

# WASHINGTON COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARD MEETING MINUTES

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Thursday, November 15~ 7:00 p.m.  
Washington County Behavioral Health Board  
344 Muskingum Drive, Marietta, OH 45750

## I. Call to Order, Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by President Karen Binkley.

## II. Pledge of Allegiance

## III. Welcome and Introductions

### Present

Stacey Adams  
Cindy Arnold  
Jarrett Barnhouse  
Michael Beardmore  
Karen Binkley, Ed. D.  
Larry Hall  
Eric Johnston  
Brett Nicholas  
LeeAnn Price  
Charles Pridgeon, Ph. D.  
Jim Raney, Ph. D.  
Stephen Schwartz  
Larry Schwendeman  
Anthony Touschner  
David White

### Absent

Eric Fowler

### Staff

David Browne  
Hilles Hughes  
Miriam Keith  
Tara Plaughter

### Guests

Doreen Horn, EVE  
Mike Dennis, HoH  
Rick Walters, CC  
Christa Holman, Rigel  
Dick Wittberg, WCHD  
Doug Pfeifer, L&P  
Sherry Shamblin, Hopewell  
Miranda Collins  
Community Member

## IV. Public Statements

Two parents of students who attend St. Mary's School voiced their concerns on the interest shown by Oriana House on purchasing the Woman's Home on 3<sup>rd</sup> Street in Marietta. Miranda Collins suggested revisiting the Washington County Home as an alternative site to offer detox/residential treatment.

## V. County Commissioner, Rick Walters

To follow up on statements made by concerned parents of St. Mary's school students, Commissioner Walters, representative of the Washington County Board of Commissioners stated that the initial meeting regarding the Washington County Home as a site to provide

detox/residential treatment did not go well. Commissioner Walters now feels the Washington County Home would be a good fit for all, and he encouraged the Board to consider renegotiating.

Commissioner Walters asked Board attendees to raise their hand if their employer pays full medical benefits. Multiple members raised their hand. He then asked members to raise their hand if their employer pays 100% of their retirement contribution. Multiple members raised their hand. Commissioner Walters asked that the Board consider changing their current policy and regress to the 80/20 protocol other County employees receive.

#### **VI. Agenda Revisions**

The following revisions were made:

- Oath of Office:
  - New Business:
- VII.  
A. Board meeting location  
B. Training

#### **VII. Oath of Office**

Eric Johnston was sworn in as a member of the Washington County Behavioral Health Board.

#### **VIII. Approval of Minutes – October 25, 2018**

##### ***Motion #87, 2018***

**It was moved and seconded (Stacey Adams, Dr. Pridgeon)** to approve the minutes of the October 25, 2018 Board meeting. The motion to approve the October 2018 minutes passed with three abstentions, Eric Fowler, Cindy Arnold, and LeeAnn Price, who were not present at the October 2018 meeting.

#### **IX. Treasurer's Report**

Dr. Raney commended David Browne for the new layout of the Treasurer's Report and the ease of reading. Dr. Raney would like to see the projected 2019 budget stay under the expected incoming funding.

**Motion #88, 2018**

It was moved and seconded (Larry Schwendeman, Stacey Adams) to approve the Treasurer's report with a unanimous roll call vote.

**X. Director's Report**

David Browne provided Board members with an updated ASAM (American Society of Addiction Medicine) level of care sheet, he asked that members become familiar with the information to better understand services that will be offered at the residential treatment/detox facility that Oriana House is in the process of opening in Washington County. The occupancy permit may not be grandfathered over to Oriana House due to the change in level of care provided to clients in the facility.

Executive Director of Washington/Morgan Community Action, David Brightbill is willing to work with the Washington County Behavioral Health Board on expanding current SAMI (Substance Abuse and Mental Illness) housing on Cisler Drive. Once construction is completed Mr. Brightbill would like to consider leasing out the units to a provider.

**XI. Deputy Director's Report**

Hilles Hughes stated that she plans to attend a Good Samaritan law training in Columbus, OH on November 16, 2018.

**XII. Prevention and Recovery Advocate**

The next Crisis Response Team meeting will be held on November 29<sup>th</sup> at 4 p.m. at the Washington County Behavioral Health Board office. National Organization of Victim Assistance (NOVA) training is expected to take place in February 2019.

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

**XIII. Agency Reports**

- A. House of Hope** – Mike Dennis was proud to announce that the House of Hope has obtained an occupancy permit and all inspections have been passed. Washington County Commissioners agreed to donate a van from the County Home to the House of Hope. Mr. Dennis mentioned they are looking for new members to fill the available seats for the House of Hope Board. The annual Thanksgiving lunch will take place on November 20, 2018; all Behavioral Health Board members were invited to attend.
- B. The Right Path** – No updates offered
- C. Life & Purpose** – Doug Pfeifer stated that Life & Purpose Behavioral Health plan to hire a trained peer recovery supporter.

