

Board Minutes March 20, 2024

The Mental Health and Recovery Services Board of Allen, Auglaize, and Hardin Counties Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, March 20, 2024, at 9:00 a.m., at the Mental Health and Recovery Services Board Office in Lima, OH.

Members Present: Mary Early, Tyler Smith, Amy Freymuth, Aaron McLaurine, Amber Martin, Jody Shaw, Arlette Pollock-Evans, Jim Bronder, Robert Warren, Kim Everhart, Mark Huber, Tracy Wright

Members Absent: Chad Dunlap, Matt Manns, Brooke Featheringham, Barb Link, Priscilla Burt

Staff: Tammie Colon, Kelly Monroe, Sheri Strawn, Amy Morman, Katie Walker, Trisha Smith

Visitors: Jaime DeClercq, Lighthouse; John Bindas, FRC; Melissa Hauenstein, St. Rita's Mercy OBOT; Michelle Stockwell, SAFY; Marcell King, UMADAOP; Beth Miller, PASS; Melanie Woods, Mercy Health, Dawn Mansfield, St. Rita's; Elizabeth Schaefer, Guardianship Board

Amy Freymuth called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Robert Warren made a motion to accept the February 21, 2024, minutes with Tyler Smith seconding the motion. Motion passed. (See attached)

Presentation: Elizabeth Schaefer- Guardianship

Executive Committee:

Tammie addressed the Board about creating a policy around the commitment to pay for individual requests for Residential Treatment for adults. The Board does not currently fund Residential Treatment but would like a flexible policy in place for extenuating circumstances. Tammie will reach out to other Boards for similar policies.

Kim Everhart made a motion to approve the changes to Policy 512 Business Travel and Reimbursement. Aaron McLaurine seconded the motion. Motion passed by roll call vote. (See attached)

Invoice Received from Allen County Commissioners:

The executive committee is requesting from the commissioners the amount of interest that they receive generated by the MHR SB general fund before making a recommendation for the payment of the invoice. A policy will be considered in the future for how to address this moving forward.

Parking Lot:

Tammie and Trisha spoke with the owner of C&G Mortgage regarding the parking lot adjacent to our current parking lot. He stated that the Board could lease the lot at this time and if we make any updates, he will allow us to have first consideration in purchasing the lot when he is ready to retire and sell his business.

Finance Committee:

Tyler Smith made a motion to approve the FY2023 Annual Report as presented. Jim Bronder seconded the motion. Motion passed by roll call vote. (See attached)

Robert Warren made a motion to approve the FY2023 Audit as presented. The audit was an unqualified audit with one non-compliance for then and now. The county shared with us a description of a then and now purchase order for the future. Arlette Pollock-Evans seconded the motion. Motion passed by roll call vote. (See attached)

Robert Warren made a motion to approve the Monthly Board Report for January and February 2024. Sheri Strawn presented the State/Federal/Levy Funds spreadsheet, outlining current spending in each of the three areas. Jim Bronder seconded the motion. Motion passed by roll call vote. (See attached)

Robert Warren made a motion to amend the FY24 Lighthouse contract by an additional \$15,000 for recovery housing. Mary Early seconded the motion. Motion passed by roll call vote. (See attached)

New Business:

Mary Early made a motion to approve the May is Mental Health resolution. The Board will seek resolutions from other community partners. Kim Everhart seconded the motion. Motion passed by roll call vote. (See attached)

Jim Bronder made a motion to approve the changes to Policy 316- Health Insurance. The updates clarified when an employee becomes eligible for health insurance and the availability of a Health Reimbursement Account (HRA) for staff members. Mary Early seconded the motion. Motion passed by roll call vote. (See attached)

Reports

Bills for Payment: Bills for payment were recognized and signed off by the present board members for the period of February 21, 2024-March 13, 2024

Legislative Report: N/A

Forming a Nominating Committee: Tammie will send an email to the Board members asking for a nominating committee to reach out to the other members for interest in becoming the Executive Committee. The committee will report out at the April board meeting.

Tammie asked Board members to share any suggestions they have for presentations at future board meetings.

Next Meeting

Next board meeting will be held on April 17, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. at the Board office in person.

Adjourn

Jim Bronder made a motion to adjourn at 10:16 a.m. with Mary Early seconding. Motion passed.



Board Member



Reporting Secretary