

WOOD COUNTY ALCOHOL, DRUG ADDICTION, AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES BOARD

MARCH BOARD MEETING MINUTES

March 11, 2024

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ADAMHS BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Matthew Battiato, Karen Baron, Katina Bostic, Judy Ennis, Brandy Laux, Dan Lambert, Dr. Carol Mowen, Erica Parish, Frank McLaughlin, Scott Kleiber, and Leslie Miller

ABSENT: ~~Brandy Laux (E)~~, Corey Speweik

BOARD STAFF: Aimee Coe, Laura Fullenkamp, Julie Launstein, and Kathryn Shackleton

GUEST: John Fortner, Katie Frank, Julie Carle, Jessica Hartman, Courtney Rice, Bree Snow, Victoria Graham, Dustin Watkins, Kathy Mull

CALL TO ORDER: Frank called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Kathryn called the roll and a quorum was present.

Board Report: Frank stated encouragement for everyone to read the report as there is a lot happening right now. Frank asked if there were any questions or concerns. Judy mentioned the superintendent meeting that she attended last week, where Aimee presented. Judy states they are supportive, and kudos to Aimee, and thanked her for the great job she did. Erica had 2 questions, one regarding Chess Health, we were maybe going back to the attorney for an amendment, and asked where we stood with this. Aimee states that she is moving forward with implementation, and we are hoping piece 1 of what was promised should be rolling out April 1. As we have applied pressure to them, they are stepping up to the plate. Kathryn and Frank stated we are still working on the no cost extension for 6 months, and she is going to be talking to the CEO about returning some funds. Dan asked if anyone else was using this. Aimee states there are other Boards and they came very highly recommended. Matt states that the 6-month extension, if they haven't provided services for 9-months, why are we only getting 6-months. Aimee states this was a conversation with Amanda and the CEO, so she wasn't privy to it. Matt does not have a lot of confidence in this, and still feels we should be moving forward with breach of contract and suing for a return of funds. Erica's last question was about the fund raising Kaylee was doing. Julie clarified that it was donations for tickets. Leslie asked for clarification on the OneOhio funds, and this was clarified that we are not applying for funds, but are on the committee to determine where they go.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

February & March 11 Board Meeting Minutes: Frank states there are two sets of minutes, and asked if there were any additions, corrections, or concerns. Judy motioned to approve both sets of minutes and Katina seconded. All present were in favor. Minutes were approved for the February and March 11th Board meetings.

BOARD ACTION RESOLUTION

FY2024-22 Board Admin Budget: Frank read the resolution to the Board. Karen motioned to approve this resolution, and Erica seconded. Roll was called. All present were in favor. Resolution passed. After approval, Erica did ask what was in the "other bucket" for the budget. Julie states it was things that didn't fit anywhere else, such as the phones and storage unit.

NEW BUSINESS:

Harbor Presentation: Dustin Watkins, the CEO, reintroduced himself. He is here to do the first couple slides, to tell us more about Harbor. John Fortner will do the rest. Dustin then began the presentation with Harbor's core values, mentioning their goal of having a person-centered approach. Dustin further mentions their broad range of services in the EAP, Vocational, and Mental Health & Substance Use Disorder Treatment. John then gave a breakdown of the services Harbor offers. Beginning with Fee for Service and a breakdown of clients served in

mental health and substance use. John highlighted the SOS grant-funded Outreach Specialist and the difference this is making with patients. John explained the Forensic/ACF Monitor position. John then discussed the housing programs Harbor holds: HAP (Housing Assistance Payment) for those individuals who need financial assistance to move in or are unable to obtain permanent housing subsidy; HUD Supportive Housing for the 3 apartment complexes in BG where residents pay 30% of income toward rent; TIP (Transition to Independence Program) for 18-24 year old typically coming out of foster care and lacking basic living skills, requiring 6 productive hours a day; IPS (Individualized Placement and Support (IPS) supporting employment for people with serious mental illness; Class 2 Residential which are group homes staffed 24/7; Semi-Independent for individuals who do not need supervised living but are not ready for completely independent living; Connection Center is a drop in center for all those in the community to participate in groups, events, and outings; Devlac Hall which is a women's substance use disorder residential program, funded through state pass-through grant. John then asked if there were questions. Frank asked how many forensic clients we have. John states it depends on whether he means those in the hospital or living in the community. Laura states there are 8 being forensically monitored and 5 in ACFs. John then states that Dustin has brought a renewed focus on the clients, where his goal is to interact with clients.

NAMI Presentation: Jessica Hartman introduced herself to the Board and then began her presentation with an overview of who NAMI is and its values. Jessica then touched on key awareness dates before discussing mental health by the numbers, stating the advantages of being part of a national organization and the state partners and how they can interact. Jessica provided background on how the Wood County NAMI came about and what they do: Support, Educate, Advocate. Jessica then touched on NAMI Signature Programs: Family-to-Family, NAMI Basics, NAMI Provider, and NAMI Peer-to-Peer. Jessica spoke on the Peer Education WRAP (Wellness Recovery Action Plan), which is personalized wellness and recovery planning. She highlighted the peer support programs and community education programs NAMI has. Jessica explained the Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Program and Mental Health First Aid. Jessica stated the board does not fund NAMI 100% and provided an example of the extra they provide outside the Board contract. Jessica then touched on the community education programs NAMI has. Jessica mentioned the community support programs they run, the advocacy they provide, and their awareness efforts throughout the year. Jessica discussed the different ways they are diversifying their funding sources. Jessica brought this up to touch on them not having received an increase in funding in 5 years, and the increases they were getting were for marketing and SPC. That said, inflation has caused different required costs to increase, like D&O insurance and health insurance. Being a 5-staff agency, losing even one staff member is 20% of employees, and her concern is not getting an increase for a 5th year. Jessica asked if there were any questions. None were asked.

OLD BUSINESS:

Frank wanted to mention the levy. Originally, we were going to do a presentation on this, but it will probably be at the next meeting. As mentioned in the Board report, staff met with the Board of Elections, and Frank joined them. We are working on getting the commissioner's resolution to approve us on the ballot, though the deadline isn't until August.

OTHER:

Nominating Committee: Frank states it is that time of year, and we need volunteers for a nominating committee. Karen volunteered again. Katina states she can join. Those who may want to be considered for the board positions, please reach out to Karen.

Matt asked if there was a reason we were not reviewing the February financials at this meeting. Julie stated we only received them last week as the Auditor's office was behind. Frank asked if they would be on the agenda for April 15th, and Julie answered February for sure. We will see about March.

Leslie asked about the NAMI annual dinner being on the same day as our board meeting to clarify the date.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Dustin, Harbor: reminds everyone about Walk for Hope in Perrysburg on May 4th.

Katie, Unison: gave a shout-out to Harbor, Julie, and Laura. There was a difficult-to-place client, and they worked through the weekend to get this client placed, and we were successful today.

Kathy, Cocoon: April is sexual assault survivor and prevention month. They have ribbons in Perrysburg and events planned in April to promote their work.

Victoria, OhioGuidestone: At BGSU, they are hosting Advice With A Slice to answer any questions about the field and encourage students into the field. Feedback on Chess Health: They have had contact, and they met with staff to provide training. She states they were told clients will never be terminated from the app.

Jessica, NAMI: mentions that invites are in the mail for the dinner, so they should see these soon. Also, please feel free to attend the MH conference in May.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 6:07 pm.

Approved by



Frank McLaughlin, Board Chair, ADAMHS Board of Wood County

Date

Submitted by: Kathryn Shackleton, Executive Assistant