

WASHINGTON COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARD MEETING MINUTES

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Thursday, April 26, 2018 ~ 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 7:03 p.m. by Dr. Raney.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Welcome and Introductions

Present

Stacey Adams
Jarrett Barnhouse
Michael Beardmore
Eric Fowler
Brett Nicholas
Jim Raney, Ph. D.
Larry Schwendeman
Anthony Touschner
Charles Pridgeon, Ph. D.

Absent

Cindy Arnold
Bill Bauer
Larry Hall
Karen Binkley, Ed. D.
LeeAnn Price
Jack Van Kuiken
David White

Staff

David Browne
Brent Phipps
Miriam Keith
Tara Plaughter

Guests

Tammy Harris- PAX
Doreen Horn- EVE Inc.
Derric Huck- Life & Purpose
Four representatives of the HoH
Ted Williams
Deanna Chambers
Jodie Kolher
Sherry Shamblin
Jennifer Turnes- Oriana

IV. Public Statement

Sherry Shamblin, Chief Strategy officer spoke on behalf of Hopewell Health Center, stating that Hopewell would like to become more active in the community. The Hopewell Health Center is located in Belpre, Ohio, offering child and family based programs.

V. Agenda Revisions

The following revisions were made:

Old Business: A. House of Hope Lease

New Business: A. Suicide Awareness Alliance Funds

B. EVE, Inc. Supervised Visitation

Personnel Committee: Relocated to XVI. After Good of the Order

VI. Approval of Minutes – March 22, 2018

Motion #20 , 2018

It was moved and seconded (Brett Nicholas, Larry Schwendeman) to approve the minutes of the March 22, 2018 Board meeting. The motion passed with a unanimous roll call vote.

VII. Treasurer’s Report

Motion #21 , 2018

Mr. Browne asked that members refer to page eight of the treasurer’s report that shows a breakdown of Washington County Commissioner fees that have been removed from Levy funds.

It was moved and seconded (Anthony Tuschner, Brett Nicholas) to approve the Treasurer’s report. The motion passed with a unanimous “yes” roll call vote.

VIII. Director’s Report

Mr. Browne referred to his report (Section III.) that the expected costs of the local withdrawal management center has changed to \$206,000 to accommodate additional parking, handicap accessibility, a nursing station, and separate men/women restrooms.

(Section V.) The proposal that was approved for Trauma Informed Schools did not include cost for books; the additional cost for literature is expected to be \$8,000-\$10,000.

IX. Deputy Director’s Report

Mr. Browne introduced Brent Phipps as the new Deputy Director of the Washington County Behavioral Health Board.

Mr. Phipps has scheduled a meeting with Oriana staff to discuss a possible residential treatment facility for Washington County.

X. Community Recovery Advocate

Miriam Keith continues preparations for the upcoming week long Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Training.

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

XI. Agency Reports

- A. House of Hope** – There are currently twenty House of Hope members. Deanna Chambers disclosed that the House of Hope has not paid into the

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Unemployment Department, therefore Miss Chambers has decided not to resign from her position at the House of Hope.

- B. The Right Path** – The annual Fish Fry will be held on May 25 at the VFW (319 Pike Street, Marietta, Ohio).
- C. Life & Purpose** – Derrick Huck stated that Day Treatment attendance continues to rise. The Walk in Clinic is averaging 1 individual seeking services daily.
Once information is available; Board members will receive notification on the upcoming Trauma Informed Care Training.
- D. EVE, Incorporated** – Doreen Horn informed members that the prevention program has wrapped up for the 2017/2018 school year. EVE Prevention services will continue at the Boys and Girls Club and dances hosted by The Right Path of Washington County during the summer break.
- E. Oriana House-** Jennifer Turnes shared that recruitment continues for counselors to fill open positions at Rigel. The Vivitrol program started this week. Coda Click will be attending monthly Behavioral Health Board meetings in the future. Miss Turnes will be transferring from her current position; Eric Brockmeier is expected to fill her position.

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XII. Committee Reports

- A. Program Planning & Oversight Committee** – Dr. Raney stated that the committee continues to review RFPs (Request for Proposals) as they are received. A proposal was received from Oriana that will be discussed at the next scheduled Tuesday meeting. The committee will be offering three recommendations to the Board.
- B. Public Information and Education Committee** – Brett Nicholas reminded attendees that the article he authored regarding stigma will be published in the Marietta Times the first week of May.
- C. Budget & Finance Committee-** Mr. Browne updated members that a meeting with the Washington County Commissioners to discuss the projected 5 year Levy plan has been postponed until June, 2018.
- D. Personnel Committee** – See XVI.

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E. CIT Committee (Ad Hoc) – The week long training is scheduled for May 7-11. Miriam Keith extended an invitation to Board members to stop by and observe.

