and Hitchcock Center for Women. This contract is for the time period January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2024.

- b) Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Treatment for the MAT Drug Court (Judge Matia) – \$176,880
- Catholic Charities/Matt Talbot for Men
 - Catholic Charities/Matt Talbot for Women
 - Community Assessment & Treatment Services (CATS)

The Corrections Planning Board's SUD Treatment for the MAT Drug Court provides a residential level of care and Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) to a population of felony level offenders participating in Drug Court and open in SAMHSA's SPARS system. The MAT Drug Court began with a SAMHSA award to the Corrections Planning Board in October 2018, and has successfully served both males and females presenting with Opioid Use and other Substance Use Disorders. It is anticipated that up to 60 discrete individuals will complete Residential Treatment in this Drug Court between October 1, 2021 and September 30, 2022. 100% of this funding will be used to support Residential Treatment services at Matt Talbot for Men, Matt Talbot for Women and CATS. This funding may additionally be used to support MAT services for Drug Court clients. This resource provides a source of funding to support SUD services not covered by Medicaid for an extremely high-risk justice involved population.

10. Agreements with Attorneys for Civil Commitment Hearings – \$100.00 per hour & \$150.00 per hour for special hearings
- Ronald Balbier
 - Steve Canfil
 - Paul Friedman
 - Scott Friedman
 - Ted Friedman
 - Ronald McLaughlin
 - Barbara Saltzman

Contract attorneys represent the ADAMHS Board at involuntary civil commitment hearings. By law (Ohio Revised Code 5122), the Board is required to ensure that persons temporarily detained for involuntary hospitalization actually meet the legal criteria for civil commitment. Probate court shall refer to ADAMHS Boards an affidavit to assist the court in determining whether persons temporarily detained for involuntary hospitalization are subject to court-ordered treatment and whether alternatives to hospitalization are available. Contract attorneys represent the Board at civil commitment hearings to ensure that persons subject to court-ordered treatment have due process. Attorneys represent the Board at approximately 1,000 hearings per year. This contract is for the time period January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022.

11. 2022 Opioid Awareness and Response Initiative – Not to exceed \$299,500
- The MetroHealth System (NaloxBox Program Administration) - \$15,000
 - RidMat (NaloxBoxes) - \$8,500
 - Media and Digital Campaign (Spotify, Radio One, La Mega, iHeart, Brothers Printing, and other vendors TBD) - 150,000
 - BTNX Fentanyl Test Strips) - \$100,500
 - TBD (Temperature controlled NaloxBoxes) - Not to exceed \$25,500

After two years of decreased deaths related to overdose fatalities driven by fentanyl, 2021 proved to be one of our deadliest years with more than 700 fatalities. The pandemic as well as a more lethal drug supply that is seeing new synthetic opioids, as well as fentanyl and fentanyl analogs in the entire illicit drug supply including heroin, cocaine, meth and pressed pills, has continued to devastate our community and its residents. A collaborative approach to addressing education and supporting harm reduction efforts is needed to help save lives. This plan will include the

following goals: 1) NaloxBox Expansion - purchase 30 more NaloxBoxes for indoor locations, purchase 30 temperature controlled medication cabinets, similar to NaloxBoxes, to get this medication in outdoor locations, and contract with MetroHealth for the install and management of the additional boxes; 2) Fentanyl Awareness Campaign Expansion - during high incidence overdose times and expand harm reduction messaging between those times by increasing media and streaming buys and adding neighborhood and grassroots partner publications; 3) Fentanyl Test Strip Distribution Expansion - purchase an additional 10,000 fentanyl test strips per quarter (25,000 per quarter) for grassroots distribution. Strips will be distributed in high incidence overdose areas based on medical examiner data. This initiative is for the time period January 7, 2022 to January 30, 2023.

