

Richland County Mental Health & Recovery Services Board

Meeting Minutes January 17, 2023

Present: Christina Thompson, Susan Lehr, Mike Donahue, Sue Bemiller, Cindy Lewis, David Krenrick, Jennifer Lemon, Jay Wachs, Kym Lamb, John Ahles, and Ron Moton

Excused: Sylvia Jordan, and Jeff Hite

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

Guest: Mary Kay Pierce

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

1. * Approval of November 15, 2022, meeting minutes - Christina Thompson

Thompson asked if there was a motion to approve the November 15, 2022, meeting minutes.

Ahles made the motion to approve the minutes, Lewis seconded the motion.

There was no discussion, Thompson called for a vote and the motion was approved unanimously.

Motion carried.

2. * Motion to approve expenditures for November 2022 -Christina Thompson

Thompson asked if there was a motion to approve expenditures for November 2022. Moton motioned to approve, Bemiller seconded. Trolian clarified that due to a delay in the County MUNIS system opening for the new year, we were not able to provide the expenditures for December, but they will be included with the January's for the February Board meeting. There was no further discussion. Thompson called for a vote and the motion passed unanimously. The motion carried.

3. Cash Position – Sherry Branham

The cash position beginning balance as of October 31, 2022, was \$7,196,036.69. We added a total revenue for November 2022 of \$787,542.74. Total expenditures for the same period were \$564,876.36. Leaving a November 30, 2022, fund balance of \$7,418,703.07. This is an increase of \$222,666.38.

4. *Finance Committee Report- Mike Donahue

Donahue provided highlights from the January 9th, 2023, Finance Committee meeting. He referred to the minutes that were provided in the Board Packet. He stated that a lot of time was spent discussing the status of the Board operating and the overall program budgets. Donahue, stated the rest of the time was spent discussing the State Opiate Response No Cost Extension program and the State Opiate and Stimulant Response 3.0 program. As of the meeting the Board still had not received the Notice of Award for either program. However, the Agencies, under instructions and assurance from the State of Ohio continued to provide services and had submitted their quarterly invoices. Trolian pointed out that earlier today (January 17th) the Board had received the Notice of Award for SOS 3.0, but still had not received the Notice of Award for SOR 2.2 NCE.

Donahue made a motion on behalf of the Finance Committee to approve a resolution authorizing the Board to utilize the funds from the Program Reserve to bridge the delay in funding for SOR 2.2 NCE. Upon receipt of the Notice of Award, the funds would be replenished. Thompson called for a second which was made by Wachs. With no further discussion, Thompson call for a vote and the Motion passed unanimously.

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5. Strategic Planning Committee Report-Kym lamb

Lamb stated that the Strategic Planning committee met on January 12th to review the current status of the 5-year Strategic Plan and also review the 2023-2025 Community Assessment and Plan. Lamb referred to the summary that was in the Board Packet to say that the Board is on track after 6 months for accomplishments on the Strategic Plan. She pointed out a highlight of goal 3 objective 1 which addressed the rising concern of homelessness in Richland County. She pointed out, based on the recent article in Richland Source how quickly the Board and partner agencies were able to address a concern and make some significant headway in addressing Homelessness. Trolan shared that he will begin working on a Gantt Chart for the Strategic Plan so it is easier to see if items that have not been started are not due to start for awhile or if there is an issue delaying the start. This will make it easier to review progress and challenges.

Lamb stated that the committee then moved to addressing the Community Assessment and Plan. She deferred to Trolan to provide some additional explanations. Trolan stated that this is the new version of the Community Plan, which is required annually in Ohio Revised Code 340. This is a three-year plan that seemed overly detailed and confusing at this point, but will provide a framework and outcome tracking, will give good evidence to support progress in future years. He hoped that Board members noticed that the Community Assessment Plan paralleled the Strategic Plan very closely. Trolan stated that it is his intention to make sure these documents compliment each other rather than being two completely separate documents. Lamb stated that on behalf of the Strategic Planning Committee she would like to make a motion to adopt the 2023-2025 Community Assessment Plan. Thompson asked for a second which was made by Moton. With no further discussion, Thompson call for a vote, which passed unanimously. The motion carried.

6. President's reports – Christina Thompson

Thompson deferred her report, because she wanted to share some good news that Trolan also wanted to share and she did not want to steal his thunder.

7. Executive Director's report – Joe Trolan

Trolan shared that for calendar year 2022, Richland County experienced a 25% decrease in overdose deaths at 38 and decrease in overdoses by 12% at 353. This is the lowest in the past 5 years. He feels that the total continuum of outreach through treatment and aftercare has made a significant impact on this issue and hopes to see this trend continue.

Trolan reminded everyone that the February 4th is the Rehab Telethon. If Board members wish to pledge money for the telethon, they have envelopes at their seats and they can also go online and follow the donation link. He encourage Board members that if they make a donation to call him or send him an email and let him know how much and it will be included in the large check that Joe will present during the 3-4pm hour when he is guest hosting.

Trolan shared with the Board and referenced goal 3 of the Strategic Plan, the potential development of Crisis Continuum that would bring all crisis services for adults under one "Fire House" Model program. The funding would change from a purchase of service strategy to staffing strategy and would significantly increase the capacity to serve the community 24 hours a day 7 days a week and should significantly increase response times and broaden where crisis services can be received. He stated that this model has been presented to Catalyst and they have until January 27th to agree to participate or get clarification. If Catalyst agrees, the plan will be to implement the model fully on July 1, 2023.

Trolan asked Mary Kay Pierce of NAMI to talk about and up coming event that will take place during the Month of February. Pierce provided fliers for an event during Black History Month which will be a Black Mental Health and Wellness Symposium. This will be held February 11th

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form 5pm to 9pm at the Mansfield Playhouse. There will be several speakers, information tables and a panel discussion at the end. All are welcome to attend and there is no admission cost.

8. Old Business

No Old Business

9. New Business

Lamb addressed the progression of the KnowItB4UNeedIt calendar. She stated that we have moved into the Season of Hope. This will run through the end of March and will be followed by Faces of Hope that will run April through June. During this time we hope to highlight people working in our field that also have lived experiences with mental illness and addiction. We hope this will spot light that many of the people providing help have overcome challenges to get where they are and share that experience, ultimately demonstrating that recovery is attainable. We will then move into the summer months and focus on wellness activities that encourage active expressions of wellness. September will bring us back to Recovery Month and then move back to the Help and Hope for the Holidays starting in November. She encouraged anyone with events to share them and we will help promote them.

10. Future Agenda Items

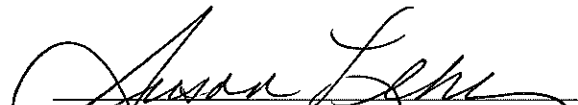
No future agenda items presented.

11. * Adjournment

Thompson called for a motion to adjourn. Donahue made the motion and Moton seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 6:18pm.

ATTESTED BY:


Christina Thompson, Chair


Susan Lehr, Secretary