



WASHINGTON COUNTY
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARD

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Thursday, October 24~ 7:00 p.m.
Washington County Behavioral Health Board Office
1115 Gilman Avenue, Marietta, OH 45750

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

Stacey Adams
Michael Beardmore
Karen Binkley, Ed. D.
Eric Fowler
Larry Hall
Brett Nicholas
Charles Pridgeon, Ph. D.
Jim Raney, Ph. D.
Stephen Schwartz
Anthony Touschner
David White
Eric Johnston

Absent

Jarrett Barnhouse
Larry Schwendeman

Staff

David Browne
Hilles Hughes
Miriam Keith
Tara Plaughter

Guests

Candice Jeffers, RRRC
Tina Ullman, Ullman design
Mike Dennis, HoH
Aleisha Roberson, Compass
Dick Wittberg, CHIA
Eric Brockmeier, Oriana
Emily Canaday, VISTA
Michele Sturgeon, VISTA
Kate Davis, EVE, INC.
Sherri Shamblin, Hopewell
Janice McFarland, L&P

IV. Public Statements

There were no public statements offered.

V. Tina Ullman-WCBHB website

Tina Ullman has been working closely with staff at the Washington County Behavioral Health Board (WCBHB) to create a user friendly website. The new website (www.wcbhb.org) allows for easy navigation and offers active links to surrounding service providers. The page layout is responsive to laptop, cell phones, and tablets. The WCBHB plan to use the website to promote local events, keep in touch with the community, and share resources. Analytics of the site will be reviewed regularly.

VI. Land of Goshen- Brandi's Legacy

The presentation was rescheduled for the November meeting.

VII. Oath of Office- Larry Hall was sworn in as a member of the Washington County Behavioral Health Board.

VIII. Agenda Revisions

There were no revisions offered.

Approval of Minutes – September 26, 2019

Dr. Pridgeon complemented the BHB Administrative Assistant, Tara Plaughter, on an exemplary job of the minutes for the September meeting.

Motion # 70.2019

It was moved and seconded (Dr. Pridgeon, Brett Nicholas) to approve the minutes of the September 26, 2019 Board meeting. The motion passed with the following votes.

Adams	Barnhouse	Beardmore	Binkley	Fowler	Hall	Johnston	Nicholas	Pridgeon	Raney	Schwartz	Schwendeman	Touschner	White
Y		Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		Y	Y

Y= Yes N= No A= Abstain

IX. Treasurer’s Report

Treasurer, Mike Beardmore mentioned a minor error on page two of the report, the year should be changed from 2018 to 2019.

Motion # 71.2019

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

Adams	Barnhouse	Beardmore	Binkley	Fowler	Hall	Johnston	Nicholas	Pridgeon	Raney	Schwartz	Schwendeman	Touschner	White
Y		Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		Y	Y

X. Director’s Report

In addition to the report, Executive Director David Browne shared that Oriana House has decided to appeal the ruling to file for a “special use” permit.

XI. Deputy Director’s Report

Hilles Hughes stated that both WCBHB VISTA staff, Emily Canaday and Michele Sturgeon, attended the two day Recovery Conference in Columbus and brought back a plethora of information. The WCBHB annual report is well on its way and many new updates are being incorporated to the layout. During employment at Marietta College, Hilles Hughes was an active member of a committee that initiated an entrepreneurship program that offers

public meetings to discuss opportunities in the community. She attended a meeting on October 24 where Marietta College's entrepreneurship program hosted "Resiliency and Recovery," a one hour interactive presentation featuring Shay Dunn and Rich Walters with "From Prison to Purpose" and Patrice Pooler, Executive Director of the Mid-Ohio Valley Fellowship Home. The presenters shared how the programs are being utilized in the community and opened the floor to discuss ways to improve and expand the current programs. Tony Touschner mentioned how impressed he was with Deputy Director Hilles Hughes's hard work and interaction within the community.

XII. Prevention and Recovery Advocate

There is a total of twenty five individuals participating in the week long Peer Recovery Supporter (PRS) Training hosted by the WCBHB; fourteen are Washington County residents. During a lunch break on Wednesday, Certified PRS's from Washington County met with training PRS's to discuss initiating a Certified PRS Alliance in the area to share resources and job opportunities.