- 12. 2022 Substance Use Prevention, Treatment and Anti-stigma Campaign – Not to exceed \$750,000**
 - Multiple Vendors TBD

Cuyahoga County Council members and the Overdose Fatality Review (OFR) Committee recommends that more education related to prevention, treatment including Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) and anti-stigma campaigns are necessary in Cuyahoga County. A work group will be composed to design the campaign and/or identify existing campaigns that will meet the needs of the campaign. Substance use, including alcohol, has been worsened as a result of the pandemic. This multi-faceted campaign will use positive messaging to help prevent substance use and enhance education about treatment best-practices and how to connect with care. Once the new designs are created and previous campaigns are chosen to share, Board staff will conduct focus groups to evaluate the effectiveness of the messaging and purchase radio, television, billboard, bus, digital, print and social media advertisements to share these messages. In addition, the group will do a direct mail campaign to homes affected by the digital divide. This campaign is for the time period January 27, 2022 to March 31, 2023.

- 13. Suicide Prevention Awareness Campaigns – \$150,443**
 - JEMOH Enterprises, LLC - \$18,700
 - Indoor Media - \$25,000
 - American Solutions for Business - \$76,743
 - Mini-grants (handled in-house) - \$30,000

A suicide prevention advertising campaign was approved as a priority item in the request to Cuyahoga County Council for the \$4.1 Million addition to ADAMHS Board's ongoing base allocation. The full amount dedicated to the advertising campaign is \$300,000. Components of the suicide prevention campaign were approved by the Cuyahoga County Suicide Prevention Coalition at their May 2021 meeting, including: 1) Partnership with Ohio Suicide Prevention Foundation's "Life is Better with You Here" campaign to reach African-American and Black youth and adults, 2) Faith-based outreach and 3) A collaboration to reach health care workers and first responders, and any other individuals adversely affected by the pandemic, through the six-county Northeast Ohio Collaborative of Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services Boards. In CY2021, more than half of the \$300,000 was invested, or is already under contract, for a variety of advertising services. This request is for the remaining \$120,443, plus \$30,000 additional, for a total of \$150,443 for CY2022's Suicide Prevention Campaign. This campaign is for the time period February 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022.

- 14. WOVU 95.9 FM Radio Partnership Proposal**
 - Burten, Bell, Carr Development, Inc. - \$20,000

WOVU 95.9 FM "Our Voices United" a Burten, Bell, Carr Community Radio Station, located 7201 Kinsman Road, Cleveland, Ohio, is a 501(c)(3) non-profit community radio station that is two years old. WOVU 95.9 FM strives to bring its listeners programming of excellent. As a community radio station, WOVU 95.9 FM provides an inclusive media platform that connects, engages and informs the entire community to achieve ongoing social and economic progress for all. Core values include WOVU 95.9 FM commitment to inclusion, outreach, education, transparency, accuracy and accountability. WOVU staff focus efforts on building quality on-air programming relevant to the needs and interest of the community. The station's coverage area consists of the entire city of Cleveland, Ohio with an average weekly listening audience of twenty thousand. The station broadcasts on the 95.9 terrestrial signal, mobile apps on Google and Apple and its website: www.wovu.org. The studio has been set up to allow for social distancing during the pandemic

and uses Zoom, FaceTime, RingCentral and live calls to host programming. This partnership proposal is for the time period January 28, 2022 to January 31, 2023.

15. Sponsorship of Dispelling Stigma Traveling Gallery
 - Project White Butterfly - \$3,375

In June of 2021, Project White Butterfly hosted a walk-through gallery display which dispelled common myths about addiction and replaced them with facts and statistics as well as provided suggestions for how to better support people with substance use disorder. There were more than 45 attendees at the two-hour June 2021 event that was held in Rocky River. Having received positive feedback from the abovementioned gallery, Project White Butterfly was prompted to design a traveling gallery to display in an array of public areas throughout Cuyahoga County to raise awareness about the harm stigma produces and provide individuals with eye-opening education about addiction. The first display will be hosted at the Cuyahoga County Justice Center in February 2022. This sponsorship is for the time period January 27, 2022 to December 31, 2022. Sara Szelagowski, Founder and Program Director at Project White Butterfly, was present to answer questions Board members had.

