

Richland County Mental Health & Recovery Services Board

Meeting Minutes March 19, 2013

Present: Dave Krenrick, Vivian Winters, Lanette Remaley, Gerald Bartman, Laurence Rawls, Dick Walters, Kelsey Gledhill, Andy Medwid

Excused: Joann Hipsher, Jan Winbigler, Jeff O'Brien, Bobbi Swank

Unexcused: Dr. Jay Haar

Staff Present: Joe Trolian, Carolyn Muth, Nancy Kaufman

Visitors: Mary Kay Pierce

Laurence Rawls called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and led members and guests in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Member roll call was recorded and a quorum established.

***Approval of February 19, 2013 Meeting Minutes** – Laurence Rawls

Kelsey Gledhill motioned to approve the February 19, 2013 meeting minutes. Dick Walters seconded. There were no additions or corrections and the motion was approved unanimously.

***Motion to approve expenditures for last half of February and first half of March,** –

Laurence Rawls

Andy Medwid motioned to approve expenditures for the last half of February and the first half of March. Kelsey Gledhill seconded. There were no questions and the motion was approved unanimously.

Cash Position – Carolyn Muth

The cash beginning balance as of January 31, 2013 was \$5,098,154.62. Total revenue for the month of February was \$440,068.25. Expenditures for the same period were \$414,200.73, leaving a balance of \$5,124,022.14. This is an increase of \$25,867.52. Dave Krenrick asked if the services are in line with what was projected. Carolyn said yes. One provider was a little under their projected amount, but they have increased their billing and are now on target.

***Motion to Approve a Resolution for Expansion of the Crisis Unit** – Dave Krenrick

ODMH has asked that we pass a resolution stating we will provide 25 % match up to \$75,000 for the expansion of the Crisis Unit. The Center received a capitol grant from ODMH for this project.

Dave Krenrick offered a motion to approve the resolution to provide 25% match up to \$75,000 for the expansion of the Crisis Unit from 9 to 13 beds. Gerald Bartman seconded and the motion was approved.

Joe reported they have started renovations, and should be complete and up and running by July first.

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Liaison's and President's reports – Laurence Rawls

Kelsey Gledhill reported he has been attending The Center board meetings regularly. They are good meetings. They have been discussing the Crisis Unit expansion, and are very excited about it.

Gerry Bartman reported NAMI had a VNA nurse give a talk recently. VNA has eleven mental health nurses on staff. They talked about a medication dispensing unit that is very helpful.

Dave Krenrick asked if we are able to track the number of Mental Health clients on Medicaid in Richland County. Joe said yes we can. Because we are the trading partner for the agencies in Richland County, we have access to Medicaid data. The only ones we are missing are AoD Medicaid-only clients.

Director's report – Joe Trolan

Joe reported on the Medicaid expansion issue. We are still pushing as much as we can for this to be implemented. There was a wonderful rally in Columbus last week at the Riffe Center. There was a great turn out and a lot of really good testimony. They now feel it's about 51% to 49% in favor of passage. It may pass the House by mid April then go over to the Senate. Joe was able to talk to Representative Mark Romanchuck and explain the issue to him in more detail. There are still a couple of new proposals out there, and work will continue.

The recent ODADAS conference went very well. Richland County was well represented. Joe had an opportunity to speak, and report on what The Center has been able to do here. He led a break-out session about the medication assisted treatment program. We are just waiting for Third Street Clinic to receive their final approval for Suboxone treatment. Once approval is in place, the courts already have people lined up to start the program. In the meantime Dr. Toward has also received his certification.

The renovated Crisis Unit should be operating by July first, and the first telemedicine studio is here. This will provide a service we have not previously been able to offer. A lot of organizations, especially in rural areas, are using telemedicine. Mary Kay asked if the Crisis Unit will be available to clients from other counties. Joe said other counties can purchase/contract bed days just as they do now.

May is Mental Health month. If you are an ODMH appointee, you will be called upon to help with planning. We plan to tie Mental Health month, our 45th anniversary and the county's anniversary together. Joe is researching the history of the mental health system in Richland County and will talk about it at our annual dinner in May.

Budget proposals will begin soon. We will be sending out intent to purchase by March 26th. With the Medicaid changes, the budgets will be different this year. There is a meeting with the agency Executive Directors this Thursday to go over the many changes. Budgets will be due back to the Board the end of April and we will be having the Board to Board meetings in May.

Dave and Lanette both had questions pertaining to Medicaid changes, which Joe spent some time explaining.

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Old Business

None

New Business

None

Future Agenda Items

None

*Adjournment

Gerald Bartman motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:10 p.m. and *Lanette Remaley* seconded.

ATTESTED BY:

PRESIDING:

Dave Krenrick, Treasurer

Laurence Rawls, President