

Mahoning County Mental Health and Recovery Board Meeting
March 22, 2021
Minutes – via Zoom video/conference Call

Present: Jim Bertrando, Marilyn Burns, Anne Cobbin, Rocco DiGennaro Atty. Wm. Scott Fowler, Bill Gambrell, Chief Bob Gavalier, Bishop Jenkins, Anna Howells, Anne Lally, Ruth Mastriana, Bill Morvay, Eric Ungaro, Atty. Thomas Vasvari, and Linda Warino

Absent: Victor Daprile, Sue Paluga, and Sylvia Scott

Staff: Duane Piccirilli, Brenda Heidinger, Mark Dunlap, and Jessica Makosky

Guests: Vince Brancaccio, Christina Coleman, Angela DeVito, Joe Caruso, Darla Gallagher, Carolyn Givens, Christina Lloyd, Jeff Magada, Suzette Miller, Larry Moliterno, Joe Shorokey, and Nancy Voitus

Anne Lally, Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

38 – 2021: Motion: Eric Ungaro– to approve the minutes of the February 22, 2021, MCMHRB meeting. Seconded: Anne Cobbin...motion carried.

Officer Reports

A. Treasurer Report

- Bob Gavalier, Treasurer, reviewed the Treasurer’s report for February 2021 for the Mahoning County MHR Board. He also reviewed the Blanket List of Bills for February 2021. *Balance of General Ledger only reflects the cash balance and does not represent contractual appropriations through the end of SFY21.

39 – 2021: Motion: Bishop Jenkins – to approve the February 2021 Treasurer’s Report and February 2021 Blanket List of Bills. Seconded by: Anna Howells...motion carried.

Committee Report

- Ways and Means Committee Meeting March 15, 2021.
 - FY 21-22 State Capital Request from Compass Family and Community Services, Meridian Healthcare, and Flying High. With the information provided to the committee, they were ranked as follows:
 1. Meridian Healthcare
 2. Flying High
 3. Compass Family and Community ServicesAn additional request/adjustment was made by Compass Family and Community Services after the committee meeting, which resulted in committee suggesting they be removed from the rankings.
 - Clever Outreach and Marketing Proposal and proposed option two at \$2,500/month on a trial basis for 3 months.
 - New funding and allocation updates.
 1. Community Investment Allocation in the amount of \$50,000.00 to Compass Family and Community Services.

2. Continuum of Care Services/MH Crisis Stabilization Center- \$200,000.00 to Compass Family and Community Services' Regional Crisis Stabilization Program.
3. Continuum of Care Services/ SUD Crisis Stabilization Centers in the amount of \$50,000.00. \$25,000.00 to Meridian Healthcare and \$25,000.00 to Neil Kennedy Recovery Center.
4. Crisis Infrastructure in the amount of \$128,037.00. \$64,019.00 to Meridian Healthcare and \$32,009 to Neil Kennedy Recovery Center
5. Specialized Docket Support in the amount of \$75,000.00 to Youngstown Municipal Court's Drug Court.
6. SOR Minority 1.0 NCE in the amount of \$189,235.00 was extended from 09/29/2020-11/29/2020 to 09/29/2020- 09/28/2021.

Broadway Recovery Services	\$50,000.00
Pam Sabol	\$30,000.00
Gypsy House	\$20,000.00
Small Steps	\$20,000.00
Flying High	\$30,000.00
YWCA	\$23,000.00
Meridian	\$16,235.00

7. SOR 2.0 in the amount of \$1,495,513.76 will be available from 09/29/2020-09/28/2021.

Mercy Foundation	\$266,073.60
Mercy Health	\$250,000.16
Meridian Healthcare	\$16,000.00
YWCA	\$23,000.00
YUMADAOP	\$18,000.00
Drug Free Coalition of Mahoning County	\$20,000.00
OCCHA	\$30,000.00
Mahoning County Public Health	\$15,000.00
Broadway Recovery House	\$199,680.00
Flying High Inc.	\$118,560.00
Gypsy House	\$74,880.00
Small Steps	\$74,880.00
Progress House	\$49,920.00
Flying High Inc.	\$289,600.00
Recovery House Expansion	\$49,920.00

40 – 2021: Motion: Linda Warino – to approve the State Capital Requests and rankings for the FY 21-22. 1. Meridian Healthcare 2. Flying High. Seconded: Tom Vasvari...motion carried.

41 – 2021: Motion: Rocco DiGennaro – to approve an agreement with Clever Outreach Marketing for option two at \$2,500/month for 3 months not to exceed \$7,500.00. Seconded: Bishop Jenkins...motion carried with 13 votes for and 1 against.

42 – 2021: Motion: Bill Morvay – to accept the reviewed funding and agency allocations as presented. Seconded: Marilyn Burns...motion carried.

Executive Director Report

- See attached report.

Old Business

- MCMHR Board members discussed the developments with the YSU scholarship. Additional information will be gathered and brought to the April 26th meeting.

New Business

- Appointment of Health Officer, Laura Brooks, LISW- Northcoast Behavioral Healthcare Community Support Network (CSN) effective March 31, 2021.

43 – 2020: Motion: Linda Warino– to approve the appointment of Health Officer Laura Brooks, LISW. Seconded by: Tom Vasvari...motion carried

The next Board meeting will be held on April 26, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.

Agency Remarks:

- Cristina Lloyd, Coleman, reported that Nelson Burns, CEO will retire on June 30, 2021.
- Joe Caruso, Compass Family and Community Services explained and discussed his capital request and updated the Board on their work with the Youngstown Police to facilitate a better way to help the families of murder victims, and others who experience the trauma of violent crimes.
- Nancy Voitus, Catholic Charities, reported that they opened their women/family shelter in January. The shelter was full within three days.
- Vince Brancaccio, Help Network, reported that they are having their annual golf outing on May 28, 2021. They are looking for sponsors.
- Carolyn Givens, Neil Kennedy, reported that they have noticed a decrease in females at their inpatient site. They are having their annual golf outing on May 25, 2021 at the Youngstown Country Club.
- Larry Moliterno, Meridian Healthcare, thanks the Board for their support on the state capital funding project. Meridian Healthcare is working with local medical providers to recommend short term counseling to their patients who are prescribed medications for anxiety.
- Jeff Magada, Flying High, thanks the Board for their support on the state capital funding project. Flying High has trained over 600 people since November 2020 for new jobs in the area.

- Suzette Miller, Mercy Health thanks the Board for indigent client support. They have converted 80% of their clients to Medicaid. They opened TMS procedures on March 15th with a 42 bed total capacity.
- Joe Shorokey, Alta reported that the Campus of Care is up and running. Like most providers they are struggling to keep a full staff and are looking for dependable employees.
- Angela DeVito, Coalition for a Drug Free Mahoning County will be hosting it's Summer Training Series, look for the schedule to be released soon. They have also been working on the K-12 Initiative our Board and the Mahoning County ESC. Mahoning County School Districts are beginning to train their elementary teachers in PAX Good Behavior Game, and middle and high school teachers/counselors in Botvin Life Skills curriculum.

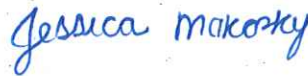
The meeting adjourned at 5:51 p.m.

Minutes reported by:



Ruth Mastriana
Secretary

Minutes recorded by:



Jessica Makosky
Accounts Clerk