

WASHINGTON COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARD MEETING MINUTES

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Thursday, May 23~ 7:00 p.m.

Washington County Behavioral Health Board Office
344 Muskingum Drive, Marietta, OH 45750

I. Call to Order, Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 6:58 p.m. by Vice President, Brett Nicholas.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Welcome and Introductions

Present

Stacey Adams
Jarret Barnhouse
Michael Beardmore
Eric Fowler
Larry Hall
Brett Nicholas
Charles Pridgeon, Ph. D.
Jim Raney, Ph. D.
Stephen Schwartz
Larry Schwendeman
Anthony Touschner
David White

Absent

Karen Binkley, Ed. D

Staff

David Browne
Hilles Hughes
Miriam Keith
Tara Plaughter

Guests

Sherry Shamblin- Hopewell
Dr. Dick Wittberg- HD
Mike Dennis- HoH
Doreen Horn- EVE
Doug Pfeifer- Life&Purpose

IV. Public Statements

There were no public statements

V. Agenda Revisions

The following revisions were made to the agenda:

- Committee Reports
- New Business
- D. Nominating Committee
- A. Trauma Informed Schools - Year 2

VI. Approval of Minutes – April 25, 2019

Motion #32 .2019

It was moved and seconded (Stacey Adams, Tony Touschner) to approve the minutes of the April 25, 2019 Board meeting. The motion passed with the following votes.

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

Y= Yes N= No A= Abstain

VII. Treasurer’s Report

Dr. Raney asked for information pertaining to page 1 of the report, Miss Dayna Pitzer. Executive Director Browne stated that Miss Pitzer provides parenting classes twice per year held at the Juvenile Center. The Board provides reimbursement for services delivered by Miss Pitzer in the amount of \$50 per hour.

Motion #33. 2019

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

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

VIII. Director’s Report

The City of Marietta vs Oriana hearing is scheduled for June. Two clients currently participating in the “Compass” Drug Court program are also receiving services through the Rigel Recovery Center. Treasurer, Mike Beardmore, Deputy Director, Hilles Hughes, and Executive Director, David Browne attended a meeting with the Washington County Commissioners to discuss projected budgeting for the upcoming fiscal year.

IX. Deputy Director’s Report

Hilles Hughes shared that County Commissioners did make a request to see additional data showing outcomes of services provided to Washington County residents. The Library mental health awareness events have started. The first event was held at Belpre Public Library with Hopewell Health staff on May 22 and there will be an event hosted by Life and Purpose staff at the Marietta Public Library May 23. New Shelter Plus Care standards have been released restricting most input from the Board and local providers in regards to placement for dual diagnosis clients in transitional housing made available through Washington Morgan Community Action.

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X. **Prevention and Recovery Advocate**

The Right Path for Washington County will have their annual Fish Fry fund raiser with live auction at the Marietta VFW on Friday, May 24. Over 100 6th-8th grade students attended the “Young Women and Men of Promise” free leadership training on May 17. The event was sponsored by the Washington County Behavioral Health Board, and The Right Path for Washington County.

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

XI. **Agency Reports**

- A. **House of Hope** – Members of the House of Hope attended an outing to the Wilds in Cumberland, Ohio. The House of Hope Board approved the purchase of a John Deere Tractor that will be used to maintain the grounds. The interview portion of the grant application submitted to the Marietta Community Foundation has been completed. The House of Hope Board plans to submit a proposal to increase annual funding to the Washington County Behavioral Health Board.
- B. **The Right Path** – No updates offered.
- C. **Life & Purpose** – Doug Pfeifer stated that staff are preparing for CARF (Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities) recertification. Tony Touschner asked to talk about the Resource Center. Mike Beardmore asked that discussion of the Resource Center be added under “New Business” of the agenda.
- D. **EVE, Incorporated** – Prevention services have wrapped up at schools. Prevention curriculum will be provided at the Boys and Girls Club during summer break. A report was not submitted to file.
- E. **Oriana House**- No updates offered.
- F. **Hopewell Health**- Sherry Shamblin shared that initiating the GOSH (Great Office Solution Helper) billing system continues to be a work in progress. Once the system has been established, billing for Washington County residents who have received services and qualified for the sliding fee scale will begin. A second therapist has been hired to offer in-home services to clients. The Recovery Engagement Team (formally known as the Rapid Access Team) will include a broad stakeholder group including law enforcement, Marietta Memorial, Life and Purpose, Hopewell Health, The Washington County Behavioral Health Board and Children Services. The Quick Response Team model (called the

Recovery Engagement Team- RET -in Washington County) was first developed in 2014, in Colerain Township, just northwest of Cincinnati, Ohio. Officials saw the need to develop more innovative, person-centered approaches to reduce the then-sharply rising number of narcotic overdoses in their community. The purpose of the Washington County RET is to help individuals in the community that struggle with substance abuse. The team, through law enforcement/first responder, agency, and individual referrals, identifies individuals who have a substance use disorder (SUD) and visits them to direct them toward resources for treatment. The Washington County Team consists of 2-3 members per visit among: a law enforcement officer, an SUD counselor, a certified Peer Recovery Supporter and/or a Washington County Health Department nurse.