As a Sponsor, the Board will get the following benefits:

- o Sponsorship acknowledgment on gallery displays
- o Sponsor's name and logo displayed on Project White Butterfly's website page about "Dispelling Stigma" Gallery
- o Mentions in Social Media posts about the events

16. Card Creation and Distribution Materials
 - Project White Butterfly - \$3,000

Project White Butterfly has requested that the Board provide \$3,000 to cover the cost of materials to create and distribute 25,000 cards to be spread across Cuyahoga County during CY2022 in areas where there have been reported overdoses as well as areas where there is known drug use. Using knowledge gained from lived experience in addiction, Project White Butterfly strategically places cards that target areas where people who are in active addiction commonly frequent. The cards contain a handwritten, encouraging note and several numbers for resources that support recovery. Project White Butterfly focuses on areas that are often overlooked by standard practices of care. As individuals find the card, read the message inside, a spark of emotion may inspire the person to take action. The cards are the empowering ingredient that encourages them to reach out for help. Knowledge of the behaviors in active use and ongoing relationships with the community, help peer support workers and volunteers reach and connect with individuals missed by existing programs on a very neutral and personal level, respond promptly and link them to the resources they are seeking. Project White Butterfly cards are used to spread hope and encouragement to people with substance use disorder throughout Cuyahoga County to connect with them and provide peer recovery support and help navigate the available recovery services and resources. This contract is for the time period January 27, 2022 to December 31, 2022.

16. CONTRACT AMENDMENTS

- **RESOLUTION NO. 22-01-05 – APPROVAL OF CONTRACT AMENDMENTS:**
 1. Amendment to Resolution No. 21-01-06, Cuyahoga County NaloxBox Initiative
 - The MetroHealth System – No-cost Term Extension

Due to COVID-19 related delays, additional time is needed to complete installation of the 100 NaloxBoxes. This contract amendment is to extend the time period until March 31, 2022. All other terms of the contract remain the same.

2. Amendment to Resolution No. 21-11-07, Substitution of Provider from Serendipity Health & Wellness Agency to Serenity Health & Wellness Corporation – No-cost Substitution of Provider
 - Serendipity Health & Wellness Agency
 - Serenity Health & Wellness Corporation

Substitution of provider from Serendipity Health & Wellness Agency (Serendipity) to Serenity Health & Wellness Corporation (Serenity) for the New Provider Contract to implement a new youth mentoring program, the AXIOS Project, at John F. Kennedy High School. On the advice of Serendipity's accountant, it rebranded and created a new corporate entity, Serenity Health & Wellness Corporation, to operate AXIOS. All other terms of the contract remain the same.

3. Amendment to Resolution No. 21-11-07, Roberto Flores Treatment Program (Flores) Termination
 - FrontLine Service - \$145,000 Decrease

The Board has contracted with FrontLine Service for many years and was approved for funding in the amount of \$5,337,344 for CY2022. With the COVID-19 pandemic, staffing capacity has been FrontLine Service's greatest vulnerability, and during the recent COVID-19 surge, it has not been able to maintain adequate staffing levels to operate the 24/7 facility at Flores. As a result, FrontLine Service has relocated all of the residents and made the difficult decision to no longer operate Flores. FrontLine Service's CY2022 funding will be reduced by \$170,000 from \$5,337,344 to \$5,167,344. This leaves \$25,000 for FrontLine Service expenses for January 2022. Ms. Susan Neth, Chief Executive Officer of FrontLine Service, was available to answer any questions Board members had.