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

XIII. Agency Reports

- A. House of Hope** – Director of the House of Hope, Mike Dennis, is participating in the training to become a Certified Peer Recovery Supporter. The House of Hope and Marietta College will continue to collaborate on music and art activities for members at the House of Hope. Mike is working on submitting a grant to assist in purchasing drums.
- B. The Right Path** – Nothing added to the report.
- C. Life & Purpose** – Janice McFarland shared that Life and Purpose Behavioral Health plans to expand tele-health services by contracting with a psychiatrist that will offer psychiatry treatment one day a week in the school districts. Life and Purpose is currently offering services at six of the seven school districts in Washington County.

Life and Purpose Community Resource Center renovations continue.
- D. EVE, Incorporated** – Prevention Specialist Kate Davis shared that prevention services are focusing on promoting the National Family Partnerships "Red Ribbon Week" (October 23-31), an alcohol, tobacco and other drugs, and violence prevention awareness campaign. One hundred and thirty children at Salem Liberty School have signed a Red Ribbon abstinence pledge.

- E. Oriana House-** Eric Brockmeier spoke on behalf of the Oriana Reserve center in Reno by sharing that the facility is running at full capacity with a large number of referrals coming in and a waiting list.

Alesiha Roberson spoke on behalf of the Compass Drug Court by sharing that the program has fifteen participants and starting to see an influx of referrals. One of the participants completed the online courses to take the Peer Recovery Supporter Training hosted by the Washington County Behavioral Health Board and has been accepted into the AmeriCorps program.

Candice Jeffers spoke on behalf of the Rigel Residential Recovery Center by sharing that services continue at the Third Street facility and neighbors have been friendly and remain supportive of the facility.

- F. Hopewell Health-** Sherri Shamblin stated that Hopewell Health is working with Brandi's Legacy to better serve prenatal clients. Hopewell Health is also collaborating with the Behavioral Health Board and CHIA (Community Health Improvement Agency) to assist in the AmeriCorp Peer Recovery Supporter Program.

On the utilization report, September shows one hundred fifty eight as the greatest number of days between the first appointment and offered second appointment date for mental health. Sherri stated the high number could possibly be a typo but plans to look into the matter and provide an update at the next Board meeting.

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XIV. Committee Reports

- A. Program Planning & Oversight** – Dr. Raney reported that during the October 8 meeting the committee discussed the status of the 812 Third and Fifth street facilities, progress of the Life and Purpose Community Resource Center, and a possible collaboration with leadership students at Marietta College on class projects. The committee also discussed the need for a grant writing and management capability for the WCBHB. The next meeting is scheduled for November 12 at the Board office starting at 3 p.m.
- B. Community Relations** – Eric Johnston shared that a social media workshop will be held at the Board office to go over the new WCBHB website and the Recovery Is Beautiful Facebook page. The Community Relations Committee meeting is scheduled for November 12 starting at 6 p.m. The committee is working on a social media budget to present at the next full WCBHB meeting.

- C. **AoD-** The committee met prior to the full Board meeting to discuss the outcome of the 2019 Recovery Day and ways to increase attendance of the 2020 Recovery Day. Stacie Adams shared that the committee would like to have a keynote speaker for the event, possibly author of the book “*Dreamland: The True Tale of America's Opiate Epidemic,*” Sam Quinones.

XV. Old Business

- A. **CHIA- AmeriCorp update-** Dr. Wittberg shared that there is one AmeriCorp member enrolled in the Peer Recovery Supporter week-long training and two other Washington County residents who are taking the training that are interested in becoming an AmeriCorp member and participating in the Peer Recovery Supporter CHIA program.

XVI. New Business

- A. **November/December BHB meeting dates-** Board members discussed possible alternate dates for the November and December WCBHB meetings. The Board was in agreement to change the November meeting date to the 21th to accommodate the holiday. Board members will discuss if there is a need to hold a meeting in December during the November Board meeting.

- B. **Annual Board Training Topics-** Topics that were offered for consideration:

- Employment
- Mental Health First Aid
- Roberts Rule of Order
- Trauma Informed Care
- Recovery Housing

During the open discussion, it was suggested to include all Opioid HUB, and sub-committee meeting minutes to the Board packet to keep members updated on progress of the Opioid HUB. Board members will further discuss training topics at the November Board meeting.

XVII. Good of the Order

The Washington/Morgan County Community Action summer socio-emotional learning program proposal was approved in April of 2019, a brief outcome of the program was shared in the Board packet.

Hilles Hughes invited attendees to enjoy some non-alcoholic Champaign to celebrate the reveal of the new website and the continued hard work of the Board.

XVIII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Next Meeting:

November 21, 2019

**7:00 p.m. at the Washington County Behavioral Health Board
1115 Gilman Avenue, Marietta, Ohio 45750**

**Respectfully Submitted,
Tara Plaugher**

Board President Signature