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

XII. Committee Reports

- A. Program Planning & Oversight** – Dr. Raney stated that the Recovery Is Beautiful Scholarship will be made available to the public once an advisory committee has been established. David Browne and Hilles Hughes are working on recruiting members for the advisory committee. The Program Planning and Oversight committee discussed Culture of Quality items and offered revisions to staff, and reviewed three proposals, two from Life and Purpose and one from EVE Inc. A discussion was also held on recruiting additional Board members.
- B. Community Relations** – Dr. Prigeon called attention to the Social Media report submitted by Michelle Wilson. The report shows a drop in activity in outlying areas of Washington County. This could be due to a lack of reliable Wi-Fi/cell phone connection throughout the county.
- C. AoD-** The committee met prior to the meeting to discuss logistics of the September 21, 2nd annual Recovery Day that will take place at 241 Front Street in Marietta on the Armory lawn.
- D. Nominating Committee-** Eric Fowler shared a list of nominees provided by the Nominating Committee, then opened the floor for nominations. The following nominations were made.

President

Mike Beardmore
Jim Raney
Dave White
Eric Fowler

Vice President

Brett Nicholas
Eric Fowler

Treasurer

Mike Beardmore
Larry Hall

Voting will take place at the June meeting.

XIII. Old Business

A. Culture of Quality items (Mission & Programs)-

- Mission, Vision, Values
- Grievance Client/Family
- Privacy Officer
- Security Officer
- Clients Rights Officer
- Civil Rights Compliance
- Complaint Investigation
- Major Unusual Incident

The above items were shared with Board members at the April meeting and discussed during the Program Planning and Oversight Committee meeting. Minor revisions were suggested by the committee.

Motion #34.2019

It was moved and seconded (Dr. Raney, Mike Beardmore) to approve the above Culture of Quality policies and procedures with minor revisions. The motion passed with the following votes:

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

XIV. New Business

A. Trauma Informed Schools (Year Two) - The proposal for \$54,400 will fund year one training and year two training for Teachers, Counselors, and Administration. Tony Touschner suggested amending the proposal to include substitute teachers. Doug Pfeifer stated he was not sure about what pricing would be, or if including substitute teachers in the current training would be feasible. Doug Pfeifer was encouraged to contact local school superintendents for further guidance on this issue. A separate proposal could be created to allow training for substitute teachers. Eric Fowler shared that he was skeptical of the program in the beginning but while working with youth in Washington County he is now impressed with the outcome of the program.

Motion #35.2019

It was moved and seconded (Dr. Raney, Eric Fowler) to approve the Trauma Informed Schools proposal of \$54,400. The motion passed with the following votes:

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

B. Life and Purpose Community Resource Center- A proposal for \$50,000 was submitted for review. The proposal included renovations and construction costs, as well as an architectural drawing and building permits for 274 Front Street

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located in downtown Marietta, OH. Janice McFarland was in attendance during a Program Planning and Oversight committee meeting to discuss the proposal on May 21. Life and Purpose Behavioral Health is a for-profit organization while the Life and Purpose Community Resource Center will be submitting an application to become a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization. While discussing the proposal at the May 21 meeting attendees came to a consensus that attaching the Life and Purpose name to the center may cause confusion.

Motion #36.2019

It was moved and seconded (Dr. Pridgeon, Mike Beardmore) to allocate up to \$55,000 to Life and Purpose to start a resource center contingent on applying for a 501 (c) (3). Funds will be disbursed to the nonprofit only.

Dr. Raney shared that his objection to the proposal is the name. Including Life and Purpose in the title could cause stigma. He suggested using a neutral/generic name for the community resource center. Stacey Adams disagreed stating a Behavioral Health provider name attached to something positive could actually reduce the stigma. A lengthy discussion was held. Doug Pfeifer stated that if the name is troublesome, he would be willing to look elsewhere for funding.

Motion #37.2019

It was moved (Dr. Pridgeon) to table motion #36.2019. There was no second. The motion died.

Dr. Raney explained that the proposal seems to be non-negotiable. Doug Pfeifer stated there is room for further discussion.

Motion #38.2019

It was moved and seconded (Eric Fowler, Tony Touschner) to keep the current proposal contingent to Washington County Behavioral Health Board approval of the name that would be displayed on the community resource center storefront and promotional items. The motion ended with 5 yes 5 no and 1 abstention:

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

(Original) Motion #36. 2019

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Y		Y		N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y

XV. Good of the Order

Stacey Adams shared that Land of Goshen Treatment Center will be opening “Brandi’s Legacy” a 24 bed residential treatment facility for women located at 1417 Lancaster street in Marietta. There will be an open house on Friday, June 28 from 4-8 p.m. The facility will offer both 3.1 and 3.5 high intensity treatment to clients.

XVI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Next Meeting:

June 27, 2019

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

**Respectfully Submitted,
Tara Plaugher**

Board President Signature