

The Mental Health and Recovery Services Board of Allen, Auglaize, and Hardin Counties Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, July 19, 2023, at 9:00 a.m., at the Mental Health and Recovery Services Board Office in Lima, OH.

Members Present: Aaron McLaurine, Mary Early, Priscilla Burt, Arlett Pollock-Evans, Amber Martin, Kim Everhart, Jody Shaw, Amy Freymuth, Barb Link, Chad Dunlap, Robert Warren, Brooke Featheringham, Tracy Wright

Members Absent: Jim Bronder, Tyler Smith

Staff: Tammie Colon, Kelly Monroe, Sheri Strawn, Amy Morman

Visitors: Melissa Hauenstein, Mercy OBOT; Rick Skilliter and Beth Miller, PASS; John Bindas, FRC; Julli Griesheimer, Wings; Judy Lester, SAFY; Melanie Woods, Mercy Health; Marcel King, Lima UMADAOP; Dawn Mansfield, Mercy Health

Amy Freymuth called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

Robert Warren made a motion to approve the June 21, 2023, minutes with Mary Early seconding. Motion passed. (See attached)

Executive Committee

Chad Dunlap made a motion to go into executive session pursuant of ORC 121.22 to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion or compensation of a public employee or official, or the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual, unless the employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual requests a public hearing by division (G)(1) of section 121.22 of the Revised Code. Amber Martin seconded the motion. Motion passed by roll call vote.

Mary Early made a motion to come out of executive session at 9:22 a.m. with Tracy Wright seconding the motion. Motion passed by roll call vote.

Kim Everhart made a motion to approve the updated Table of Organization as of 7-19-23. With this new table of organization, we will be adding the Crisis Infrastructure Specialist, which will be supervised by our Associate Director. The Board will be writing this position into the ARPA II grant. This position will be overseeing the Hospital admission and data collect and reporting, Pre-Screen training, outpatient restoration and competence restoration, 988 Interoperability, development of new level of care at the Crisis Center, Mobile crisis, contracting with Adult Care facilities and suicide/overdose review board. The Board will be forwarding this new job description to all Board members and will hopefully be posting the positions as soon as possible. Priscilla Burt seconded the motion. Motion passed by roll call vote. (See attached)

New Business

Robert Warren made a motion to amend the FY2024 Purchase of Services budget by an additional \$90,000.

- \$20,000 is for Allen and Auglaize Health Assessments which are every 3 years.
- \$40,000 is for the Rhodes State College early learning center that will be reimbursed through Healing Communities. This project aims to provide supportive-trauma informed childcare to

the children of parents in intensive inpatient or partial hospitalization treatment for Opioid or Stimulant Use Disorders.

- \$30,000 is for the City of Lima – Echo program. This is an after-school program for at-risk youth.

Aaron McLaurine seconded the motion with Amber Martin abstaining. Motion passed by roll call vote. (See attached)

Barb Link made a motion to amend the FY2024 Capital budget to not exceed \$5,973,614. The Board will be receiving ARPA I funds in the amount of \$1,300,000 and state capital match of \$750,000. We are also requesting \$1,250,000 to be transferred from the levy balance for a total revenue of \$3,300,000. The CSU expansion – Step down unit of an expense of \$3,174,614. Tracy Wright seconded the motion. Motion passed by roll call vote. (See attached)

Aaron McLaurine made a motion to approve the FY2024 Certificate of Estimated Resources in the amount of \$14,145,507 and the appropriations in the amount of \$14,145,507. Mary Early seconded the motion. Motion passed by roll call vote. (See attached)

Aaron McLaurine made a motion to amend the FY2023 Certificate of Estimated Resources in the amount of \$11,819,808 and the appropriations in the amount of \$11,837,344. Arlett Pollock-Evans seconded the motion. Motion passed by roll call vote. (See attached)

Mary Early made a motion to amend the FY2024 SAFY contract by an additional \$9,360 for a new contract total of \$1,531,920. This amount is for a three-month period of July – September of 2023 for Hardin County Family/Juvenile court services. SAFY was providing the service and can no longer provide so Family Resource Centers is working with Hardin County Court to provide this service. Robert Warren 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 June 21, 2023 – July 6, 2023

Legislative Report: Tammie reported the following:

Directors Criss and Corcoran shared the following important notes for BH rate increases:

- They are considering a baseline increase of 10% across the board, but that has not been officially decided yet. There will still be discussions about how this will proceed.
 - Director Corcoran specifically noted that the percentage increases will not necessarily result in a direct 10% increase for every agency.
 - (We won't know for sure until we see the actual rate proposals.)
- The additional direct care investment will be targeted toward community BH services provided by the “direct care” workforce (direct care was not explicitly defined on the webinar)
- The BH rate increases will be state plan amendment (SPA) changes:
 - They are planning to start clearance in August – formal rule process in October – file the SPA when the rules are ready
- They are targeting a January 1, 2024 effective date for the rate increases.
- Increase in Residential State Supplement (RSS) program. RSS helps people with financial and Medicaid assistance so they can live successfully in their communities. The current monthly income is \$1,300 and it will go to \$1,600.

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The board is working with an architect to survey the piece of land located at 901 S. Main St., Lima, OH.

The Board is meeting with a potential Maintenance person at 10:30 a.m. on July 19th.

Amy Freymuth inquired about Auglaize housing and Tammie reported that Jason is always looking at buildings.

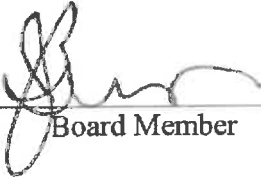
Guardianship –All 3 counties judges are on board with creating a multi county Board with Allen County being the guide for Auglaize and Hardin Counties


Next Meeting

Next board meeting will be held on August 16, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. at the Board office in person.

Adjourn

Chad Dunlap made a motion to adjourn at 10:00 a.m. with Kim Everhart seconding. Motion passed.


Board Member


Reporting Secretary