Miriam Keith mentioned the positive feedback shared by Belpre Superintendent Tony Dunn in regards to the SOAR day treatment program that Life and Purpose provided to Belpre elementary school children during the 2017-18 school year.

- D. EVE, Incorporated** – Doreen Horn shared the EVE report with attendees. Prevention services are now being offered in Waterford schools. Still waiting for a response from Principal, Beth Brown before beginning prevention services for the Frontier school district.
- E. Oriana House-** Oriana staff sent their “thanks” for the Motivational Interviewing Training that was sponsored by the Washington County Behavioral Health board.
- F. Hopewell Health-** The REACH program held an open house.

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#### **XIV. Committee Reports**

- A. Program Planning & Oversight** – Stephen Schwartz shared that the final Section E of the Board Self-Evaluation/Questionnaire overview showed a lack of chair authority.  
Dr. Raney stated that the Bylaws and Standing Rules and Procedures will be evaluated starting in 2019. The current evaluating committee consists of President Binkley, Dr. Pridgeon, Dr. Raney, and Brett Nicholas.

**The next PP&OC is scheduled for Tuesday, January 8, 2019, 6-8 p.m.**

- B. Public Information and Education** – Brett Nicholas stated that Stephen Schwartz will be the next author of a Behavioral Health Matters article based on spirituality and recovery that will be submitted for publication in the Marietta Times.
- C. Personnel** – Nothing offered.
- D. AoD-** The committee would like to take on the responsibility of leading the Recovery Day event. The next meeting is scheduled for February.

#### **XV. Old Business**

- A. Administrative Assistant Job Description-**

**Motion #89, 2018**

**It was moved and seconded (Dr. Raney, Brett Nicholas)** bring tabled motion #80 up for further discussion. The motion to further discuss the Administrative Assistant position description passed with a unanimous “yes” roll call vote.

During a review of the current position description during a Program Planning and Oversight Committee meeting it was recommended to make an amendment to page 2 of the document under minimum qualification, license and other requirements.

**Motion #90, 2018**

**It was moved and seconded (Dr. Raney, Eric Johnston)** to amend the current Administrative Assistant position description, page 2, Minimum Qualifications under Licenses and other requirements, strike out “typing/keyboarding certificate for a net, corrected speed of.... And replace with “must be able to demonstrate typing and basic computer skills. The motion to amend the current Administrative Assistant position description passed with a unanimous “yes” roll call vote.

**Motion #91, 2018**

**It was moved and seconded (Dr. Raney, Tony Tuschner)** to pass the amended Administrative Assistant position description. The motion to pass the amended Administrative Assistant position description passed with a unanimous roll call vote.

**XVI. New Business**

**A. Board meeting location-** David Browne stated that Gold Star park facility may be available as an alternative site for the monthly board meetings allowing additional space for guests. Washington County Health Commissioner Dick Wittberg offered the newly remodeled health department conference room as an alternative meeting space.

After a short discussion attendees agreed that staying close to the Board office space would be easier for Board staff.

**Motion #92, 2018**

**It was moved and seconded (Dr. Raney, David White)** to hold the next scheduled Behavioral Health Board (BHB) meeting on December 13 at the Washington County Health Department conference room located at 342 Muskingum Drive, Marietta, OH 45750. The motion to hold the next scheduled BHB meeting at the Health Department conference room passed with a unanimous “yes” voice vote.

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- B. Training-** Members discussed possible dates available for a Board training event with Christina Shaynak-Diaz. David Browne will contact the presenter to see if additional dates are available during the week of February 12-19, 2019. Stacie Adams asked if CEU's would be available for the training to members who qualify.

**XVII. Good of the Order**

As a reply to County Commissioner, Rick Walters request, Dr. Raney would like to submit a public information request to other local county offices.

**Motion #93, 2018**

**It was moved and seconded (Dr. Raney, Tony Touschner)** to authorize the Executive Director to request public information from other county offices for benefits received by employees.

After a short discussion, it was decided to submit a request by the Behavioral Health Board Executive Director, and President.

**Dr. Raney withdrew motion #93.**

**Motion#94, 2018**

**It was moved and seconded (Dr. Raney, Stacey Adams)** to draft a letter requesting public information from other county offices in regards to benefits received by county employees presented by the Washington County Behavioral Health Board Executive Director and President. The motion to send a request for public information passed with a unanimous "yes" roll call vote.

**XVIII. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:59 p.m.

**Next Meeting:**

**December 13, 2018**

**7:00 p.m. at the Washington County Behavioral Health Board  
344 Muskingum Drive, Marietta, Ohio 45750**

**Respectfully Submitted,  
Tara Plaugher**

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Board President Signature

