

Mahoning County Mental Health and Recovery Board Meeting
February 25, 2019
Minutes

Present: Jim Bertrando, Anne Cobbin, Rocco DiGennaro, Atty. Wm. Scott Fowler, Anna Howells, Anne Lally, Ruth Mastriana, Bill Morvay, Sue Paluga, Eric Ungaro, and Atty. Thomas Vasvari

Absent: Carl Alexander, Marilyn Burns, Bill Gambrel, Chief Bob Gavalier, Bishop C.M. Jenkins, Patricia Sciaretta, and Linda Warino

Staff: Duane Piccirilli, Brenda Heidinger, Aimee Schweers and Michelle Comanescu

Guests: Vince Brancaccio, Help Network, Joe Caruso, Compass Family & Community Services, Angela DeVito, DFMC, Tameka Patterson, Flying High, Inc., and Joe Shorokey, Alta

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

31 – 2019: Motion: Eric Ungaro – to approve the minutes of the January 28, 2019 MCMHRB meeting. Seconded: Rocco DiGennaro...motion carried.

Officer Reports

A. Chair Report

- None

B. Treasurer Report

- Eric Ungaro, Treasurer, reviewed the Treasurer's report for January 2019 Mahoning County MHR Board and noted a balance in the amount of \$6,733,932.80. *Balance of General Ledger only reflects the cash balance and does not represent contractual appropriations through the end of SFY 19.

32 – 2019: Motion: Eric Ungaro – to approve the January 2019 Treasurer's Report. Seconded: Anna Howells...motion carried.

- Approve blanket list of bills for January 2019

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Committee Reports

• Program and Policy Committee (February 11, 2019)

- In the absence of Pat Sciaretta, Committee Chair, Scott Fowler discussed with the Board the Boys & Girls Club of Youngstown's grant request of \$500,000.00 from Ohio MHAS that was transferred from the Licking County Boys and Girls Club for the Community Resiliency Project. Our Board was asked to send a letter to OhioMHAS in support of the project. The Boys & Girls Club will provide the match; no financial contribution from our Board is requested.

34 – 2019: Motion: Anne Lally - to send a letter of support for the Boys & Girls Club of Youngstown to OhioMHAS for the \$500,000.00 grant for the Community Resiliency Project. Seconded: Sue Paluga...motion carried.

- Scott Fowler discussed with the Board the services provided to the Mahoning Valley through Jewish Family Services. He stated that they currently have a part time Outreach Worker servicing up to 130 elderly persons.
- Duane Piccirilli discussed with the Board the Performance Improvement Plan (PIP).

35 – 2019: Motion: Anna Howells – to accept the Performance Improvement Plan (PIP). Seconded: Eric Ungaro...motion carried.

Executive Director Report (see attached February 2019 report)

- Trauma Informed Care Update
- Meeting with Judges
- Health Officers Training
- Shelter Plus Care Vouchers
- CIT Training Week of March 11-15, 2019
- Youth Resiliency Program: There are 3 agencies applying for the money. Alta – to apply for three mini buses for travel to summer camp; Coalition for a Drug Free Mahoning County – to apply for evidence based programming for Boardman Schools and; Boys and Girls Club of Youngstown – to apply for a van for transportation to and from the Club
- Save the Date

Old Business

- None

New Business

- None

Board Remarks

- None

Provider Remarks

Vince Brancaccio, Help Network

- Dropped National Suicide hotline, but wanted to focus on local suicide hotline calls; plans to invest in upgrading technology; will provide fact sheet at next Board meeting

Joe Caruso, Compass


- May 3, 2019 – singer/songwriter event at the DeYor to benefit the Sojourner House

Tameka Patterson, Flying High, Inc.

- Flying High, Inc. is now a hosting site for peer support training, classes to be held April 23 – May 3, 2019
- The welding school is now an approved pre-apprenticeship program


The meeting adjourned at 5:27 p.m.

Minutes reported by:



Atty. Wm. Scott Fowler
Chairman

Minutes recorded by:



Aimee Schweers, OCPS
Prevention Trainer/Administrative Assistant