



**Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, October 21st, 2020
Board Meeting**

The Butler County Mental Health and Addiction Recovery Services Board held its Board meeting on Wednesday, October 21st, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at the Board office located at 5963 Boymel Drive in Fairfield, Ohio via Webex.

1. Call to Order

1.01 Board President Patricia Deis-Gleeson, BSN called the meeting to order.

Upon the call of the roll the following Board members were present via Webex: Pastor Michael Bailey; President Patricia Deis-Gleeson, BSN; Theodore Hunter, M.D.; Wayne Mays; Lonnie Tucker, CH, CSW; Father Michael Pucke; Sandra Smith; Christine Hacker, MSN; Vice President Mathew Himm; Kim McKinney, BSN, RN; Rev. Suzanne LeVesconte; Rev. Gary Smith; David Swigonski; Richard Bement; Rev. Vanessa R. Cummings, CAPP; Kelsey Wargo, LPCC-S, CCTP-II; and John Silvani, RN, CARN, CAS, LCDC-II.

Recognition of Guests via Webex:

Deanna Proctor, Access Counseling
Carolyn Winslow, Big Brothers Big Sisters
Erin Day, Community Behavioral Health
Lori Higgins, Envision
Joyce Kachelries, Lifespan
Quinton Moss, M.D., Modern Psychiatry & Wellness, LLC
Jillane Holland, Sojourner
Julie Herrmann, St. Joseph Orphanage
Sheri Bartels, Transitional Living
Diane Ruther-Vierling, YWCA

1.02 Public Comments on the Agenda
- *No comments*

2. Consent Agenda

2.01 Consent Agenda Items

- A. September Executive Committee Meeting
- B. September Board Meeting Minutes
- B. October MH Committee Meeting Minutes
- C. October ARS Committee Meeting Minutes

Mr. Silvani motioned to approve the consent agenda as amended. Ms. Hacker seconded the motion. The vote carried the motion.

Ms. Deis-Gleeson motioned to add Mr. Mays to the Recovery Housing Ad Hoc Committee. Mr. Silvani seconded the motion. The vote carried the motion.

3. Board Communication & Announcements

3.01 Executive Directors Report

- A. Budget Update: Federal, State & Local
The Board will receive three federal grants: HRSA (Health Resources and Services Administration), OVC (Offices of Victims of Crime) and COSSAP (Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Program) in the amount of 2.6 million dollars in the next three years. The State has a 1.1 billion dollar deficit for FY2021. ODMHAS (Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services) absorbed most of the deficit for FY2020. BCMHARS Board funding has not been affected except for withdrawal management, which was cut by two-thirds, but will be replaced by SOR 2.0 (State Opiate Response) funding. The BCMHARS Board's county budget from the general fund will take a 4.1% cut in the general revenue fund budget in 2020 and 3.3% in 2021.
- B. Board Culture of Quality (COQ) Update
The (COQ) Culture of Quality program has been developed by the Ohio Association of County Behavioral Health Authorities (OACBHA) and its member Boards to improve the quality of the statutorily mandated functions of county Boards administering local alcohol, drug addiction and mental health services for Ohioans. The Culture of Quality is designed to promote community confidence and Boards' public support through increased accountability. The Culture of Quality brings consistency to the local Board system through self-regulation while preserving flexibility for Boards to be responsive to the needs of their respective constituencies.

The BCMHARS Board was initially scheduled to be audited in February 2020 but due to COVID-19, it was postponed to July. A waiver was extended to January 2022, but there is also an option of having a virtual audit on December 7th and 8th, 2020.

- C. MH Tax Levy Update
Dean Langevin presented to the Levy Committee on Tuesday, October 20th, 2020. There are 40, 4x8 signs up around the county. 400 yard signs and 1,000 masks have been distributed. There are still yard signs, masks, fact sheets and posters available that can be picked up at the board office.

Dr. Rasmus provided summaries of the following articles D – G:

