

Richland County Mental Health & Recovery Services Board

Meeting Minutes November 16, 2021

Present: Jon Ahles, Susan Bemiller, Mike Donahue, Christina Thompson, Susan Lehr, Jennifer Lemon, Cindy Lewis, Brett Toward, Jay Wachs

Excused: Monica Durham, Jeff Hite, Kym Lamb, Ronald Moton

Unexcused:

Staff Present: Joe Trolian, Sherry Branham, Angie Parker, Debbie Ammons, Carey Vogt

Guest:

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Board member roll call was recorded, and a quorum was established.

Community Meeting

1. * Approval of October 19, 2021 Meeting minutes - Jennifer Lemon

Asked if there was a motion to approve the October 19, 2021, meeting minutes. Lewis motioned to approve the October 19, 2021, meeting minutes. Lehr seconded. There was no discussion, and the motion was approved unanimously. Motion carried. No Abstentions.

2. * Motion to approve expenditures for last half of October & first half of November 2021-

Jennifer Lemon

Lemon asked if there was a motion to approve expenditures for the last half of October and first half of November 2021 expenditures. Donahue motioned to approve and Wachs seconded.

Motion was approved unanimously. Motion carried. No Abstentions.

3. Cash Position – Sherry Branham

The cash position beginning balance as of was \$6,318,376.42. We added a total revenue for the last of September and all of October of \$931,079.22. Total expenditures for the same period were \$985,437.10, leaving an end October fund balance of \$6,264,018.54. This is a decrease of \$54,357.88.

4. President's report – Jennifer Lemon

Suggested we all check in with family and friends to see how they are doing. And wished all a happy Holiday.

5. Executive Directors Report – Joe Trolian

We are done with the first phase of Urgent Care. 200 people seen, 78 in counseling sessions.

Catalyst doing the bulk of all the business. Family life had a total of 7 clients, will probably not be moving onto phase 3. We will put the money that would have gone to them towards advertising of Urgent Care at Catalyst. Cleveland and Columbus people coming in for the Urgent Care services.

Bad news, Trolian said suicide has skyrocketed. September thru November 18 total for the year.

We will be working on getting more timely reports on suicides from the coroner's office. Will be doing Holiday suicide advertising. Ages of 19 to 87 most of suicides. Many of the people that OD

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are not considered suicides unless there is a note or other corroborating evidence, they are typically listed as accidental deaths.

Trolian said our One pager will be changing. We will be updating the sheet which is typical. However, we will be tying the agencies participation in the Ohio Behavioral Health Information System and willingness to give the Board access to this data as a requirement to appear on the One-Pager.

Starting January 1, 2022. Catalyst will no longer be charging a room and board rate for Withdrawal Management or SUD Residential if an individual that does not qualify for a grant. This will allow the agency to draw in a larger number of out of county residents to fill consistently open beds. This should result is significant increases in revenue for the agency and a decreased cost for the Board.

Remember, **no** December meeting. See you In January. Everyone have a happy Holiday season.

6. **Old Business** – None to report

7. **New Business** –

Thompson asked how contract agencies and other providers will fair with employee losses due to the CMS COVID-19 vaccine mandate, which requires healthcare organizations that receive funds from Medicare and Medicaid to have employees who are fully vaccinated with the COVID-19 vaccine. With the hospitals and other healthcare agencies required to follow the mandate, job losses may result in an increased number of people who need services. If there are less employees at the healthcare organizations, services may be impacted for those who seek care.

Trolian said there is really nothing in place to help at this time. An attorney working on language to try and help with the mandates. Trolian will keep us updated if any changes are made in this matter.

8. **Future Agenda Items**

Ahles said that Friday at the Kroger's on Lexington Ave, from 11 AM to 2 PM there will be a cram the cruiser with food, to help local people in need.

Wachs mentioned the Buckeye Bash Fundraiser to help with scholarships for kids in need with financial help.

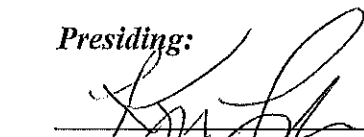
9. * **Adjournment**

Lemon asked for a motion to adjourn. Ahles motioned to adjourn the meeting and Lehr seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 PM

ATTESTED BY:


Jennifer Lemon, Chair

Presiding:


Kym Lamb, Secretary

*Denotes items requiring Board Action.