

Richland County Mental Health & Recovery Services Board

Meeting Minutes April 16, 2013

Present: Jeff O'Brien, Jan Winbigler, Dave Krenrick, Lanette Remaley, Dick Walters, Dr. Jay Haar, Laurence Rawls, Joann Hipsher, Andy Medwid, Bobbi Swank

Excused: Vivian Winters, Kelsey Gledhill

Unexcused: Jerry Bartman

Staff Present: Joe Trolian, Carolyn Muth, Sherry Branham, Nancy Kaufman

Visitors: WMFD, Mary Kay Pierce

Laurence Rawls called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and led members and guests in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Member roll call was recorded and a quorum established.

***Approval of March 19, 2013 Meeting Minutes** ó Laurence Rawls

Andy Medwid motioned to approve the March 19, 2013 meeting minutes. Dave Krenrick seconded. There were no corrections, and the motion was approved unanimously.

***Motion to approve expenditures for last half of March and first half of April,** ó Laurence Rawls

Jeff O'Brien motioned to approve expenditures for the last half of March and the first half of April. Andy Medwid seconded. There were no questions and the motion was approved unanimously.

Cash Position – Carolyn Muth

The cash beginning balance as of February 28, 2013 was \$5,124,022.14. Total revenue for the month of March was \$1,150,589.59. Expenditures for the same period were \$409,873.33, leaving a balance of \$5,865,738.40. This is an increase of \$740,716.26. Carolyn noted the revenue was largely levy money. Dave asked if this is earlier than normal to receive levy money and Carolyn said yes it is. We usually get the levy money in April, but we received it in March this time.

Liaison's and President's reports ó Laurence Rawls

There were no reports.

Director's report – Joe Trolian

Joe has been dealing with Medicaid expansion all day, every day. He reported that he has been in Columbus frequently. Right now Medicaid expansion has been taking a beating. He participated in a rally at the statehouse last week and also today. He just received word today that it did not get put in the omnibus bill. Joe attended a State Finance Committee meeting last week and found it very interesting. Usually it is very clear who is supporting and who is opposing an issue by the questions they ask the committee. This

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time, there were no hard-ball questions, so we are not sure who is actually opposed to it. With Medicaid expansion, we would be able to treat clients at the "front door" rather than waiting until they show up in the jail or the courts. They did give Behavioral Health \$50 million in the budget, but expanding Medicaid would provide much more than that. We will continue to fight the good fight. Joe will keep everyone posted.

On a positive note, the GOSH system continues to progress. We have a verbal agreement with the 6 County ADAM Board located in Muskingum County which will bring in about \$30,000. We recently received a check from our first agency, and we are currently in negotiations with another agency. We were looking at 18-24 months to cover our costs and begin to make a profit. Now it looks like we may cover our costs in less than 18 months. Two more counties are coming for a demonstration this month. Most of the boards in the State are looking at a process like GOSH, so we are way ahead of the game.

Joe then asked Sherry to give a May is Mental Health Month update. She distributed a copy of the calendar and went over some of the highlights. She hopes to have more events added to the calendar. The next planning meeting is April 18th.

Joe reported you can keep up to date on various events by checking our website which is now up and running. It can be found at richlandmentalhealth.com.

Board to Board meetings are coming up on May 16th and 23rd. Six agencies will be reviewed at that time. The Finance Committee is asked to attend and there is room for one more Board member. If you are interested and not on Finance Committee, let Carolyn know.

Personnel Committee will need to meet as it is time for Joe's yearly evaluation. He is finishing up the second year of a three year contract.

The Nominating Committee will also need to meet to finalize a slate of officers to be presented next month and voted on in June.

We have partnered with the Ashland and Wayne/Holmes County Boards to host the RSVP recovery conference for the past 5 years. Ashland County has made it clear from the start that this is their project. Last year and again this year, there have been differences of opinion as to what options for recovery are presented. As a result, Richland County has decided to discontinue our participation in this event. We would, however, like to plan our own recovery conference. This event would be in 2014 in conjunction with May is Mental Health Month. Several other counties have expressed interest in joining with us for a recovery conference. We would like to make sure we have a conference that encompasses all roads to recovery. Joe asked the Board if anyone had any objections with us having our own conference. Several Board members expressed support of Joe's decision.

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Our annual dinner will be Tuesday, May 21st at Ed Pickens' Café on Main. Invitations will be going out within the next two weeks. Please let us know if you are coming and bringing a guest.

OACBHA as issued a challenge for each Board to raise at least \$100 to fund the PAC. Joe has agreed to match any donation up to \$200. OACBHA's PAC has been very good and we need to support them.

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Future Agenda Items

None

***Adjournment**

Lanette Remaley motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:05 p.m. and Jan Winbigler seconded.

ATTESTED BY:

PRESIDING:

Jan Winbigler, Secretary

Laurence Rawls, President