

Fairfield County ADAMH Board

Minutes of the December 1, 2009, 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, Gene Eusanio, Tom Feisel, Sheila Heath, Larry Miller, Ph.D., Phillip Prior, M.D., Marian Reitano, Eric Walker, Kevin West.

ABSENT

Jay Bahnsen, John Peden, Bill Weimer.

STAFF

Orman Hall, Don Mohler, Rhonda Myers, Nadine Carroll.

GUESTS

Patricia Waits, Trisha Saunders, Tom Alexander, Brad Hedges, Tony Motta.

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

Chairman Walker asked if there were any additions or corrections to the September Board minutes. Voting on board minutes will take place at the next meeting so everyone has more time to review.

Don Mohler presented the September financials. On the revenue summary page, the Board had a good month for receipts. The Board received Medicaid FFP from ODMH and ODADAS (\$284,338.19), American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA – Federal Stimulus Money (\$41,584.29), 2009 Levy (\$922,027.09) and 1st Quarter FY '10 Fairfield County Family, Adult & Children First Council (\$33,936.25). On the expense summary page, the Board had a below average month for expenditures. In addition to the “normal” expenditures for our contract agencies, the Board reimbursed The Recovery Center for the cost of personnel attending a drug court conference (\$20,285.26), the county fees for levy collection (\$14,317.00) and the second of three payments for the Board’s commitment for the county’s MUNIS software program (\$8,400.00). With a monthly beginning balance of \$61,268.42, receipts of \$1,286,181.81, expenses of \$696,727.13, leaves a month ending cash balance of \$650,723.10. The Recovery Center’s expense budget amounts for FY '10 have not been received as of the printing of the financials.

RESOLUTION NO. 12-1-09-1

Be it resolved upon motion by T. Feisel and second by Dr. Prior to approve the September financials. Motion was unanimously approved.

Don Mohler presented the October financials. On the revenue summary page, the Board had a good month for receipts. The Board received the Medicaid FFP from ODMH and ODADAS (\$559,818.79), American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA – Federal Stimulus Money (\$16,773.80), 2009 Levy (\$133,565.36) and 2nd Quarter FY '10 allocation from ODMH (\$406,301.00) and ODADAS (\$77,016.00). On the expense summary page, the Board had a below average month for expenditures. In addition to the “normal” expenditures for our contract agencies, the Board paid for the FY '09 audits for The Lighthouse, Fairfield Mental Health Consumer Group and the Mid-Ohio Psychological Services (\$19,680.00) and the balance of the cost of the video production (\$12,500.00). With a monthly beginning balance of \$650,723.10, receipts of \$1,202,280.62, expenses of \$725,930.96, leaves a month ending cash balance of \$1,127,072.76. The Recovery Center's expense budget amounts for FY '10 have not been received as of the printing of the financials. The allocation amounts are inserted for the budget figures.

RESOLUTION NO. 12-1-09-2

Be it resolved upon motion by Dr. Miller and second by K. West to approve the October financials. Motion was unanimously approved.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Rhonda distributed results of the Client Satisfaction Survey. She stated that the aggregate Fairfield County Behavioral Healthcare System respondent domain scores continue to beat the U.S. scores for adult satisfaction. (Adult domain scores indicated on the handout include Access, Quality/Appropriateness, Outcomes, Treatment Planning, and General Satisfaction. Children/Family and Youth domains are the same with one exception: Cultural Sensitivity is measured in lieu of Quality/Appropriateness.) She indicated aggregate youth respondent survey domain scores also exceeded U.S. scores as did Children/Family, with the exception of Outcomes for the latter group of respondents. The scores also continue to run above the other PPS boards on all areas. Yet, the agencies and Board continue to try and improve these results. The agencies and Board are committed to the process started three years ago. We just learned that ODMH is starting to use this form so we will have state comparative data in 2010. Director Hall added that our agencies do a better than average job with scarce resources.

