

Mahoning County Mental Health and Recovery Board Meeting
November 19, 2018
Minutes

Present: Carl Alexander, James Bertrando, Marilyn Burns, Anne Cobbin, Atty. Wm. Scott Fowler, Chief Bob Gavalier, Bishop C. M. Jenkins, Anne Lally, Ruth Mastriana, Bill Morvay, Atty. Thomas Vasvari, and Linda Warino

Absent: Rocco DiGennaro, Bill Gambrel, Anna Howells, Sue Paluga, Patricia Sciarretta, and Eric Ungaro

Staff: Duane Piccirilli, Brenda Heidinger, and Mark Dunlap

Guests: Joe Caruso, Compass Family & Community Services, Michelle Comanescu, Vista, Angela DeVito, Coalition DFMC, Larry Moliterno, Meridian HealthCare, Lee DeVita, Help Network of Northeast Ohio, Jeff Magada, Flying High, Inc., Joe Shorokey, Alta, and Brett Green, Mahoning Valley Adult and Teen Challenge

Atty. Wm. Scott Fowler, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

18 – 2019: Motion: Anne Cobbin – to approve the minutes of the October 29, 2018 MCMHRB meeting. Seconded: Thomas Vasvari...motion carried.

Officer Reports

A. Chair Report

- None

B. Treasurer Report

Mark Dunlap, Director of Finance in the absence of Eric Ungaro, Treasurer, reviewed the Treasurer's report for October 2018 Mahoning County MHR Board and noted a balance in the amount of \$7,254,205.43

19 – 2019: Motion: Carl Alexander – to approve the October 2018 Treasurer's Report. Seconded: Marilyn Burns...motion carried.

- Approve blanket list of bills for October 2018

20 – 2019: Motion: Anne Lally – to approve the blanket list of bills for October 2018. Seconded: Linda Warino...motion carried.

Committee Reports

• Ways and Means (November 5, 2018)

- Anne Cobbin, Chair, reviewed the November 5, 2018 minutes regarding Story330, Drug Reimbursement Program for psychotropic medications in the Mahoning County Jail, and the Mahoning County Salary Study. The Board discussed Story330 opportunity for local marketing.

21 – 2019: Motion: Linda Warino – to approve pass through funds from OhioMHAS Drug Reimbursement Program to the Mahoning County Sheriff's Department in the amount of \$29,482. Seconded: Ruth Mastriana...motion carried.

22 – 2019: Motion: Linda Warino – to accept the Mahoning County Salary Study to be used as a guide in determination of salaries for all new hire employees hired after 1/1/19. Seconded: Bill Morvay...motion carried.

Executive Director Report (see attached November 2018 report)

- We recently completed a walk through at YDC campus with the Port Authority Board.

Board Remarks

- Atty. Wm. Scott Fowler, Chair, thanked the staff and Board for all of their work in support of the levy.

Provider Remarks

Joe Caruso, Compass

- OhioMHAS has rated the supported employment program as high fidelity.
- Beginning tele-psychiatry in the Jail and CCA with Dr. Garvy, Forensic Psychiatry.
- Swanston House – proposals being sought for renovations.
- Currently working with some clients to reduce Xanax, which has been overprescribed. They are currently being tapered from this medication.

Jeff Magada, Flying HIGH, Inc., the welding school recently graduated 7. Five of these graduates are now employed at approximately \$15.50/hour.

Joe Shorokey, Alta

- Received a grant to provide Mental Health First Aid training at the Mahoning County Libraries, 4 trainings will be offered.
- Providing mental health services at MCCTC in the school, 3 days a week.
- Have begun texting clients' appointment reminders and information about other upcoming activities.

Larry Moliterno, Meridian HealthCare

- Opiate Treatment Program (OTP) license requests to the state to open 7 to 8 new programs in the area. If this growth continues the state will need to fund Boards to provide some local oversight for all agencies, not just contract agencies.

Lee DeVita, Help Network

- Cold weather walk is November 30th.
- Consumer Christmas Party is December 20th at 12 p.m. at the Community Center, everyone is welcome to attend.

Angela DeVito, Coalition DFMC

- Attorney General, now Governor-Elect Mike DeWine put a 12 point prevention plan out to schools. School districts expect it to be mandatory with his new position, DFMC and other prevention providers can help schools in fulfilling these requirements.
- Helms Fund raiser was successful.

There was a discussion regarding continuing the Preferred Network of Care commercials that feature each of the agencies. Duane Piccirilli will obtain pricing for another cycle of these commercials.

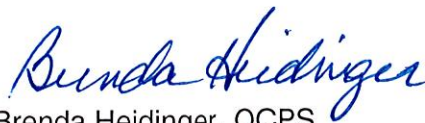
The meeting adjourned at 5:51 p.m.

Minutes reported by:

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Atty. Wm. Scott Fowler
Chairman

Minutes recorded by:

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Brenda Heidinger, OCPS
Associate Director