F. AoD (Ad Hoc) – Eric Fowler explained to attendees that the committee is looking in to a new model to follow for the Oxford House. Shifting gears could lead to an Enhanced Residential Treatment facility.

Brent Phipps mentioned the June 1 Mental Health/AoD Provider meeting that could help with recruiting a provider that would offer this service to Washington County.

XIII. Old Business

A. House of Hope Lease- Mike Beardmore made a request to authorize the Executive Director to accept a 5-year lease from the Board of Washington County Commissioners on the premises occupied by the House of Hope.

Motion#22, 2018

It was moved and seconded (Mike Beardmore, Stacey Adams) to enter a five year lease with the Washington County Commissioners on the premises occupied by the House of Hope. The motion passed with a unanimous “yes” roll call vote.

XIV. New Business

A. Suicide Awareness Alliance Funds- Mike Beardmore recommended to add \$3,000 to the Suicide Awareness Alliance of Washington County annual operating funds to enabling both the HOPE (Helping Other People Endure), and the LOSS (Local Outreach to Suicide Survivors) projects.

Motion#23, 2018

It was moved and seconded (Mike Beardmore, Eric Fowler) to add \$3,000 to the Suicide Awareness Alliance of Washington County annual operating funds, \$1,500 for each HOPE and LOSS projects. The motion passed with a unanimous “yes” roll call vote.

B. EVE, Inc. Supervised Visitation- Mike Beardmore suggested to provide \$10,000 in grant funding to EVE, Inc. for the Washington County Supervised Visitation and Safe Exchange Center during the period of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

Eric Fowler expressed his feelings on how important the program is to the community.

Motion#24, 2018

It was moved and seconded (Mike Beardmore, Eric Fowler) to provide \$10,000 in grant funding to EVE, Inc. for the Washington County Supervised Visitation and Safe Exchange Center during July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019. The motion passed unanimously.

C. PAX Good Behavior- Tammy Harris updated the Board on progress of the PAX program in Washington County Schools. This is a set of classroom strategies and tools teachers can implement during their normal school instruction day that teaches students' self-regulation, self-control and self-management therefore reducing re-traumatization of children exposed to harsh faces, voices, coercion, and perceived threats from others. It prevents future trauma and provides peace, productivity, health and happiness in the classroom. Numerous teachers are implementing and many more plan to implement the PAX program for the 2018-2019 school year. There are currently 105 teachers trained (25 trained by the Cures Grant regionally in the state of Ohio and 80 trained locally in Feb 2018 thanks to funding provided by the Washington County Behavioral Health Board.) She currently has another 100 on a waiting list interested in PAX teacher training. Each training class has a ratio of 40:1 (teacher/trainer). To train 80 interested educators locally would cost an estimated \$29,920; that would include two trainers and teacher kits. She requested \$30,000 from the Board to fund the August 8, 2018 training.

In addition she discussed the importance of having PAX Partners trained in the near future. This would be a staff member from each elementary school already trained as a PAX teacher that would respectfully assist teachers with implementation of the program. This is a vital role to keep PAX sustainable in the schools and requires an additional two day training. In the near future this process will be coordinated and funding requested to assure teachers have support with the PAX program.

David Browne asked that members refer to page 1 of the budget that shows an available balance of \$24,800 allotted for Evidence Based Prevention.

Motion#25, 2018

It was moved and seconded (Brett Nicholas, Tony Tuschner) to provide \$30,000 that would fund PAX Good Behavior Training for 80 teachers. The motion passed with a unanimous roll call vote.

D. (211) Information Line- The Information Line offers a 24 hour call line with trained professionals providing service references to members of Washington County. Mr.

Browne requested a motion be made to provide the yearly operational cost of \$3,000.

Motion#26, 2018

It was moved and seconded (Tony Tuschner, Larry Schwendeman) to fund the yearly operational cost of \$3,000 for the (211) Information Line. The motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

XV. Good of the Order

Mr. Beardmore read a Proclamation recognizing Tara Plaugher as an asset to the Board.

XVI. Personnel Committee

The Board went into Executive Session at 8:42 p.m. and reassembled at 9:00 p.m.

Motion #27, 2018

On behalf of the Personnel Committee, **it was moved and seconded (Chas Pridgeon/Larry Schwendeman)** to recommend the salary of the Executive Director be set at \$82,125 per year, a 9.5% raise, beginning July 1, 2018. The motion passed unanimously in a roll call vote.

Motion #28, 2018

On behalf of the Personnel Committee, **it was moved and seconded (Chas Pridgeon/Larry Schwendeman)** to recommend the pay of the Prevention and Recovery Advocate be set at \$47,633 per year, a 9.5% raise, beginning July 1, 2018. The motion passed unanimously in a roll call vote.

XVII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Next Meeting:

May 24, 2018

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

Respectfully Submitted,
Tara Plaugher

Board President Signature