



WASHINGTON COUNTY
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARD

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Thursday, December 17~ 7:00 p.m.
Meeting held via Zoom video conference

I. Call to Order, Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by President Eric Fowler at 7:01 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Welcome and Introductions

Present

Jarrett Barnhouse
Michael Beardmore
Eric Fowler
Eric Johnston (7:09)
Laura Knab
Brett Nicholas
Charles Pridgeon, Ph. D.
Jim Raney, Ph. D.
Tony Tuschner (7:09)
Larry Schwendeman

Absent

David White
Larry Hall

Staff

David Browne
Aleisha Roberson
Shaeleigh Sprigg
Tara Plaucher

Guests

Caitlin Simmons
Linda Sistrunk
Jovonnah Burns
Carla Archer
Dr. Wittberg
Mark Wehl
Tim Hall
Sherry Shamblin
Robert Marion
Micayla Lyons
Erin Taylor

IV. Public Statements

Tim Hall recently completed the October forty hour Peer Recovery Supporter training funded by the Washington County Behavioral Health Board and is now providing Peer Support at Mid-Ohio Valley Employment (MOVE) as an AmeriCorps member. Tim will also be shadowing at the Board office throughout his AmeriCorps term.

V. Agenda Revisions

The following revisions were made to the agenda:

- XIII. Old Business
- B. Rescind motion #50.2020 FY 21 Life & Purpose Contract

VI. Approval of Minutes – November 19, 2020

Dr. Pridgeon asked for clarification on Board member Tony Touschner’s attendance status on the minutes that showed “Technical Difficulties”. Tara shared that although Mr. Touschner was logged into the virtual platform, he was unable to communicate, leaving him unable to be considered a voting member during motions.

Motion # 52.2020

It was moved and seconded (Larry Schwendeman, Dr. Pridgeon) to approve the minutes of the November 19, 2020 Board meeting. The motion passed with the following votes.

Barnhouse	Beardmore	Fowler	Hall	Johnston	Knab	Nicholas	Pridgeon	Raney	Schwendeman	Touschner	White
Y	Y	Y		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	

Y= Yes N= No A= Abstain

VII. Treasurer’s Report

Mike Beardmore called attention to page ten of the report that shows a return of Community Transition funds to the State. David Browne shared that the prison re-entry unused funds were requested to be returned by the State.

Motion # 53.2020

It was moved and seconded (Dr. Pridgeon, Brett Nicholas) to approve the Treasurer’s report and disbursements. The motion passed with the following votes:

Barnhouse	Beardmore	Fowler	Hall	Johnston	Knab	Nicholas	Pridgeon	Raney	Schwendeman	Touschner	White
Y	Y	Y		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	

VIII. Director’s Report

David Browne shared that an appraisal of the Fifth Street property was scheduled for December 14. Mr. Browne would like to have the house sold by the end of the year. Community member, Mark Wehl asked through the “chat” option if the appraisal was put out for competitive bid. Mr. Browne shared that “yes” the appraisal received multiple bids and the decision was based on price and speed of completion. As shared in the House of Hope report, Mike Dennis plans to apply for capital funding through the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction services to assist in the purchase or build of a new location. David Browne shared that Board staff are willing to provide assistance in navigating through the application process and support the idea of relocating closer to town.

IX. Program Director- In addition to her report, Aleisha shared that staff now have access to the CorData software provided by the State. Washington County will have multiple divisions that will have access to the CorData software. Aleisha also introduced Megan Smith, who is working toward a Master's degree in Public Health at Ohio University. Megan will start her internship at the Board in the spring of 2021.

The switch from WMOA to iHeartMedia has been made and Behavioral Health ads and additional content can be heard on the following FM radio stations: WNUS and the River.

X. Compliance Director- Shaeleigh shared her appreciation to the Washington County Crisis Response Team members for offering their services to over 240 individuals in 2020. She also expressed her excitement that Tim Hall has been placed at MOVE providing peer support to individuals seeking employment.

The Staff reports were received and will be filed with the minutes.

XI. Agency Reports

- A. House of Hope** – David Browne shared renovations and updates to the facility are being reimbursed to the House of Hope by the Board.
- B. EVE, Incorporated** – There were no updates to the report or questions offered.
- C. Life & Purpose** – There were no updates to the report or questions offered.
- D. The Right Path** – There were no updates to the report or questions offered.
- E. Rigel/Oriana House-** There were no updates to the report or questions offered.
- F. Hopewell Health-** There were no updates to the report or questions offered.
- G. PAX-** There were no updates to the report or questions offered.
- H. Community Health Improvement Associates (CHIA)** - There were no updates to the report or questions offered.
- I. Integrated Behavioral Health-** There were no updates to the report or questions offered.

