



Richland County Mental Health & Recovery Services Board Meeting Minutes October 17, 2023

Present: David Krenrick, Jay Wachs, Christina Thompson, Susan Lehr, Cindy Lewis, John Ahles, Caral James, Jennifer Lemon, Mike Donahue, and Elder Ron Moton.

Excused: Sue Bemiller

Unexcused: Sylvia Jordan, Jordon Wurthmann

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

Guest: Kym Lamb and Nicole Fuhrhop

Krenrick called the meeting to order at 5:32 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

1. * Approval of September 19th, 2023, meeting minutes - Dave Krenrick

Krenrick asked if there was a motion to approve September 19, 2023, meeting minutes. Donahue made the motion to approve the minutes, Lewis seconded the motion. There was no discussion, Krenrick called for a vote and the motion was unanimously approved.

2. * Motion to approve expenditures for September 2023 -Dave Krenrick

Krenrick called for a motion to approve expenditures for September 2023. Moton motioned to approve, and Lewis seconded. Vogt shared that there was a minor error that she found in something that was calculated under the wrong fiscal year, it did not change the balance, but the correction has been made. She stated that if any Board Members wish to have a corrected financial report, she can provide it. Krenrick asked Vogt if she saw anything on the payables that stood out. Vogt stated that we received a few second quarter pay ins early this year, so the trend of money coming in and out will look a little different over the next couple of months, but it is simply a cashflow issue and will not affect allocation levels. Krenrick called for a vote and the motion passed unanimously.

3. Cash Position – Sherry Branham

The cash position beginning balance as of the first of September 2023 was \$7,398,448.17. We added a total revenue for September 2023 of \$671,219.11. Total expenditure for the same period was \$819,002.00. Leaving an end of September fund balance of \$7,250,665.28. This is a decrease of \$147,782.89.

4. Strategic Planning Committee- Jay Wachs

Wachs provided an overview of the meeting of the Strategic Planning Committee that met on September 26th at 11:30am. Trolian provided an update on the 4 Goals of the five-year strategic plan. Wachs highlighted several areas that were discussed and reminded Board members that they received the full summary and copies of the minutes in their packet. Wachs stated that the next meeting of the Strategic Planning Committee would be in the 3rd quarter of fiscal year 2024.

5. President's Reports – Dave Krenrick

Krenrick who was filling in for Bemiller did not have a report.

6. Executive Director's report – Joe Trolian

Trolian reviewed an informational page that was provided by the Board Association regarding Issue 2 the Marijuana Legalization Issue that will be on the ballot in November. He stated that a handful of Boards around the State have taken a position against this issue. He offered that Boards receive federal funding, so there is no way to take a position in favor of the issue since marijuana will remain illegal at the federal level, so since a Board can only take one position, it does not look much like an unbiased position. Moton asked if it becomes legal, will that effect whether the board can treat the addiction and Trolian stated the marijuana will remain a treatable condition regardless of the outcome of the vote, we will just lose an effective leverage point that kept people in treatment through court involvement.

Trolian discussed the Agency to Board meetings and wanting to get these scheduled. The Board felt this should be handled through the Executive Committee and a morning meeting on a Tuesday may be most convenient. They also agreed that agencies should get separate days which would allow them to not feel rushed. Trolian stated that he will reach out to the agencies and work on getting these scheduled in November.

Trolian shared that there is a Professional Ethics training on Friday October 20th and there are still seats available, so any of the Board members with licenses are welcome to attend. He also shared that the Board will be participating in Haunted Hallways at Lexington Schools on October 30th and could use a couple of volunteers if any Board members were interested. Wachs agreed to participate.

7. Old Business

None Discussed.

8. New Business

Wachs shared that the current round of Faces of Hope is under way and 10 new videos have been added. He stated that he is moving into Holidays and Hope and that Lemon has been the first to agree to do a short video on her Holiday traditions. He is looking for more additions.

Guest Kym Lamb also shared that KNOWITB4UNEEDIT's Help and Hope for the Holidays is underway. There are two Billboards up and running. She encourages Board members who have other organizations that may be doing events for the Holiday to add them to the community calendar. Trolian also shared that the radio spots started Monday and will run through the end of the year.

9. Future Agenda Items

None Discussed.

10. * Adjournment

Krenrick called for a motion to adjourn. Wachs made the motion and Ahles seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:01pm

* Denotes items requiring Board action.

ATTESTED BY:



Susan Bemiller, Chair



Dave Krenrick, Vice Chair