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## WASHINGTON COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARD

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Thursday, February 22, 2024 ~ 6:00 p.m.  
Meeting held In-person  
204 Davis Avenue. Marietta, OH

### I. Call to Order, Roll Call

A. Vice-President David White called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

### II. Pledge of Allegiance

### III. Welcome and Introductions

#### Present

Mike Beardmore  
Leann Lucas  
Brett Nicholas – Arrived at 6:17 PM  
Beverly Prigge  
Ron Rees  
Larry Schwendeman  
David White

#### Absent

Jarrett Barnhouse  
Eric Fowler  
Larry Hall

#### Staff

George Goddard  
Tim Hahn  
Samantha Rogers  
Tara Plaugher  
Heather Parcell

#### Guests

Linda Sistrunk - MMH  
Cathye Williams – ISBH  
Mike Dennis – House of Hope  
Alice Stewart - DJFS  
Larkin Warsinsky - SOCC  
Deanna Speir England – Oriana House  
Dolan Malepa - MMH  
Todd Stevens – Community  
Jennifer Stevens – Community

IV. **Oath of Office** – Leann Lucas was sworn in as a Washington County Behavioral Health Board member.

V. **Public Statements** - No public statements were offered.

VI. **Agenda Revisions** – No revisions were made to the agenda.

VII. **Approval of Minutes – January 24, 2024**

#### ***Motion #6.2024***

It was moved and seconded (Mike Beardmore and Larry Schwendeman) to approve the January 24, 2024, Board meeting minutes. The motion passed with the following votes:

Jarret Barnhouse	Mike Beardmore	Eric Fowler	Larry Hall	Leann Lucas	Brett Nicholas	Beverly Prigge	Ron Rees	Larry Schwendeman	Dave White
	Y			Y		Y	Y	Y	Y

Y= Yes

N= No

A= Abstain

**VII. Treasurer's Report** - Members of the Board held a brief discussion on the treasurer's report.

*Motion # 7.2024*

It was moved and seconded (Ron Rees, Beverly Prigge) to accept the January 24, 2024, Treasurer's report and disbursements. The motion passed with the following votes:

Jarret Barnhouse	Mike Beardmore	Eric Fowler	Larry Hall	Leann Lucas	Brett Nicholas	Beverly Prigge	Ron Rees	Larry Schwendeman	Dave White
	Y			Y		Y	Y	Y	Y

**VIII. Director's Report**

Executive Director George Goddard shared that requests to use the Addiction Treatment Program (ATP) funds have started coming in. Assistant Director Tim Hahn has developed a tracking sheet that is shared with the COMPASS Drug Court in order to keep track of this spending.

**IX. Staff Reports**

Assistant Director Tim Hahn had nothing additional to share.

Peer Recovery Advocate Tara Plaughner had nothing additional to share.

The Right Path – No updates to the report or questions were offered.

PAX – There were no updates to the report or questions offered.

Staff reports will be filed with the minutes.

**X. Agency Reports**

A. **Hopewell Health** – There was no representative in attendance. There were no updates to the report or questions offered.

B. **House of Hope** – Mike Dennis, from House of Hope, reports that everything is proceeding smoothly.

C. **Integrated Services** – There were no updates to the report or questions offered.

D. **Rigel/Oriana House** – Deanna England, from Oriana House, reported that there are a total of 36 beds available, 12 for females and 24 for males.

The agency reports will be filed with the minutes.

**XI. Committee Reports**

A. **Program Planning & Oversight/Community Relations** – Beverly Prigge conveyed in a recent meeting that the PP&O Committee reviewed the Department of Job and Family Services Prevention Contract, Marietta Health Systems Vertical Triage Contract and the OVESC/Commissioners RBT Project.

Beverly Prigge additionally shared that she is resigning from the board and a replacement for chair of the Program Planning & Oversight/Community Relations will need to be found.

Leann Lucas volunteered for the roll of Chair for the PP&O Committee

The next PP&O Committee meeting is scheduled for March 14, 2024, at 5:15 pm.

**XII. Old Business** – No old business was discussed.

**XIII. New Business**

**Department of Jobs and Family Services** – Members of the Board held a brief discussion on the DJFS Prevention Contract.

***Motion # 8.2024:***

**It was moved and seconded (Beverly Prigge, Ron Rees).** To authorize the Executive Director to negotiate a contract with Job and Family Services for \$106,650 to continue funding for the Prevention Program. The motion passed with the following votes:

Jarret Barnhouse	Mike Beardmore	Eric Fowler	Larry Hall	Leann Lucas	Brett Nicholas	Beverly Prigge	Ron Rees	Larry Schwendeman	Dave White
	Y			Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y

***Marietta Health Systems*** - Members of the Board held a brief discussion on the MHS Contract.

***Motion # 9.2024***

**It was moved and seconded (Beverly Prigge, Mike Beardmore)** To authorize the Executive Director to negotiate a contract with Memorial Health Systems for \$66,858 to continue funding the Vertical Triage Program. The motion passed with the following votes:

Jarret Barnhouse	Mike Beardmore	Eric Fowler	Larry Hall	Leann Lucas	Brett Nicholas	Beverly Prigge	Ron Rees	Larry Schwendeman	Dave White
	Y			Y		Y	Y	Y	Y

**OVESC/Commissioners RBT Project** - Members of the Board held a brief discussion on the OVESC/Commissioners RBT Project proposal to place registered behavior technicians in preschool programs to serve behavioral health needs of children in those classrooms.

***Motion # 10.2024***

**It was moved and seconded (Beverly Prigge, Mike Beardmore)** – To authorize the Executive Director to commit \$30,000 to the partnership with OVESC and the Washington County Commissioners to work toward the expansion of RBT services to serve children in early childhood programs in Washington County. The motion passed with the following votes:

Jarret Barnhouse	Mike Beardmore	Eric Fowler	Larry Hall	Leann Lucas	Brett Nicholas	Beverly Prigge	Ron Rees	Larry Schwendeman	Dave White
	Y			Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

*Motion # 11.2024*

It was moved and seconded (Ron Rees, Beverly Prigge ) to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed with the following votes:

Jarret Barnhouse	Mike Beardmore	Eric Fowler	Larry Hall	Leann Lucas	Brett Nicholas	Beverly Prigge	Ron Rees	Larry Schwendeman	Dave White
	Y			Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

**XIX. Good of the Order**

Judge Welch has been approved by OhioMHAS as a new board member. Additionally, a few school counselors have shown interest in joining the board.

The board welcomes Brett Nicholas back.

**XX. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

*Next Meeting:*  
March 28, 2024

Respectfully Submitted,  
Heather Parcell

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Board President Signature