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XII. Committee Reports

- A. Program Planning & Oversight** – Dr. Raney shared that the committee met on November 24 to discuss the need for a Peer Recovery Support Services Program in Washington County. Representatives of Life & Purpose Behavioral

Health and Memorial Health System described how their current Peer Recovery Support Specialist works. Consensus among the attendees appeared to support expanding the program to service more patients. Outcome of the meeting was Dr. Raney, Mike Beardmore, and David Browne meet on December 1 to develop a specific proposal for consideration.

- B. Community Relations** – Eric Johnston shared that the committee met on Tuesday, December 8 to discuss renewing the WTAP contract for 2021. Guest, Rick Marshall, WTAP representative shared that there were no changes to the contract. Eric also mentioned that he is in the process of writing an op-ed article on appropriate ways to discuss recovery in the media.
- C. AoD-** The committee did not meet.

XIII. Old Business-

- A. MMH Proposal-** Director, David Browne asked that the Board consider the approval of the Peer Recovery Support (PRS) Services Program Proposal that was included in the Board packet. Mr. Browne shared that Memorial Health System seems to notice the value of offering peer services in-house and he would like to see this opportunity grow into a shadowing program. He also shared that Linda Sistrunk has been a key player in making this pilot program possible. Linda Sistrunk added that she has seen a significant positive change toward mental health centered care since offering PRS services and every dollar will go toward the full-time position including all benefits. The Board held a discussion on logistics of the pilot program.

Motion #54.2020

It was moved and seconded (Eric Johnston, Eric Fowler) to approve the Peer Recovery Support Services Program Proposal in the amount of \$52,000 to support a full time Peer Recovery Support position with Memorial Health System. The motion passed with the following votes:

Barnhouse	Beardmore	Fowler	Hall	Johnston	Knab	Nicholas	Pridgeon	Raney	Schwendeman	Touschner	White
Y	Y	Y		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	

- B. Rescind Motion-** Mr. Browne shared that the FY 21 Life and Purpose Behavioral Health contract was placed on the agenda twice this year. Dr. Raney suggested that the Board create a contract schedule in the future.

Motion #55.2020

It was moved and seconded (Eric Fowler, Brett Nicholas) to rescind motion number 50.2020 FY21 Life and Purpose Behavioral Health contract. The motion passed with the following votes:

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Barnhouse	Beardmore	Fowler	Hall	Johnston	Knab	Nicholas	Pridgeon	Raney	Schwendeman	Touschner	White
Y	Y	Y		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	

XIV. New Business

A. Oriana Contract- No discussion was held on the Oriana FY 2021 GOSH drawdown contract.

Motion #56.2020

It was moved and seconded (Eric Johnston, Eric Fowler) to approve the Oriana FY 2021 contract not to exceed \$150,000. The motion passed with the following votes:

Barnhouse	Beardmore	Fowler	Hall	Johnston	Knab	Nicholas	Pridgeon	Raney	Schwendeman	Touschner	White
Y	Y	Y		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	

B. Monthly Meeting Time- A suggestion was made to move the start time of the monthly Behavioral Health Board meeting from 7 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Motion #57.2020

It was moved and seconded (Laura Knab, Mike Beardmore) to move the monthly Behavioral Health Board meeting time from 7 p.m. to 6 p.m. The motion passed with the following votes:

Barnhouse	Beardmore	Fowler	Hall	Johnston	Knab	Nicholas	Pridgeon	Raney	Schwendeman	Touschner	White
N	Y	N		N	Y	A	Y	Y	N	Y	

C. WTAP 2021 Contract- The 2021 WTAP digital marketing contract was discussed during the December Community Relations Committee meeting. There was no additional discussion held.

Motion #58.2020

It was moved and seconded (Eric Johnston, Brett Nicholas) to approve the 2021 WTAP digital marketing campaign renewal contract not to exceed \$15,000. The motion passed with the following votes:

Barnhouse	Beardmore	Fowler	Hall	Johnston	Knab	Nicholas	Pridgeon	Raney	Schwendeman	Touschner	White
Technical Difficulties	Y	Y		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	

XV. Good of the Order

A brief discussion was held between community member, Mark Weihl, and members of the Board in regards to what avenues of marketing are utilized, and if the Board receives reports on the return on investments.

Dr. Pridgeon made a recommendation that staff submit suggested motions to Board members for consideration prior to the full Board meeting.

Larry Schwendeman wished all a very Merry Christmas!

XVI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

Next Meeting:

January 28, 2021

When: Jan 28, 2021 06:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Topic: January Washington County Behavioral Health Board Meeting

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**Respectfully Submitted,
Tara Plaugher**

Board President Signature