

Richland County Mental Health & Recovery Services Board

Meeting Minutes February 15, 2011

Present: Cliff Schutjer, Lanette Remaley, Dick Walters, Jay Haar, Kelsey Gledhill, Andy Medwid, Joann Hipsher, Jan Winbigler, Laurence Rawls, Gerry Bartman, and Jeff O'Brien

Excused: Marilyn Bowers, Melodye James, and Bobbie Swank

Unexcused: Brian Garverick and Traci Kiliany

Visitors: Mary Kay Pierce, Veronica Groff, and Zach Fraley (WMFD)

Staff Present: Joe Trolian, Carolyn Muth, Tom Chambers, Sherry Branham, and Nancy Kaufman

Jeff O'Brien called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and led members and visitors in the Pledge-of-Allegiance.

Board Member roll call was recorded and a quorum established.

New member Dr. Jay Haar was given the Oath of Office.

***Approval of January 17, 2011 Meeting Minutes – Jeff O'Brien**

Dick Walters motioned to approve the January 17, 2011 minutes and Andy Medwid seconded. There were no questions and the motion was approved unanimously.

***Motion to approve expenditures for last half of January, first half of February– Jeff O'Brien**

Joann Hipsher motioned to approve the expenditures for the last half of January and the first half of February. Jan Winbigler seconded. There were no questions, and the motion was approved unanimously.

Cash Position – Carolyn Muth

The cash position beginning balance as of December 31, 2010 was \$4,958,798.75. Total revenues for January amounted to \$1,707,762.36. Expenditures for the same period were \$1,177,190.10, leaving an ending balance on January 31, 2011 of \$5,489,371.01 which is an increase of \$530,572.26. Carolyn noted that we received both federal and state quarterly fund payments in January so the revenues are higher than usual.

***Finance Committee Report – Joann Hipsher**

The Finance Committee met Tuesday, February 8th. Representatives from Family Life Counseling were invited to this meeting to discuss some concerns we had over their billing. The Committee had met with them previously to discuss a plan to correct the issues. They responded with a plan, and we are still working with them on that. One thing we suggested was to utilize more group therapy instead of so much individual counseling. The Finance Committee approved Family Life Counseling's audit. Joann Hipsher then made a motion for the Board to approve Family Life Counseling's audit. Gerald Bartman seconded the motion, and all approved.

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Liaisons and President's Reports- Jeff O'Brien

There were no liaison's reports given.

Jeff said he would like to see the board continue to be involved in the community. He suggested participating in a couple of parades this year to keep our name in front of the public. He would also like Joe to do several speaking engagements a year to maintain our presence in the community

Executive Director's Report – Joe Trolian

Joe welcomed the newest Board member, Dr. Jay Haar. Melodye James will be joining the Board next month and Dave Krenrick's application is in the Governor's office waiting for approval. There is only one more open position.

Our annual dinner is next month on the regular board meeting night at Café on Main's Kobacker Room. We will have a quick board meeting off to the side prior to the dinner as in previous years. Board members attend the dinner free. If you wish to bring guests, the cost is \$25 per person.

Joe asked Mary Kay to give some information about some upcoming NAMI activities. NAMI Richland County is chartering a bus to go to the capital for the Sleep-Out for Mental Illness planned for May 10, 2011. This event is designed to call our lawmakers attention to the impact of their funding decisions by seeing all the families gathered at the statehouse. Anyone interested in going should let Mary Kay know.

May is Mental Health Month is our first opportunity to go back into the community since the levy. The Education and Planning Committee will be meeting in April to plan the events for May.

We have an opportunity to speak at the Shelby Rotary Club meeting concerning how to recognize someone who is having a mental health crisis and get help for them. We hope to have an event, possibly at the gazebo, with recognition of some sort for the CIT officer of the year. We will provide a calendar of events when it is completed.

NAMI is sponsoring a 5K walk/run to raise awareness of mental health and wellness in the community. This is to be held at the Richland County fairgrounds on Saturday, April 16th. All of the money raised will go toward local education. Many vendors will also be participating.

Congratulations to The Center and Rehab for a successful Telethon. Veronica reported the total amount raised was over \$73,000. She thanked Joe and his daughter for presenting the check from the Board.

We are issuing our 120 day notice letters to the agencies this week. This allows the Board to enter into new contracts. We will issue the intent to purchase in mid-March.

Joe reported that the new state directors of ODMH & ODADAS have asked for input concerning funding. A lot is still up in the air right now with the Governor's budget, but Joe will try to keep everyone posted as he learns more.

Old Business

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None

New Business

None

Future Agenda Items

None

Adjournment

Kelsey Gledhill motioned to adjourn the meeting and *Andy Medwid* seconded. The meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

ATTESTED BY:

PRESIDING:

Jan Winbigler, Secretary

Jeff O'Brien, President