

Fairfield County ADAMH Board

Minutes of the February 22, 2010, Board meeting held at 6:30 p.m. at the Board office pursuant to notice mailed to all Board members.

Chairman Walker called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. with a quorum being present.

ROLL CALL PRESENT

Cindy Bender, Tom Feisel, John Hoag, Ph.D., Pat Marshall, Robert Masone, M.D., Eric Walker, Bill Weimer.

ABSENT

Tom Alexander, Jay Bahnsen, Gene Eusanio, Phillip Prior, M.D..

STAFF

Rhonda Myers, Don Mohler, Lynn Porter, Nadine Carroll.

GUESTS

Tony Motta, Esther Branscome, Patricia Waits, Trisha Saunders, Darlean Cummings, Angela Garrett, Stephen Gahn, Brad Hedges, Lisa DeGeeter, Suzanne Pelletier-Capitini.

Chairman Walker asked the audience to introduce themselves and if they had any questions or comments.

Interim Director Myers introduced Angela Garrett, Executive Director and Darlene Cummins of PATCH. They explained that they are in the process of establishing a 501C3 to keep kids in school. They started in Pickerington and are attempting to get different groups to work together to strengthen families and keep at-risk kids in school. They have 4 different programs but they all involve helping children that are dealing with drugs, violence so they can stay in school. They have a seven member board that meets the 4th Thursday of every month

Chairman Walker asked if there were any additions or corrections to the October Board minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 2-22-11-1

Be it resolved upon motion by T. Feisel and second by P. Marshall to approve the January minutes. Motion was unanimously approved.

Don Mohler presented the January financials. On the revenue summary page, the Board had a very good month for receipts. The Board received the Medicaid FFP from ODMH and ODADAS (\$389,529.07), American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA – Federal Stimulus Money (\$52,648.62)), the 3d quarter allocation from ODMH (\$469,087.00) and ODADAS (\$98,470.00) and the draw down of ODADAS Federal Funds (\$160,933.00) for July through October expenses. On the expense summary page, the Board had a below average month for expenditures. Due to the delay in getting approved purchase orders, the Board only paid in county providers and no out of

county providers. The out of county providers will be paid in the month of February. With a monthly beginning balance of \$611,665.15, receipts of \$1,246,874.94, expenses of \$601,720.20, leaves a month ending cash balance of \$1,256,819.89.

RESOLUTION NO. 2-22-11-2

Be it resolved upon motion by Dr. Masone and second by C. Bender to approve the January financials. Motion was unanimously approved.

Finance Committee - ID Myers stated that Dr. Masone is chairing this committee that has been charged with recommending what to do with additional funds from the state that are not yet allocated and the upcoming funding cycle. This will fit in nicely with the policy committee's work. Other committee members are P. Marshall and T. Alexander but Dr. Masone recommends adding another member. Dr. Masone stated that the committee reviewed requests from Lighthouse, New Horizons, FMHCG, Information and Referral, and Ohio NAMI.

- Lighthouse requested \$10,000 for a program to teach young girls about proper relationships. The committee also decided to give Lighthouse the remainder of unallocated funds in the amount \$1,299.30. This was recommended for approval.
- New Horizons continues to exceed their non-Medicaid line item due to the seriously ill population. This was recommended for approval for \$50,000.00.
- NAMI requested \$5,000 for operations. This is not good enough, they need to see the budget and details and need to show fiscal responsibility. This was not recommended for approval.
- FMHCG requested funds for conference and strategic planning. This was recommended for approval of \$4,401.
- Information & Referral needs funds (\$1,500) to get their insurance coverage up to contract specifications. This was not recommended for approval.

