

Richland County Mental Health & Recovery Services Board

Meeting Minutes September 21, 2021

Present: Kym Lamb, Jay Wachs, Monica Durham, Ronald Moton, Jon Ahles, Susan Bemiller, Mike Donahue, Jeff Hite, Susan Lehr, Jennifer Lemon, Dr. Brett Toward, Christina Thompson

Excused: Cindy Lewis

Unexcused:

Staff Present: Joe Trolian, Angie Parker, Carey Vogt

Guest: Mary Kay Pierce of NAMI

Jennifer Lemon called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Community Meeting

1. * **Approval of July 20th, 2021 meeting minutes** - Jennifer Lemon

asked if there was a motion to approve July 20th, 2021, meeting minutes.

Moton motioned to approve, and Ahles seconded. There was no discussion, and the motion was approved unanimously. Motion carried.

2. * **Motion to approve expenditures for the last half of July 2021, All of August and the first half of September 2021** -Jennifer Lemon

Lemon asked if there was a motion to approve expenditures for the last half of July 2021, all of August and the first half of September 2021. Moton motioned to approve the expenditures and Bemiller seconded. Motion was approved unanimously. Motion carried.

3. **Property Negotiations** – Jennifer Lemon

Trolian presented an opportunity that has arisen in the past month to jointly purchase a building with Development Disability. Trolian stated we would be looking to renovate a section of the building to start a youth crisis stabilization unit. Trolian stated that there are opportunities through State Capital Funds to access Match dollars up to \$750K. He stated that there is one program that we will try for first called Youth Resilience Dollars that will only require a 25% match otherwise we will need to provide a 50% match. There were many questions from Board members that Trolian answered and then he asked for authorization to begin negotiations to purchase the building in collaboration with Developmental Disability, negotiate the renovations and accessing capital funds. He would be looking at a range of local dollars between \$250K and \$750K. Lemon called for a motion to approve the authorization, Hite made the motion and Donahue seconded. The Motion Passed Unanimously.

4. **Cash Position** – Carey Vogt

The cash position beginning balance as of the first of July 2021 was \$5,855,079.96. We added a total revenue for July 2021 of \$270,759.33. Total expenditures for the same period were \$558,706.88. Leaving an end of July fund balance of \$5,567,132.41.

This is a decrease of (\$287,947.55).

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The cash position beginning balance as of the first of August 2021 was \$5,567,132.41. We added a total revenue for August 2021 of \$1,442,039.59. Total expenditures for the same period were \$541,635.09. Leaving an end of August fund balance of \$6,467,536.91.

This is an increase of \$900,404.50.

5. President's reports – Jennifer Lemon

Lemon gave an update on the Overdose Awareness Event that was held in Lexington. Despite the rainy weather there was still a good turnout. This year several organizations had booths set up to pass out information. Four individuals gave testimonies. ~~and~~ Dr. Bocka and Joe Trolian provided statistics and updated information on accessing services. It was a great event.

6. Executive Director's report – Joe Trolian

Trolian gave a quick update on the Urgent Care pilots. He stated that all total the system saw about 65 people through the Urgent Cares during the month of August. The majority were seen through Catalyst Life Services. Family Life is ~~looking~~ moving to the Model A proposal starting in October and hopefully between that and some push for referrals we will see both programs continuing to grow.

Trolian informed the Board that he has been working through the Ohio Association of County Behavioral Health Authorities (OACBHA) to work with Senator Romanchuk to sponsor legislation to allow voluntary Boards, specifically Mental Health and Recovery Boards to be able to adopt policies to allow meetings to be held via teleconference or hybrid even if they include voting. The policy would address how the Board will meet all the requirements of Open Meetings while utilizing this technology.

Trolian gave a quick overview of the Recovery and Business breakfasts that are scheduled for October 8th and October 15th and the plans to continue to try and have quarterly meetings with business that either already consider themselves "Recovery Supportive," as well as those that would like to learn more and hopefully also become Recovery Supportive.

Trolian finished up with discussing the Week of Appreciation. He stated that they have a number of awards being crafted and as soon as they are ready, they will go personally to distribute the awards. Photos will be taken and a montage of all the awards being handed out that will be released on social media. This is in place of the canceled annual dinner.

7. Old Business

None Presented

8. New Business

Lamb presented some updates on the Mental Health and the Church. It was canceled for September, but the plan as of now is to reschedule it as soon as the health issues are more amenable. She reported that there was a program this past weekend at the Latter Rain Church entitled Breaking the Stigma. It was coordinated by a group called Restored Vision and included presentations by Joe Trolian, Mary Kay Pierce from NAMI and a Keynote presentation by Dr. John Queener from Minority Behavioral Health Group. Lamb also stated that for the Recovery and Business event, there is an online registration form that can be found on our site, on our calendar and through the Chamber.

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9. Future Agenda Items

None Presented

10. * Adjournment

Hite motioned to adjourn the meeting and Bemiller seconded.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 P.M.

ATTESTED BY:



Jennifer Lemon, Chair



Tom Lamb, Secretary