4. Amendment to Resolution No. 21-09-06, Northeast Ohio Collaborative: Withdrawal Management/Detoxification and Crisis Bed Expansion – \$2,131,277.16
 - Windsor Laurelwood - \$100,000
 - Stella Maris - \$150,000
 - Lake County ADAMHS Board - \$191,050
 - Applewood (Cuyahoga County) - \$303,138.58
 - Applewood (Lorain County) - \$303,138.58
 - Ravenwood - \$275,000
 - Silver Maple Recovery Center - \$120,000
 - Lorain County MHARS Board - \$70,000
 - Geauga County MHARS Board - \$85,000
 - TBD - \$383,950
 - Each ADAMHS Board in NEO Collaborative - \$25,000 (\$150,000 Total)

Amend Resolution No. 21-09-06 to include approved carryover funding from the OhioMHAS in the amount of \$881,277.16 and to authorize contracts and funding allocations for the Northeast Ohio Collaborative: Withdrawal Management/Detoxification and Crisis Bed Expansion for the providers, time periods and amounts listed in the Agenda Process Sheet totaling \$2,131,277.16.

5. Amendment to Resolution No. 21-11-07, FIRST Schizophrenia Program
 - Catholic Charities - \$30,000

For CY2022 the Board recommended eliminating \$30,000 in FIRST Schizophrenia Program funding from the allocation category and only allowing funding through the pooled funding mechanism. Catholic Charities requested reconsideration to return to the funding allocation for the FIRST Schizophrenia Program stating a number of reasons. The FIRST Schizophrenia Program is an evidence-based practice that mandates certain practices that help get better outcomes but are not billable activities such as team meetings, consults, trainings, etc. The cost reimbursement funds help fill the gaps for what cannot be billed and collected from the parental insurance company and to cover the non-billable activities that are part of the evidence-based program, and finally the cost reimbursement funds help to cover the results of clinical staff that have lower productivity expectations due to all the other administrative expectations of the FIRST model. Mr. Spencer Kline, Senior Director of Treatment, Prevention & Recovery Services of Catholic Charities, was available to answer any questions Board members had.

6. Amendment to Resolution No. 21-11-04, CIT Training Supplemental Contracts for the Diversion Center
 - Traumatic Players of Cleveland, Inc. - No-cost Term Extension

Amendment to Resolution No. 21-11-04 CIT Training Supplemental Contracts for the Diversion Center to extend the time period until December 31, 2022. All other terms of the contract remain the same.

7. Amendment to Resolution No. 21-11-07, New Directions, Inc. – \$34,000
 - Enhancing Adolescent & Young Adult Recovery through Connections Recovery App - \$24,000
 - Weekend/On-Call Assessments, Intakes & Admissions - \$10,000

Amendment to Resolution No. 21-11-07, New Directions, Inc., to increase the 2022 contract with New Directions, Inc., by 34,000 to include the Connections Recovery Application program (\$24,000) and funding for weekend/on-call assessments, intakes, and admissions (\$10,000). The contract is for the time period January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022.

8. Amendment to Resolution No. 21-03-02, The Devereux Student Strengths Assessment (DESSA) Tool
 - Aperture Education Services - \$4,500

Amendment to Resolution No. 21-03-02, The DESSA Tool to extend the time period until July 31, 2022 and increase the contract by \$4,500. All other terms of the contract remain the same.

Rev. Gohlstin reiterated that he declared the November 2021 Finance Reports, Contracts and Contract Amendments into the Consent Agenda to be recommended for approval by the full Board.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda (Resolution Nos. 22-01-03 through 22-01-05). MOTION: R. Blue / SECOND: G. Boehm / AYES: B. Addison, A. Bhardwaj, R. Blue, G. Boehm, R. Fowler, G. Howard, P. James-Stewart, K. Kern-Pilch / NAYS: None / ABSTAIN: None / **Motion passed.**

17. 5-YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN QUARTERLY UPDATE

Mr. Osiecki stated that the ADAMHS Board's 2021-2025 Strategic Plan positions the Board and its service delivery system for success in a continually changing and increasingly demanding behavioral healthcare environment and includes the following six goals: 1) Strengthening Service Delivery System, 2) Measuring Impact, 3) Maximizing Available Funding, 4) Maintaining a High Performing Organization, 5) Strengthening Behavioral Health Workforce, and 6) Sharing Information. This plan is a living document that will be modified with the ever-changing environment, reviewed and updated as needed with periodic updates provided to the ADAMHS Board of Directors on the goals achieved and progress made on the plan.