- D. Robert Lee Hotz and Natasha Khan. (2020, September 7). *'Really diabolical': Inside the coronavirus that outsmarted science*. WSJ.
<https://www.wsj.com/articles/really-diabolical-inside-the-coronavirus-that-outsmarted-science-11599498840>
- E. Shelley, J., 2020. *Indiana Now Included On Ohio Travel Advisory*. [online] WPTA21. Available at: <<https://wpta21.com/2020/10/14/indiana-now-included-on-ohio-travel-advisory/>> [Accessed 15 October 2020].
- F. Goodtherapy.org 2000 *Is There A Shortage of Mental Health Professionals In America?* [online] Available at: <<https://www.goodtherapy.org/for-professionals/personal-development/become-a-therapist/is-there-shortage-of-mental-health-professionals-in-america>> [Accessed 15 October 2020]
- G. Segerstrom, S. C &, Miller, G. E. (2004). Psychological stress and the human immune system: a meta-analytic study of 30 years of inquiry. *Psychological bulletin*, 130(4), 601–630.
<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC1361287/>
- H. C3 Virtual Web Conference: The Impact of Social Media & Technology Virtual Conference Series is on Thursdays from October 1st to November 5th, 2020 at 4:00 – 5:30 p.m. Thursday, October 22nd, Lori Higgins from Envision will be presenting, “Thriving Youth: Meaningful Ways to Impact Youth and Families” in tomorrow’s session.
- I. Miscellaneous
The Recovery Housing RFP Committee will meet on Thursday, October 29th at 2:00 p.m.

4. Review of Committee Meeting

4.01 October – MH Committee Meeting Review – Christine Hacker

Ms. Hacker gave a brief update on the MH Committee meeting activities this month.

4.02 **October – ARS Committee Meeting Review – Mat Himm**

Mr. Himm gave a brief update on the ARS Committee meeting activities this month.

5. New Business

5.01 **Financial Report**

The Board August Financial Report shows that the Year To Date Administration costs are running at 13% which is below the projected 17% and the current cash balance is \$17,146,029

Rev. Smith motioned to approve the Financial Report. Mr. Tucker seconded the motion. The vote carried the motion.

5.02 **Calendar Year Budget**

Dr. Rasmus and Mr. Rhodus discussed the calendar year budget from January 2021 to December 2021.

Mr. Silvani motioned to approve the Calendar Year Budget. Mr. Mays seconded the motion. The vote carried the motion.

5.03 **Budget Revisions and Program Narratives**

Big Brother Big Sisters – Provider requested budget increase in the amount of \$15,000 for System of Care with a final allocation in the amount of \$65,000, with program narrative update.

Butler Behavioral Health – Provider requested budget increase in the amount of \$53,346.25 for COVID 19 Emergency COVID Response FEMA Grant, with program narrative update.

Provider request to move funding to meet current needs, no change in general outpatient program update.

Community Behavioral Health – Provider requested increase in the amount of \$25,000 for COAP (Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Program) Coordinator & Jail Services, new total in the amount of \$50,000, with program narrative update.

Extend funding year through 11/30/20 for SOR with an increased allocation in the amount of \$110,000, with program narrative update.

GMS (Great Miami Services) group home budget increase in the amount of \$204,363, new total in the amount of \$1,310,957. Payment change from per-diem to cost sharing model. GMS allocation reduction in the amount of \$204,363 and moved to cover the

group home increase. GMS allocation reduction in the amount of \$450,000 due to closing, new total in the amount of \$445,636, with program narrative update.

Envision Partnerships – Provider requested COAP no cost extension increase in the amount of \$75,000 with a new total in the amount of \$111,250, with a program narrative update.

Sojourner Recovery Services – Provider requested extension of SOR funding through 11/30/20. State Recovery Housing Initiative allocation in the amount of \$45,900, with a program narrative update.

Access Counseling – Provider requested extension of SOR funding through 11/30/20.

DeCoach Rehabilitation Centre – Provider requested extension of SOR funding through 11/30/20.

Dr. Hunter motioned to approve the Budget Revisions and Program Narratives. Pastor Bailey seconded the motion. Mr. Tucker abstained. The vote carried the motion.

5.04 **FY21 Contract Amendment**

The Butler County MHARS Board Provider Contract Year 2021, Paragraph 10.7.1 Budget Revision Requests added the language “for additional funding.”

Mr. Silvani motioned to approve the FY21 Contract Amendment. Ms. Hacker seconded the motion. The vote carried the motion.

5.05 **Quality Improvement Plan Update**

A comprehensive integrated Quality Improvement Plan has been updated to include the definition of internal and external to the Board, clarification of the biennial meeting for the Boards internal QI committee, and the addition of the COAP coordinator to the QI counsel.

Rev. Smith motioned to approve the Quality Improvement Plan Update. Pastor Bailey seconded the motion. The vote carried the motion.

