

# Fairfield County ADAMH Board

Minutes of the July 24, 2007, Board meeting held at 6:30 p.m. at the Board office pursuant to notice mailed to all Board members.

Chairman Weimer called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m. with a quorum being present.

## **ROLL CALL PRESENT**

Gene Eusanio, Larry Miller, Ph.D., John Murphy, Eric Walker, Bill Weimer, Kevin West, Jerry Woodgeard.

## **ABSENT**

Sheila Heath, Danalee Ogg, Marian Reitano, Carol Sullivan.

## **STAFF**

Orman Hall, Don Mohler, Rhonda Myers, Nadine Carroll.

## **GUESTS**

Patricia Waits, Suzanne Pelletier-Walker, Tony Motta, Sandra Davis, Brad Hedges, Trisha Saunders.

E. Walker swore in G. Eusanio. Chairman Weimer welcomed him to the Board.

Chairman Weimer asked if there were any questions or comments from the audience.

Tony Motta discussed the Rapid Intake Project. It is a new initiative that provides rapid access to treatment. It started on schedule on July 9<sup>th</sup>. Prior to July 9<sup>th</sup>, someone would call in for an appointment and it could take anywhere from one day to eight weeks. They would come in and fill out a ream of documents that could take an hour then they saw a clinician for an hour. There was a 50 percent intake failure rate. Now, someone calls in and is seen within a week. The target is two days from the call. They fill out a couple of forms that takes about five minutes and then meets with a clinician for 30 minutes to decide if New Horizons is right for them. The expectation is that it will improve appointment appearance rates, greater satisfaction, and improved treatment. It has already improved appointment completion rates by 72 percent. The location is 216 Harmon Avenue on the Fairfield Medical Center campus, right next to the Surgery Pavilion. The Board's new initiative funding is what allowed this to happen.

Chairman Weimer asked for corrections or comments on the June minutes. Don noted that he had made corrections to these financials that need to be reflected in the June minutes.

**RESOLUTION NO. 7-24-07-1**

**Be it resolved upon motion by J. Woodgeard and second by E. Walker that the June Board minutes be approved as amended. Motion was unanimously approved.**

Don presented highlights of the June financials. On the revenue summary page, the Board had an exceptional month for receipts. The Board received the remainder of the allocation from ODMH (\$1,420,702.00), Medicaid FFP from ODMH and ODADAS (\$386,051.86) and the allocation from ODADAS Federal Per Capita and Women's grant (\$436,030.00). With the exception of the Medicaid FFP, these amounts are in the budget and not un-anticipated. On the expense summary page, the Board had an exceptional month for expenditures. Beside the "usual" expenditures, the Board also is funding the "New Initiatives". With a beginning balance of \$707,476.65, receipts of \$2,257,352.91, expenses of \$926,416.06, leaves a month and year ending cash balance of \$2,038,413.50.

**RESOLUTION NO. 7-24-07-2**

**Be it resolved upon motion by Dr. Miller and second by K. West to approve the June financials. Motion was unanimously approved.**

E. Walker presented the Ad Hoc Principles Committee report. E. Walker stated that he, B. Weimer, S. Heath, and Director Hall met with the Agency Directors. Brad, Tony, Suzanne and Patricia discussed their needs with the committee. The committee then worked on their recommendations for distribution of the allocation. The committee recommends that the allocation be distributed in this fashion:

Lighthouse Sexual Assault program	\$28,000 FY 2008
Lighthouse Sexual Assault program	\$28,000 FY 2009
Fairfield Mental Health Consumer Group Respite Program	\$76,560 FY 2008
Information & Referral Crisis Line	\$35,000 FY 2008
Information & Referral Crisis Line	\$35,000 FY 2009
Supplemental agency allocation	\$192,400

**RESOLUTION NO. 7-24-07-3**

**Be it resolved upon motion and second by the Ad Hoc Principles Committee to recommend funding Lighthouse's Sexual Assault program \$28,000 in FY 2008 and \$28,000 in FY 2009. Motion was unanimously approved.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 7-24-07-4**

**Be it resolved upon motion and second by the Ad Hoc Principles Committee to recommend funding the Respite program for \$76,560 in FY 2008. Motion was approved. J. Woodgeard, nay.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 7-24-07-5**

**Be it resolved upon motion and second by the Ad Hoc Principles Committee to recommend funding the crisis line at Information & Referral for \$35,000 in FY 2008 and \$35,000 in FY 2009. Motion was unanimously approved.**

Director Hall stated that the allocation breakdown was discussed in detail at the committee meeting on July 16<sup>th</sup>. E. Walker reviewed the principles the funding decisions were based on. They are:

### **Principles for the distribution of additional FY 2008 funds**

- I. Provide contract agencies with flexible resources that will facilitate the retention of competent, motivated professional staff.
- II. Create incentives to assure Fairfield residents are prioritized on the basis of most in need.
- III. Create incentives for contract agencies and the Board to measure the effectiveness and quality of services.
- IV. Provide funding for services that constitute serious gaps in the local continuum of behavioral health services.
- V. Provide funding for expansion of existing services where there is demonstrated unmet need.

Director Hall stated that the proposed allocations are based on billing proportions. They are New Horizons 53% or \$102,030; Mid-Ohio 20.17 % or \$38,804; Recovery Center 19.36% or \$30,250; Fairfield Mental Health Consumer Group 4.3% or \$8,277; and, Lighthouse 3.14% or \$6,036. He also discussed the accountability process and that once begun; agencies might not earn all the funds so it would be placed back in the general pool. This would encourage agencies to submit data e.g. Ohio outcomes data, CSS, BH Mod. This would start for the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter. The first (October 1) quarter is to be non-competitive. He also discussed how the unit cost system of payment hurts the agencies while these funds would be flexible. It is an experiment so if it doesn't work, we regroup and expend the funds in a different manner. Staff still need to determine standards to measure if the agencies meet performance goals and they are still being negotiated. J. Woodgeard asked if this whole process is cost effective. He also stated there needs to be an appeal process. Director Hall stated that there is an appeal process already in the contracts. Also the outcome module and BH module is already required.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 7-24-07-6**

**Be it resolved upon motion and second by the Ad Hoc Principles Committee to recommend funding the supplemental agency allocation at \$192,400. Motion was approved. K. West, nay.**

### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Nadine reported that both the Open House and ArtWalk was a huge success with approximately 3,000 people coming through the offices in four hours time. There were 146 pieces of art hung in the complex of three offices. It was a lot of work but for a first attempt it went very well. She thanked everyone for their hard work and those who made it to either the Open House or Artwalk. She added that the fair booth is coming in October and if anyone would like to work in the booth this year to let her know.

### **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

Chairman Weimer discussed the changes to the Board meeting schedule. The Board will meet every other month and the committee's will meet in the off month. He noted that a board member manual will be ready soon.

He also told the board that Dr. Phillip Prior's was appointed by Ohio Department of Mental Health. Dr. Prior was on an already scheduled vacation this week so was unable to make it to the meeting tonight.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**RESOLUTION NO. 7-24-07-7**

**Be it resolved, upon motion by J. Woodgeard and seconded by K. West to adjourn the Board meeting. The motion was unanimously approved.**

The Board meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

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Chair

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Secretary