

## HAMILTON COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH AND RECOVERY SERVICES BOARD

### Minutes of the Board of Trustees

Virtual GoToMeeting

Thursday, October 15, 2020

#### I. Call to Order

A. The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order (O'Connor) at 8:30 a.m.

B. Virtual Meeting Information:

Consistent with Am. Sub. H.B. 197, this meeting was held virtually; providers and public can access virtual Board meetings through the HCMHRB Facebook page located at: <https://www.facebook.com/HCMHRB/>.

Providers and public can submit questions/comments after the meeting to Chevelle Sizemore at [chevelles@hcmhrsb.org](mailto:chevelles@hcmhrsb.org).

#### II. Attendance

A. Board Members Present: Thomas Gabelman (Chair); Judge John O'Connor (Vice-Chair); Matthew Curoe; Mark Davis; Gwen DiMeo; Linda McKenzie; Mary Oden, Ph.D.; Gary Powell; Jonathan Steinberg, Ph.D.; Ashlee Young

B. Board Members Absent: Mary Ellen Malas (Exc.); Patrick Garry (Exc.); Regina Moore (Exc.); Christine Wilder, M.D.

C. Staff Members Present: Patrick Tribbe; Erik Stewart, Ph.D.; Anna Dowell; Linda Gallagher; LaNora Godfrey; Jenny Heizman; Ann Kuhn; Renee Kopache; Chevelle Sizemore

#### III. Approval of Minutes:

A. A motion was made (O'Connor) to approve the minutes of the September 15, 2020 Board of Trustees meeting.

**Motion Approved**

#### IV. Presidents Report:

##### A. Announcements

Patrick Tribbe announced Linda Mackenzie has been newly appointed to the Board. Sherrie Thomas-Woodside is on medical leave, Chevelle Sizemore will be covering her duties.

##### B. COVID-19 Response

HCMHRB has received two million dollars in CARES Act funding to assist provider agencies with COVID-19 related expenses. Providers are responding well to changes required by COVID-19, having made necessary adjustments in operations to

continue to provide services. Providers appreciate the monthly allocations of PPE (personal protective equipment) that allow clients and workers to interact safely.

**C. GOSH System**

Erik Stewart provided an update on the new GOSH System. The transition is on schedule. Remote training with agency staff has occurred. The SHARES system was decommissioned September 30<sup>th</sup> and the new GOSH system is fully operational.

**D. Awareness Initiatives**

Linda Gallagher announced October 10<sup>th</sup> was World Mental Health Day created to raise awareness of mental health issues around the world and mobilize efforts in support of MH. The campaign's theme was Move for Mental Health; Let's Invest.

Prescription take back day is Saturday, October 24, 10-2PM. Since 2010, this initiative has provided a safe, convenient, and responsible way to dispose of unused or expired prescription medications. Last year 441.5 tons were collected at 6,174 sites. Collection sites can be located by visiting [www.takebackday.dea.gov](http://www.takebackday.dea.gov).

**E. K Through 12 Prevention Initiatives**

Hamilton County has been awarded \$1M to implement K-12 Prevention in Hamilton County School Districts and Community Schools. This will be used to provide evidence-based prevention to help children better cope with life stressors and reduce the likelihood of developing a substance use disorder, mental illness, or other related illnesses.

**V. Mental Health and Addiction Services Committee:**

- A. Deferred to Finance

**VI. Finance Committee:**

**A. Anna Dowell reviewed line items for the period.**

Revenue: HCMHR SB received the disbursement for the second half of the levies for an increase of \$15.4 million; \$15.3 million for the MH Levy and \$122K for the HHIC (Health and Hospital Indigent Care) Levy. State General Revenue Funds increased by \$1 million. Block Grant (BG) Funds increased by \$2.3 million.

Expenses: Operating expenses increased by \$319K, which included roof maintenance of \$282K. Auditor and Treasurer fees increased by \$178K. Agency provider contract payments equaled \$5.6 million to agencies during the month of September; \$4.8 million (85%) were for CY 2020 and \$830K (15%) were for CY 2019 services.

**B. Action Items:**

**1. FAIR Services and Supports Funding**

Hamilton County Department of Job and Family Services (HCJFS) and HCMHR SB planned and implemented Family Access to Integrated Recovery (FAIR) to

provide integrated behavioral health access and care management for shared core customers in need of mental health and substance abuse services. Over the past several years, referrals to the FAIR project have increased significantly, thus necessitating additional need for services and supports.

The Finance Committee recommends the Board of Trustees approve an increase of \$222,306 to Central Clinic/MHAP for the period through December 2020.

100% of this project will be funded from the FAIR budget.

**Motion Approved**

## **2. Regular Services Program (RSP)**

HCMHRSB was awarded \$546,420 from OhioMHAS to provide crisis services to individuals who have been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. The RSP funds are disaster relief grant funds awarded after a presidential disaster declaration.

The Finance Committee recommends the Board of Trustees approve an increase to each of the following agencies' 2020 allocations:

<b>Agency</b>	<b>Allocation</b>
Addiction Services Council/RHAC	\$73,020.00
Central Clinic/MHAP	\$63,666.00
IKRON	\$47,615.00
Talbert House	\$88,910.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$273,211</b>

100% of this project will be funded by OhioMHAS.

**Motion Approved**

## **3. State Opiate Response (SOR) BH Workforce Training Grant**

HCMHRSB received \$25,000 from OhioMHAS in additional funding from the State Opioid Response (SOR) grant. The funds will be used to support multiple training opportunities for local behavioral healthcare providers.

The Finance Committee recommends the Board of Trustees approve an increase of \$25,000 to Urban Minority Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Outreach Program (UMADAOP) for the period through December 2020.

100% of this project will be funded by OhioMHAS.

**Motion Approved**

## **4. St. Joseph Orphanage CARES Act Funding**

HCMHRSB received a \$2 million grant from Hamilton County to be used to assist provider agencies in paying for increased expenses caused by, or in response to, the COVID-19 public health emergency.

The Finance Committee recommends the Board of Trustees approve an increase in St. Joseph Orphanage's CY 2020 allocation by \$101,609 to assist them in paying for increased expenses caused by, or in response to, the COVID-19 public health emergency.

100% of this project will be funded by Hamilton County as part of their CARES Act Plan.

**Motion Approved**

**VII. Other:**

**A.** There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.