Mr. Osiecki and Ms. Fischer provided a brief review of each of the six goals outlined in the Board's 5-Year Strategic Plan by sharing a few of the activities and progress made on each of the identified goals during the last quarter, which includes October 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021. In total 84 accomplishments were made during the last quarter. (The 5-Year Strategic Plan Quarterly Update is attached to the original minutes stored in the Executive Unit and can be found on the Board's website.)

18. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

Mr. Osiecki shared information regarding the following items of discussion:

- **Meetings with Newly Elected Officials/Candidates:**
 - Mr. Osiecki reported that Rev. Gohlstin and he met with Ms. Meredith Turner, who is succeeding U.S. Representative Shontel Brown as District 9's Cuyahoga County Councilwoman.
 - Mayor Bibb toured the Diversion Center and Mr. Osiecki and Ms. Tolbert had a chance to converse with him.
- **OhioMHAS Director, Lori Criss, Meeting:**
 - Mr. Osiecki had a Zoom meeting with OhioMHAS Director Criss regarding comments made about Cuyahoga County's behavioral health system. Presently, a meeting is being scheduled to include participants from OhioMHAS, the Board and Cuyahoga County's hospital systems to discuss everyone's involvement in the county's behavioral health system.
- **Legislative Update:**
 - Mr. Osiecki reported on a variety of legislation at the State and Federal level that have a link to behavioral health and highlighted a few of them.

- Governor DeWine signed House Bill (H.B.) 169 into law on Thursday, December 23, 2021, which authorizes \$529 Million of Ohio's American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding for immediate provider workforce relief payments; and a portion of these funds will be utilized for behavioral healthcare providers.
 - The Senate added an amendment to HB 51 that would allow for virtual public meetings through June 30, 2022. They passed the language out of the Senate with an emergency clause. The bill needs a concurrence vote in the House and to be signed by the Governor before it is effective. Unfortunately, we learned today that now the House will not meet next week and their next session is scheduled for February 9th. Based on this information, this provision will not be effective before the second week of February.
 - H.B. 523, which consists of the composition and authority of ADAMHS Boards, was recently introduced by State Representative D.J. Swearingen, serving Erie and Ottawa counties.
- **Progressive Insurance Partnership:**
 - Mr. Osiecki reported that a presentation transpired on Wednesday, January 26, 2022 with participants of the Senior Leadership Development Program of Progressive Insurance. The purpose of the program is to develop future leaders at Progressive, assist with exceling at strategic planning and building coalitions.
 - The two main areas of concentration were as follows: 1) Provider Diversity, Equity and Inclusion and 2) Provider Accountability, Data Collection and Analysis.
- **Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Update:**
 - The DEI Committee met on Monday, January 10, 2022, with 43 participants.
 - Mr. Osiecki highlighted that prior to this meeting date, a reminder note was forwarded to provider agencies to encourage participation.
 - The consultant, REdCon, led a conversation on the importance of collaborating and working across silos within the behavioral health system.
 - The survey to assist with the assessment phase of the strategic planning process was launched; and all residents of Cuyahoga County are encouraged to complete the survey and share their voice in the process.
 - The entire schedule of DEI meetings is located on the Board's website; and the next meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 7, 2022.
- **All Provider Meeting:**
 - The All Provider Meeting transpired on Tuesday, January 18, 2022, via a Zoom meeting, and was well attended. The agenda included changes in invoicing, Compliance Provider Organization Structure Assessment, Updated Provider Contact Information Survey, Website Finding Help (Provider Page) Updates, Behavioral Health Workforce Task Force, Diversion Center, Availability of Test Kits, and the Roberto Flores Home.
- **Addiction Recovery Advocacy Meeting;**
 - The Addiction Recovery Advocacy Meeting transpired on Monday, January 10, 2022, via a Zoom meeting. Ms. Zietlow-DeJesus provided an update on legislation, NaloxBox and other grassroots efforts. Ms. Fischer also provided an update regarding workforce development efforts and Dr. Martina Moore, Moore Counseling and Mediation Services, shared her experience and advocacy with providing college students for work.
 - The next Addiction Recovery Advocacy meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 4, 2022, with a focus on stigma and education.
- **Records Retention Policy Update:**
 - The Records Retention Policy was approved by the Board on Wednesday, September 29, 2021. Once this was completed, and as required by law, Mr. Woo Jun, Director of Risk Management, presented this policy and schedule to the Cuyahoga Records Commission on Wednesday, December 8, 2021. Minor changes were requested and identified; and Mr. Osiecki reported that this policy supersedes any previous policies.
- **COVID-19 Update:**
 - All provider agencies have been impacted by the recent COVID-19 surge.