Director Hall stated he has a draft document on the two part opiate summit. On November 5th, Dr. Prior did training for some of the medical staff at Fairfield Medical Center on how to prescribe opiates more responsibly by using the OARRS system. There were about 60 in attendance. Afterwards there was a community leader summit with over 100 people in attendance although only 60 invitations were sent. There was a great response to the documentary. The Ohio Department of Health will be showing the documentary during its plenary session also. Chairman Walker asked who is on the task force steering committee and if it is permanent or does it have a limited life span. Director Hall stated that himself, Trisha Saunders, Rick Szabrak, Mina Ubbing, Lou Varga, Chief Dave Bailey, Sheriff Dave Phalen and Becky Edwards. He added that he's not sure of the life span. Dr. Prior stated probably a long time, as this problem isn't going to go away quickly. Director Hall added that Fairfield County has a better understanding than most in the state but there is still a lot of work and not much in the way of funding. Trisha noted there is a far greater need than there is funding because there are over 200 people on a six-month waiting list and the agency is already short staffed. K. West asked if there were stimulus funds available to help with this. Director Hall said there is no line item for this from the state; the funding for this service comes from our discretionary dollars. He added that political advocacy at the state level may be as important as community education. M. Reitano said that she thought the summit was quite impressive and we should've asked for funds at that time. Director Hall said that the Pelatona Bike Ride

raised a lot of funds last year for the James Cancer hospital and they are interested in helping with our funding.

Chairman Walker asked if the update including Pickerington was finished. It sounds almost like Fairfield County is a nexus for heroin. Dr. Prior stated that Fairfield County is not unique in its numbers as there were 20 overdoses in Ross County last year but it is unique in doing something about it and in a very focused way. Director Hall stated that a lot of overdoses are labeled as other things. Dr. Prior said that the ruling it depends on the coroner. The Ross County coroner is on top of things. M. Reitano asked about the jail vs. rehab issue. Director Hall said there are several discussions ongoing about a day reporting center. Our jail census has exploded and they now house about 200 every day. The County Commissioners spend about \$1 million annually to house prisoners in out-of-county jails. Addicts account for 52 percent of this amount and we keep putting the same people in jail over and over. We want to track repeat opiate offenders and need to convince judges of this. The commissioners want judges committed to using a day reporting center before they will support it.

Orman presented the detailed financial report. This one is based on the October financials. We are one percent over budget or about \$100,000. Points one through nine are what are driving our financial issues. Mid-Ohio (#5) should balance out. New Horizons (#6), is under on Medicaid and over on Non-Medicaid. We don't have to pay overage on non-Medicaid though. Tony added that it is not a large variance and it is due to attracting new clients at the E. Main street facility, a lot of those folks are not Medicaid eligible. Out of County (#7) was budgeted for at last year's actual expense levels and is very hard to forecast. Personnel (#8) was budgeted for an earlier layoff of personnel but we couldn't accomplish the layoff that quickly so we are slightly over budget. The Recovery Center (#9) we are still working on budget issues, the overwhelming demand is driving a lot of over-billing. K. West stated this is a good piece of work.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Walker told the Board that this is the last official meeting for two of our board members.

Director Hall stated that Dr. Miller has been a quiet leader on the board and has spearheaded working with the county superintendents on the youth survey. We now survey all 10th and 12 graders in the public schools. He added that he has really appreciated his support and help getting this done. His presence will be missed. Dr. Miller stated that we had no funds to work with so we worked hard to pass levies and when we finally passed it the economy collapsed. He stated he has the utmost respect for the agencies and has even enjoyed working with Orman.

Director Hall stated he has appreciated M. Reitano's assertiveness and directness. He also really appreciated her leadership in Pickerington and the work she did was pivotal in passing the levy and recruiting other members.

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION NO. 12-1-09-3

Be it resolved, upon motion by Dr. Miller and seconded by M. Reitano to adjourn the Board meeting. The motion was unanimously approved.

The Board meeting adjourned @ 7:20 p.m.

Chair

Secretary