ID Myers told the board that we are required to send a 120-day letter (120 days prior to contract expiration) if there are to be changes in the contract. The letter needs to let the agencies know that there will be a reduction in funds. We won't say a specific amount because we won't know that until July. The committee asked about the liability to say "not going to give 90 days notice". She checked with Frank Hickman. Frank was out of town but one of his associates indicated we can do that but agencies need some way to transition clients. ID Myers reported that she met with agency directors last week and they need time to transition clients, we could move it down to fewer days. Brad commented that they have about 45 days reserve so a mechanism is needed to make that transition. Tony noted that they need the 90 days so they can close out in a clinically sensitive manner. Rhonda agreed that 90 days would be best but the board would need to up its reserve so we can do that. Dr. Masone said that 90 days would be nice but we can't even meet our own policy to have two months of reserves. The 2012 contracts can be redone for a 60-day clause but could do more than 60 days if we have the ability. Brad stated that they would have to increase their unit rate to build their reserve so they can do the 60 days. Dr. Masone pointed out that 45 days and 60 days total to 105. Dr. Hoag wondered that since there is so much uncertainty, can we wait until the budget numbers are released on March 15th so we can make a more informed decision. T. Feisel asked if we can say "no less than 60, no more than 90"? Dr. Masone stated why give an option for them to hold us to something we can't afford. Dr. Hoag said we could do a 120-day letter, then meet again after more realistic numbers come out. T. Feisel recommended doing the 120-day letter with a 60-day statement.

RESOLUTION NO. 2-22-11-3

**Be it resolved upon motion by Dr. Masone and second by P. Marshall to reduce our commitment to 60 days, notifying the agencies with a 120-day letter. Motion was approved.
Dr. Hoag, nay.**

RESOLUTION NO. 2-22-11-4

Be it resolved upon motion by Finance Committee and second by B. Weimer to approve allocating \$50,000 to New Horizons and \$11,299.30 to Lighthouse out of the \$60,000 unallocated funds. Motion was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 2-22-11-5

Be it resolved upon motion by Finance Committee and second by B. Weimer to approve allocating \$50,000 to New Horizons and \$11,299.30 to Lighthouse out of unallocated funds. Motion was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 2-22-11-6

Be it resolved upon motion by Finance Committee and second by B. Weimer to approve FMHCG's request for \$4,401.70. Motion was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 2-22-11-7

Be it resolved upon motion by Finance Committee and second by B. Weimer to not approve Information and Referral's request for \$1,500.00 for insurance coverage. Motion was unanimously approved.

Policy Committee – C. Bender is chairing and the other members, G. Eusanio and Dr. Prior are meeting on March 3rd to consider policy from Dr. Gillette's training on January 29th.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Lynn Porter presented the bed day report. She stated that this includes the bed days for January. She pointed out that so far we have used 1,044 bed days but we only bought 700. We do have a "cushion" of 250 when it comes to repayment but once we pass that cushion we go back to 700 for repayment purposes. She reviewed emergency services statistics and 85 were evaluated and 46 admitted (54 percent). 26 of the 46 went to Six North at FMC, 8 went to Athens and others went to other hospitals. The Board paid for 6 clients at Six North, the 8 went to Athens and 2 had insurance. 27 that were evaluated were positive for drugs and/or alcohol, which is pretty high. Board staff will be looking at options to keep people in the community. Dr. Masone asked how many days were used by admission. Lynn stated that New Horizons is working diligently to come up with options but there aren't many out there. Chairman Walker asked if those numbers could be projected. Lynn said that there were very few admissions in February but length of stay is still an issue when people don't have anywhere to go after discharge. B. Weimer asked how the homeless shelter can say no to people. Patricia Waits stated that the homeless shelter is privately owned and they can say no to anyone. Lynn said that they take plenty of our folks but sometimes people don't follow their rules so they don't let them back in. Patricia agreed saying that if Lutheran Social

Services turn people away from the shelter it's because of something they have done. Lynn pointed out that solutions will not be cheap and we are already talking about cutting funds. She added that she will update board members at the next meeting.

ID Myers stated that she updated the Finance Committee on this fast moving issue. ODMH and ODADAS have been offered \$33 million that ODRS couldn't spend because they didn't have enough match funds. This translates to about \$330,000 as our share if we can come up with match. The match has to be non-Medicaid funds. There was a conference call with Governor Kasich, Tracy, the ODMH Director, and Orman today. They want Boards to have emergency meetings to approve participating in these funds but they need to give us more information before we can make a decision.

ID Myers said that P. Marshall mentioned visiting agencies. The agency directors are very open about this, just call to make an appointment. She stated she would send out contact information in an email.

B. Weimer noted that the Search Committee has been reviewing a lot of different documents and samples and is working on compiling a job description and ad.

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION NO. 2-22-11-8

Be it resolved, upon motion by B. Weimer and seconded by T. Feisel to adjourn the Board meeting. The motion was unanimously approved.

The Board meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Chair

Secretary