TRUMBULL COUNTY
Mental Health and Recovery Board

Board Meeting Minutes
February 18, 2025 4:30 PM

Board Members Present: Carol Henderson, Lance Grahn, Teri Lacy, Kevin Stringer, Carl Clark, Robert Walton, Louise Kline, Laurie Perry, Maria Placanica, John Hugley, Rachel Nader, Virginia Cluse

Board Members Absent: Charles Baldwin, Tom Harwood, Laura Green, Julia Wike

Staff Present: April Caraway, Carie Garris, Katie Cretella, Kim Walker, Lauren Thorp, John Myers, Patricia Shepherd, V. "Bud" Patterson, Laura Domitrovich

Guests: Hattie Tracy*, Coleman Health Services; Joe Shorokey*, Alta Behavioral Health; Catherine Blankenship*, Coleman Health Services; Adria Rovnyak*, Glenbeigh; Vince Brancaccio*, Help Network of NEO; Joe Caruso*, COMPASS; Rebecca Bayley*, Belmont Pines; Darryl Alexander*, YUMADAOP; Heather Craver*, Cadence Care Network.

*Denotes Virtual Attendees

Preliminary

1. President Carol Henderson called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM
2. President Carol Henderson lead the pledge of allegiance.
3. Secretary Teri Lacy called the roll of members and certified that a quorum was present.
4. President Carol Henderson recognized guests and staff.
5. Carl Clark made a motion, seconded by Kevin Stringer to approve the January 21, 2025 Board meeting minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

Report from the Executive Director

1. State Update – ED Caraway gave an update on Medicaid data needed to maintain the HUD grants. Coleman has successfully attained new signed releases from the majority of the 160 clients impacted. We are still not at 100% in matching funds, but there is still information forthcoming. The OACBHA One Page policy and funding priorities paper that was included in the packet was noted with ED Caraway sharing that it was presented to state representatives and senators during Legislative Day in Columbus. OhioMHAS Director Cornyn provided budget testimony Friday and is promising more flexible funding, changes to the funding formula and changing Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services

to "Ohio Department of Behavioral Health". ED Caraway also shared that 20% of OhioMHAS funding comes from federal dollars, which could be impacted with changes that are happening at the federal level. Governor DeWine is also considering changes to the rules around recreational marijuana use and related taxes. Proceeds were to benefit addiction prevention services.

2. Local Update – ED Caraway provided an update on the Pine Crisis Center. Chris Mazzola from OhioMHAS attended the last onsite walk through. Initially funding was procured for two of the three sides being renovated. Mr. Mazzola indicated that FY26 Capital Grant funding could now be requested for the final third section. Coleman's CEO, Hattie Tracy, confirmed that they have been approved for a $600,000 loan needed to match a $600,000 capital grant request. However, in order to acquire the loan, the building must be in Coleman's name. This would allow them to renovate the third space for staff now instead of after clients are in the building. ED Caraway stated that by conveying the property to Coleman, they would have a permanent place for their employees and would manage the crisis center as planned. Conveyance would also relieve the board of several financial burdens, including maintenance and upkeep responsibilities and the loans connected to the property. ED Caraway reminded the board that we would still fund non-billable services. Lance Grahn spoke in favor of the conveyance stating that the mission of the facility will be fulfilled and property maintenance responsibilities will be removed from Board staff. Hattie Tracy expressed gratitude to the Board for their consideration. Carl Clark also expressed his support of moving forward, stating that if either party delays, building materials will only increase in price. ED Caraway then shared that Lauren Thorp prepared 120-Day notices for contracted agencies as required in the Ohio Revised Code and that motions will be considered later in the meeting. The letters detail the services that each contract covers that could be eliminated or reduced if state and federal funding levels decline. ED Caraway shared that Insight Trumbull Memorial Hospital opened the second behavioral health unit over the weekend and they have two new Psychiatrists. Next, she announced that Riverbend has reopened with 7 out of 12 beds currently occupied. The supportive housing facility requires individuals have a mental health condition and be homeless or at risk of homelessness.
3. Finance Reports –Patty Shepherd, CPA reviewed the January 2025 unaudited revenue and expenditure reports that included the 3rd quarter OhioMHAS allocation. She stated that expenditures in January progressed as expected. Also included in the report this month was the unaudited statement of fund balance for the HUD grants for the first quarter of the federal grant period from October 1st through December 31st, 2024.

Committee Reports

1. Addictions and Mental Health Program Committee – Vice President, Lance Grahn gave a brief review on the February 4, 2025 meeting. The program presenter was Meghan DeGregory from Thrive 10:10, one of the board's newest contracted agencies. They are a non-profit whose focus is creating a pathway out of scarcity and poverty, building self-reliance while also developing a sense of community.
2. Budget and Finance Committee – No meeting to report.
3. Administrative Committee - No meeting to report.