5.06 **OVC Grant Update - \$700,000**

An email was received announcing that the BCMHARS Board has been granted the OVC (Office of Victims of Crime) grant. The Award will be received at the November Board meeting. It is a \$700,000 grant for three years. The goal of the grant is to build on the COAP (Comprehensive Opiate Abuse Program) grant and enhance it. It will launch the BC HOPE Initiative. Each letter of HOPE stands for a goal or activity of the grant. H stands for the Handle with Care model. The Board is currently active in two school districts with a goal of two more, with three years to expand to all 10 school districts plus parochial and private. O stands for Organize the Community, continuing the work through the Task Force and community partners to focus on the resources and activities that are designed for the youth in Butler County. The P is for Promoting Resiliency which includes the fidelity model in Celebrity Me, Envision’s prevention groups for

children impacted by substance abuse in the school system. E stands for Educate, Engage and Empower, focusing on enhancing professional development for providers.

5.07 **Grant Applications Pending: COSSAP-\$900,000**

The BCMHARS Board has been recognized nationally by the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) and Comprehensive Opiate Stimulant Substance Abuse Program (COSSAP) as a mentor site to other grantees. The COSSAP grant in the amount of \$900,000 for 3 years is slated to begin in November. It builds on the COAP grant. There are four key objectives. One is to develop a data system to provide real time regional information collection analysis and dissemination. Second, enhance and expand law enforcement and other first responder diversion programs in the county. Third, enhance court based intervention programs. Fourth, expand and enhance evidence based recovery housing.

5.08 **Butler County Family and Children First Council Wraparound MOU**

The Memorandum of Understanding is a collaborative agreement between BBH (Butler Behavioral Health) and the Butler County Family & Children First Council. The intent is for the BBH's Mobile Crisis and MRSS (Mobile Response and Stabilization Services) Programs provide a community based crisis stabilization service to children, families and adults in the community, and support their transition to ongoing treatment services, as appropriate.

Mr. Tucker motioned to approve the BCFCFC Wraparound MOU. Mr. Swigonski seconded the motion. The vote carried the motion.

5.09 **MRSS MOU**

The MRSS and BCESC (Butler County Educational Service Center) Memorandum of Understanding consists of multiple counties including Warren, Preble, Clinton, Clermont and Butler. BCESCS establishes the parameters between the Board and BBH. The Board will receive \$223,630.

Dr. Hunter motioned to approve the MRSS MOU. Ms. McKinney seconded the motion. The vote carried the motion.

5.10 **CQ Standard – Security Policy**

Culture of Quality II-A.4, the Board, in its contracts with providers, has appropriate provisions to protect itself against any derivative liability resulting from agency activities. Multi-factor authentication to validate the identity of the party affixing the electronic signature will be utilized.

Rev. Cummings motioned to approve the CQ Standard II-A.4. Rev. Smith seconded the motion. The vote carried the motion.

5.11 **Health Officer Approval**

Per ORC 5122.01 and 5122.10 the Board offered the Health Officer training in September, which outlined the duties of a Health Officer in the State of Ohio. The Board must approve the list of health officer candidates that have successfully completed the training in order to provide crisis “holds” in Butler County.

Mr. Swigonski motioned to approve the Health Officer list. Ms. Hacker seconded the motion. The vote carried the motion.

5.10 **State Hospital Report**

Mr. Fourman reviewed the September State Hospital Report. For the month of September there were 16 forensic beds and 1 civil bed at Summit, and a female client in the state hospital in Cleveland. 4 civil beds and 12 forensic beds have been budgeted.

5.11 **Vouchers and Payments Made by Direct Deduction**

Mr. Rhodus discussed the current voucher approvals and direct deductions.

Mr. Tucker motioned to approve the Vouchers and Payments Made by Direct Deduction. Mr. Silvani seconded the motion. The vote carried the motion.

6. Guest and Board Comments

6.01 **Guest/Board Comments**

Board members will be sent questions that have been suggested by Dr. Hunter for review. The Executive Committee would like to create a questionnaire for the Board members on Survey Monkey. Please review and if there are any additions or edits, send back to Dr. Rasmus by Friday, October 30th.

There was a discussion concerning the Board Member Survey Evaluation. Dave Swigonski, Pat Deis-Gleeson, Kim McKinney and Lonnie Tucker will schedule a time to review.

Volunteers are needed to put up signs at 13 polling locations the evening of November 2nd. Volunteers are also need to stand at the polls on voting day Tuesday, November 3rd. A list will be sent to staff, providers and Board members. Please contact Jennifer Coats if interested.

7. Adjournment

The next board meeting will be on Wednesday, November 18th at 6:00 p.m. via Webex unless Dr. Rasmus indicates the need to change this date and time.

Mr. Silvani motioned to adjourn. Rev. Smith seconded the motion. The vote carried the motion.

