

Fairfield County ADAMH Board

Minutes of the October 24, 2006, Board meeting held at 6:30 p.m. at the Board office pursuant to notice mailed to all Board members.

Acting Chair Alexinas called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with a quorum being present.

ROLL CALL PRESENT

Dave Alexinas, Ed Banville, Larry Miller, Ph.D., Danalee Ogg, Carol Sullivan, Eric Walker, Bill Weimer, Kevin West.

ABSENT

Sheila Heath, John Murphy, Marian Reitano, Ray Robinson, Jerry Woodgeard.

STAFF

Orman Hall, Don Mohler, Rhonda Myers, Marcy Peebles-Fields, Nadine Carroll.

GUESTS

Jerry White, Marc Grodner, Brad Hedges, Tony Motta.

Acting Chair Alexinas asked if there were any questions or comments from the audience.

Acting Chair Alexinas asked if there were any additions or corrections to the September 26th minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-24-06-1

Be it resolved upon motion by Dr. Miller and second by K. West that the September 26th Board minutes be approved. Motion was unanimously approved.

Don Mohler presented the September financials. On the revenue summary page, the Board had a modest month for receipts. The Board received the Medicaid FFP from ODMH and ODADAS (\$160,035.94), the remainder of the Capital Grant allocation (\$20,440.54), and the Homestead Rollbacks/Tangible Personal Property Tax (\$124,494.50). On the expense summary page, the Board had an average month for expenditures. With a beginning balance of \$1,850,210.92 receipts of \$333,440.61, expenses of \$694,105.78, leaves a month ending cash balance of \$1,489,545.75.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-24-06-2

Be it resolved upon motion by D. Ogg and second by B. Weimer to approve the September financials. Motion was unanimously approved.

COMMITTEE REPORT

Dr. Banville presented the results from the New Initiatives committee meeting. He stated that 16 grant applications were received totaling \$902,707 and with only \$537,000 to distribute they had a tough time deciding among the many well deserving projects. He noted that they used a competitive grants model for this process. He thanked committee members, S. Heath, B. Weimer, D. Ogg and Dr. Miller for their hard work of reading through all the grants and scoring them and making some tough decisions. Dr. Banville added that Dr. Miller has extensive grantsmanship expertise. He added that his own expertise comes from many years as a grant evaluator for the state. Dr. Banville told board members that they did add \$12,000 to the pot so that all top vote getters could be funded. Director Hall indicated that it was an amazing amount of work for everyone since the rating instrument alone was 19 pages long with 100 indicators. The grants were ranked low to high based on a quantitative process. The committee had two, three hour meetings and probably 10 hours in between to read and evaluate all the proposals. Rhonda presented the funded proposals for discussion. The proposals totaling \$549,208 that were recommended for funding were:

- Child and Adolescent Medication-Somatic, New Horizons \$26,000
- Crisis Intervention-Restoring Crucial Capacity, New Horizons \$37,544
- Enhanced Detoxification: Integrating Sub Acute Detoxification, Recovery Center \$96,000
- Homeless Outreach and Treatment Program, Recovery Center \$89,666
- Medicaid Increase Proposal, Mid-Ohio \$44,308
- Municipal Court Services Proposal, Mid-Ohio \$85,000
- Parenting Intervention Program Proposal, Mid-Ohio \$57,000
- Rapid Intake and Treatment Project, New Horizons \$85,280
- Teen Screen, New Horizons \$22,500
- The Parent Project, Family and Children First Council \$5,910

Dr. Hedges expressed his appreciation for the committee's work adding that it was a very equitable process. Marc and Tony expressed their appreciation also. Tony also introduced Jerry White, a long time board member and vice president of the New Horizons board. Tony also expressed concern about two populations that are at risk: teens and older adults. He discussed two incidents involving kids in the last two weeks. He also told board members of a suicide by a recent high school graduate that happened just before the fair. Tony added that older adults are more prone to mental health problems and two-thirds are not getting the treatment they need. The suicide rate is proportionally higher also. He stated that they are a tough population to get through to and New Horizons has been doing a Meals on Wheels program with services. He noted that he had hoped the Board would match their funding because the need is growing and this population is underserved. Director Hall thanked Tony for his comments and stated that he wished they would have had Tony's comments when this process started. Director Hall noted that two projects were placed on stand-by and those were a rape intervention project from Lighthouse although it was not technically compliant because it was not signed and an Emergency Information project that would allow Information and Referral to be the front door for emergency services. He added that a number of agencies should be participating in this proposal. Dr. Banville commented that all the proposals were worthwhile and he wished we had the monies to fund all of them. He thanked Director Hall and Rhonda Myers for their hard work on this project. He was impressed with the work that Rhonda and Orman did. They protected the integrity of the process by independently scoring the projects. He said that it was amazing how consistent the scores were. D. Ogg thanked Dr. Banville for his hard work and for chairing the committee. E. Walker asked if there was any way to report back on how these funds were spent and if targets were met. Director Hall said that these projects

are two year proposals with an evaluation scheduled at 1 ½ years. If there is no verifiable benefit from a project the agency will have six months to close out the project. He added that we can't predict revenue for the next fiscal year but if increases are received we need to revisit the unfunded proposals.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-24-06-3

Be it resolved upon motion by C. Sullivan and second by E. Walker to approve funding the initiatives as recommended by committee. Motion was unanimously approved.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Hall reported on the status of moving to the new facility. He stated that after the discussion last month about renovation costs being too high, several board members went and looked at the facility the next morning. Several ways to cut some costs were suggested. We are waiting on the architect's revised plans so new costs can be determined. He added that we hope to save at least half of the costs discussed at last month's meeting. This will probably mean waiting until January to move.

Director Hall presented the 408 report stating that it is hard to get a handle on bed day usage this early in the year. He noted that we are well within our parameters on bed days this month.

Acting Chair Alexinas reminded board members that elections are coming up in a couple more weeks. Director Hall reminded board members that the schools are important partners with the Board and the agencies. He discussed meeting with the school superintendents and other personnel to review the results of the surveys. He added that the schools have been very pleased with this information. He commented that last year the Lancaster City Schools endorsed our levy and let media know how important our services were without us even asking. They are on the edge of financial insolvency which would have a huge negative impact on our community. Pickerington is in need of more facilities due to their overwhelming and rapid growth.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-24-06-4

Be it resolved upon motion by Dr. Banville and second by C. Sullivan that the Fairfield County ADAMH Board endorse both the Lancaster City Schools levy and the Pickerington Local Schools levy. Motion was unanimously approved.

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION NO. 10-24-06-5

Be it resolved, upon motion by C. Sullivan and seconded by Dr. Miller to adjourn the Board meeting. The motion was unanimously approved.

The Board meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Chair

Secretary