- Clients and staff were affected and many residential and detoxification providers were closed for intake up to ten days. However, the Board's outpatient treatment and prevention providers were still able to provide services in-person and virtually.
 - The Roberto Flores Home had a severe COVID-19 outbreak amongst staff and residents over the holidays and all residents were moved off site.
 - All of the Board's Adult Care Facilities (ACFs) remain open and are accepting clients. Mr. Osiecki reported that there have been some positive cases among residents and staff; however, operations have not been impacted.
 - Relative to the Criminal Justice system, Mr. Osiecki reported that jury trials in Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Court are scheduled to resume on Monday, February 7, 2022.
 - The return to in-person programming within Cuyahoga County Jail, such as AOD groups, remain delayed due to COVID-19.
- **Staff Update:**
 - Mr. Osiecki shared the following updates related to recruitment:
 - Administrative Assistant II – Clinical Department
 - ❖ Ms Heather Hall has resigned to take a position at Probate Court. Her last day will be Friday, January 28, 2022. This position has been posted internally and externally and resumes will be accepted through Monday, February 7, 2022.
 - Compliance Officer position
 - ❖ The Board has filled the second of the three Compliance Officer positions.
 - ❖ Board staff are working to fill the third Compliance Officer position.
 - ❖ These positions report to Mr. Anthony Henderson, Chief Compliance Officer.
 - Administrative Assistant II – Education & Training - Diversion Center Project (Grant funded position)
 - ❖ Ms. Fischer and Ms. Ballard were unable to identify a suitable applicant to fill the Administrative Assistant II position from the individuals that applied.
 - ❖ As a result, the Board's Receptionist will be assisting with these duties for the remaining 11 months of this grant.

19. **NEW BUSINESS**

Rev. Gohlstin reported that Ms. Elsie Caraballo has resigned from the Board to take care of some family responsibilities. As a result, the Board wishes to extend our best wishes; and a token of our gratitude for her years of service. It was noted that Ms. Caraballo was the Chair of the Nominating Committee, therefore, this vacancy will need to be filled.

Rev Gohlstin reported that for the health and safety of Board members and staff, the February ADAMHS Board meeting schedule will consist of an in-person Committee of the Whole Meeting on Wednesday, February 16, 2022, when we will conduct all the business of our committee meetings. We will then meet again in-person for our General Meeting on Wednesday, February 23, 2022, for final approval.

20. **AUDIENCE INPUT**

Loh, an advocate, thanked the Board for the informative meeting and inquired about the possibility of a service provider tour of the Diversion Center. Rev. Gohlstin stated that due to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA), a tour of the Diversion Center is not possible.

21. **UPCOMING FEBRUARY AND MARCH BOARD MEETINGS:**

- General Meeting: February 23, 2022
- Community Relations & Advocacy Committee Meeting: March 2, 2022
- Nominating Committee Meeting: March 9, 2022
- Planning & Oversight Committee Meeting: March 9, 2022
- Finance & Operations Committee Meeting: March 16, 2022
- General Meeting: March 23, 2022

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:54 p.m.

Submitted by: *Linda Lamp, Executive Assistant*

Approved by: _____
Rev. Benjamin F. Gohlstin, Sr., Chairperson, ADAMHS Board of Cuyahoga County