New Business

1. Teri Lacy made a motion to approve the January 2025 Revenue and Expenditure Report held subject to audit. Kevin Stringer seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
2. Robert Walton made a motion to approve FFY25 HUD 1st quarter income & expense report. Laurie Perry seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
3. Lance Grahn made a motion to convey property at 820 Pine Ave. SW Warren, Ohio to Coleman Health Services for crisis, supportive housing, addiction and mental health services and related purposes in accordance with ORC 340.031 and to transfer OhioMHAS capital grant loans MH-308, MH-663 and MH-1191 to Coleman Health Services and to grant the Executive Director and Board President the authority to execute all contracts needed to complete the transaction. Kevin Stringer seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

   Floor Motion: Rachel Nader made a motion from the floor to approve the consolidation of items 4-52, and the approval would act to approve and ratify each separate and independent motion. Kevin Stringer seconded the motion, which passed unanimously for the following motions:

4. Motion to approve 120-day notice to Alta Care Group
5. Motion to approve 120-day notice to Cadence Care Network
6. Motion to approve 120-day notice to Catholic Charities Regional Agency
7. Motion to approve 120-day notice to Coleman Professional Services
8. Motion to approve 120-day notice to COMPASS Family and Community Services
9. Motion to approve 120-day notice to Courageous Dedicated Journey
10. Motion to approve 120-day notice to Family & Community Service, Inc
11. Motion to approve 120-day notice to Family and Senior Support Services
12. Motion to approve 120-day notice to First Step Recovery of Warren
13. Motion to approve 120-day notice to Flying High
14. Motion to approve 120-day notice to FSR of Parkman
15. Motion to approve 120-day notice to Foster Living
16. Motion to approve 120-day notice to Girard Municipal Court
17. Motion to approve 120-day notice to Guardianship and Protective Services
18. Motion to approve 120-day notice to Glenbeigh
19. Motion to approve 120-day notice to Greater Warren-Youngstown Urban League
20. Motion to approve 120-day notice to Help Network of NEO
21. Motion to approve 120-day notice to Inspiring Minds
22. Motion to approve 120-day notice to Jewish Family Services
23. Motion to approve 120-day notice to J & D Associates
24. Motion to approve 120-day notice to Limitless Ambition
25. Motion to approve 120-day notice to Mercy Bon Secours

26. Motion to approve 120-day notice to Meridian Healthcare
27. Motion to approve 120-day notice to Mind, Body & Soul
28. Motion to approve 120-day notice to NAMI Mahoning Valley
29. Motion to approve 120-day notice to New Day Recovery
30. Motion to approve 120-day notice to Northeast Ohio Community Alternative Program
31. Motion to approve 120-day notice to Nikki's House
32. Motion to approve 120-day notice to OnDemand Counseling
33. Motion to approve 120-day notice to OnDemand Occupational Medicine
34. Motion to approve 120-day notice to PsyCare, Inc
35. Motion to approve 120-day notice to Ravenwood Mental Health Center
36. Motion to approve 120-day notice to Sahara Club II
37. Motion to approve 120-day notice to Salvation Army
38. Motion to approve 120-day notice to Thrive 10:10
39. Motion to approve 120-day notice to Thrive Counseling
40. Motion to approve 120-day notice to TRK Properties
41. Motion to approve 120-day notice to Travco Behavioral Health
42. Motion to approve 120-day notice to TriYounity
43. Motion to approve 120-day notice to Trumbull County Common Pleas Drug Court
44. Motion to approve 120-day notice to Trumbull County Family and Children First Council
45. Motion to approve 120-day notice to Trumbull County Family Dependency Treatment Court
46. Motion to approve 120-day notice to Trumbull County LOSS
47. Motion to approve 120-day notice to Trumbull County Women's Treatment Court
48. Motion to approve 120-day notice to Trumbull Regional Medical Center/Insight Health
49. Motion to approve 120-day notice to Robbins House
50. Motion to approve 120-day notice to Valkyrie Agency
51. Motion to approve 120-day notice to Youngstown Area Goodwill Industries
52. Motion to approve 120-day notice to Youngstown Urban Minority Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Outreach Program

Announcements/Community Partnerships/Information

1. ED Caraway drew attention to the OACBHA report included in the packet, "Volunteer Leaders Guiding Local Planning and Decision Making"
2. ED Caraway also included in the meeting packet an article from the Ohio Suicide Prevention Foundation: "The Long-Term Impact of a Suicide Loss"
3. Laura Domitrovich gave a report on the Kindergarten Transition Fair that was held at the Warren Public Library this year to help prepare children and their families for the transition to Kindergarten. This marked the first fair since 2020 and over 250 people attended, including volunteers. They received excellent feedback and the event will occur again next year.

4. ED Caraway announced that the Levy Golf Outing will be August 1, 2025 at Avalon South, which is more centrally located. She encouraged everyone to consider helping with the event.
5. Board President Carol Henderson thanked the ASAP coalition for hosting the presentation on Medical Marijuana this morning with speaker Dr. Aaron Norton. She said his presentation was excellent, and there was a lot of very good information.

Adjournment

With no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 5:23 PM on a motion by Kevin Stringer, seconded by Robert Walton.

Next Board Meeting – March 18, 2025 at 4:30 PM

Carol Henderson

Carol Henderson, President

Teri Lacy

Teri Lacy, Secretary

April J. Caraway

April J. Caraway, Executive Director

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Date