# Richland County Mental Health & Recovery Services Board Meeting Minutes October 16, 2018

**Present:** Barbara Blanton, Becky Brewster, Monica Durham, Kym Lamb, Jennifer Lemon, Cindy Lewis, Andy Medwid, Christina Thompson, Brett Toward, Andrew Waldruff, Ronald Moton

Excused: Susan Bemiller, Barbara Blanton, Sheila Holloway, Brett Toward

Unexcused: Ann Mitchell

Staff Present: Joe Trolian, Sherry Branham, Angie Parker

Guest:

Kym Lamb 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 September 18, 2018 Meeting Minutes - Kym Lamb

Lamb asked if there was a motion to approve September 18, 2018 meeting minutes. Medwid stated 2 corrections need made in the Board Minutes. Medwid motioned to approve the September 18, 2018 meeting minutes. Lewis seconded. Medwid noted an additional correction so there was an additional motion made by Medwid to amended this error and approve the minutes, this was seconded by Lewis and the minutes were approved unanimously.

# 2. \* Motion to approve expenditures for the last half of September and the first half of October 2018- Kym Lamb

Lamb asked if there was a motion to approve expenditures for the last half of September and the first half of October 2018 meeting minutes. Medwid motioned to approve the last half of September and the first half of October 2018 meeting minutes. Durham seconded. Lamb asked if there was any one present that is abstaining. Motion was approved. Motion carried.

#### 3. Cash Position – Joe Trolian

Trolian presented that the cash position beginning balance as of September 1, 2018 was \$6,822,445.42. We added a total revenue for August of \$62,313.02. Total expenditures for the same period were \$686,073.18. Leaving an end of September fund balance of \$6,198,685.26. This is a decrease of (\$623,760.16).

The charts show a spike in August and then back down in September.

### 4. President's reports – Kym Lamb

Lamb attended the Recovery Conference and said it was fascinating to be around that many people in Recovery. It was two days of spending time with people in all levels of recovery. She was very motivated by people in recovery who speak out to the legislators. Lamb thanked the Board. She advised that being on Opiate review Board and seeing work that is being done is encouraging and sees that we are making headway.

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#### 5. Executive Director's Report – Joe Trolian

Trolian presented on issue 1. It's a constitutional amendment that proposes doing treatment in leu of incarceration which we would support. However, it takes sentencing power out of the judicial system. The amount of drugs you would have to have is a large amount (20 mg) and all drugs are at equal amounts regardless the type of drug. Our system is not financially capable of supporting the 1<sup>st</sup> year if the issue passes. OACBHA has taken a stand (see handout). If the amendment is not successful there would have be another constitutional amendment to change it again. Trolian said he is advising the Board they can take a position if they choose or they can back the Board Associations position.

Medwid says Judges get pre-sentence report to make themselves aware of the person in front of them. He feels this moves us away from being a democracy.

Trolian says this could cause our specialty docket programs to be impacted or dismantled. He feels control needs to stay individualized and be in the hands of the Judges. Moton said he has witnessed many court hearings and feels it's important for people to have help. He feels prisons do not rehabilitate. Trolian says he would like to continue to work with legislators to address this epidemic by tweaking policies instead of doing it in a constitutional amendment.

Trolian provided an update on the land transfer of new buildings. We will own the buildings and Catalyst will own the land. The paperwork is done but is sitting at KeyBank who is not moving it. Progress is being halted because the land is not being transferred. On Friday we got an email from the contractor that they will have to keep working the soil at a cost if they do not move forward with foundation work starting. Trolian said we would like to give them permission to move forward asking the Board to determine what to do. Waldruff made a motion to proceed pending legislative pressure being initiated by Trolian to get the bank to expedite the transfer. Moton seconded the motion to move forward with work on buildings.

State has an available opportunity for funding. Trolian would like to apply for funds to use as room and board and pull local funds back to replenish the capital reserve of the Board. The funds can be used for Peer Support Specialist staffing. This will also allow us to save levy funds which can also go into replenishing the capital reserves.

There is an upcoming prescription take back occurring.

The November meeting falls on Tuesday before Thanksgiving. The Board wants to move the meeting up a week to November 13th. Medwid motioned the November 13<sup>th</sup> board meeting and Brewster seconded it. November 13<sup>th</sup> is the new date for our Board meeting.

#### 6. Old Business

None to report.

#### 7. New Business

None to report.

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### 8. Future Agenda Items

None to report.

## 9. Adjournment

Lamb asked for the motion to adjourn the meeting. Medwid motioned to adjourn the meeting and Dunham seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 6:21 P.M.

ATTESTED BY:

Kym Lamb, Chair