

Athens-Hocking-Vinton 317 Board Meeting Minutes

January 22, 2024

Meeting Was Held In-Person and Virtual

- Present:** Jacqueline Stobbs, Acting Chair, JoAnna Carter, Jayne Darling, Ralph Evans, Maeve Gallagher Dr. Joe Gay, Dr. Ron Luce, Robert Orth, Anne Rubin, and Shei Sanchez
- Absent:** Heather Batin, Tonya Bowden, Dr. Tom Davis, Rhea Hopstetter, Tamara Norway, Patricia Robinette, and Robert Salizzoni
- Guests:** None
- Virtual:** Betsy Anderson, SG, Kim Dement, ISBH, Ellen Martin, HRS, Adrienne Nagy, NA, Jordan Pepper, NA, Ruth Russell, NA, Maria Modayi, NA, and Dr. Sherry Shamblin, HHC
- Staff:** Amanda Conrath, Svea Maxwell, Marissa McDaid, Beth Mohammed, Diane Pfaff, Kim Robinson, and Sherri Tyree

Ms. Stobbs called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

- I. Adoption of Agenda**
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Dr. Gay moved to approve the agenda; Mr. Orth seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.
- II. Approval of Minutes**
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Dr. Luce moved to approve the November 27, 2023 board meeting minutes; Ms. Gallagher seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.
- III. Public Comment**
There was no public comment
- IV. Agency Updates**
- 1. Betsy Anderson, Serenity Grove**
Ms. Anderson reported they have six residents with two others expected arriving soon. She also said they are six months past the completion date of the remodel and doing well.
 - 2. Kim Dement, Integrated Services for Behavioral Health**
Ms. Dement discussed an Intensive Home Based Treatment for Children (IHBT) grant they are applying for to expand this service outside of Athens county; they will collaborate with HHC on this service.

Also, they are working on a prevention certification for the Hive program. Ms. Dement said they are working with an architect for plans for the peer house in Hocking County.

3. Adrienne Nagy, Athens NAMI

Ms. Nagy announced she is stepping down as president of NAMI Athens after serving for fifteen years in this role. She introduced Ruth Russell as the new president, Jordan Pepper as the new executive director, and Maria Modayil as the vice-president and shared their qualifications, including that Ms. Russell is certified to teach mental health first aid in Spanish. Ms. Pepper announced the Speaker Series is returning with the first in the series to be held at the Athens Public Library on Tuesday, January 30th at 6:00 p.m.

4. Ellen Martin, Health Recovery Services

Mrs. Martin reported there are 204 million people living in Ohio communities that do not have adequate access to behavioral health care services. She added that the demand for services increased 353% from 2013 to 2019, while the workforce has only increased 179%. She also said there are two dispensaries in the city of Athens that are now under the department of Commerce.

5. Dr. Sherry Shamblin, Hopewell Health Centers

Dr. Shamblin reported they are working on their annual report for HRSA which includes a lot of quality metrics. You can look up this data by going to the HRSA website and looking at uniform data system to see how HHC is doing. She also said they are reporting their annual patient centered medical home data and will host a HRSA site visit in February.

V. Staff Updates

1. Svea Maxwell, Deputy Director

Ms. Maxwell reported the following:

- The annual Records Commission will meet on February 22nd at 2:00 p.m. to discuss records retention, disposals and public requests for information.
- The Board's 5-unit apartment complex in The Plains operations grant has transferred from AMHA to ISBH. We are working with our local partners to evaluate and transition the property management of these units.
- Construction on the board office began in December with the removal of a couple of windows. Since then, progress has included: a new ADA ramp, pipe replacement to drain water away from the building, side entrance porch has been framed and is waiting on materials to complete. Once the side entrance is complete the crew will move indoors to begin Phase 2 which is anticipated to begin this week.
- Ms. Maxwell thanked staff for all of the hard work and time that has been put into preparing for this project and for their flexibility during the construction process.

2. Sherri Tyree, Community Services Manager

Ms. Tyree discussed the ARPA grant. She said Board and Gallia-Jackson-Meigs staff are working with TBD Solutions to develop a crisis services plan. There was a Meet and Greet with the Hopewell Health Centers crisis team and ABH and the consultants will also be doing offsite interviews.

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3. **Diane Pfaff, Executive Director**

Ms. Pfaff reported on the following:

- Ms. Pfaff discussed the previously approved resolution permitting the executive director to make necessary changes to the budget to close out the year; no changes were needed for the close out.
- As previously reported, Lori Criss is no longer the OMHAS director. LeeAnn Cornyn was appointed as director. Ms. Cornyn plans to visit each Board over the next six-months and met with ABH staff and affiliated board directors in January to learn about local issues and strengths.
- The Federal budget was passed through March.
- Ms. Pfaff met with Dr. Meyer and he expressed his interest in continuing conversations with the Board about upgrades to the Clem House property.
- Staff met with Athens Photographic Project to discuss artwork for the office.
- Ms. Tyree and Ms. Crum worked with other facilities on homelessness situations for two individuals. Board staff are participating in inter-agency conversations about the need for an emergency homeless shelter in Athens.
- Staff evaluations were conducted in December. The Ohio Association of County Behavioral Health Authorities (OACBHA) did a salary study and a request for adjustments for some staff will be brought to a future meeting for consideration.
- The Fraud Hotline information was included in member's packet

VI. **Executive Committee Report**

(Executive Committee was not held due to lack of quorum; agenda items covered at full board meeting.)

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Resolution 24-01-19

Corrections from the November meeting

1. Amendment to Resolution 24-11-12

Ms. Pfaff explained that Resolution 24-01-19⁸ includes corrections to amounts to funding in Resolution 24-11-12 previously approved at the November 27, 2023 meeting. Ms. Sanchez moved to approved Resolution 24-01-19⁸; Dr. Gay seconded. The motion was unanimously approved. Ms. Pfaff also reported a correction to the grant approved for the HHIS emergency shelter in Hocking County; the actual amount was \$3000 less than reported in January.

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2. SFY 2024 Monthly Financial Report

Ms. Conrath reviewed the financials. Dr. Gay moved to approve that the October, November, and December SFY 2024 financial reports be accepted as submitted and filed for audit; Ms. Rubin seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

3. Clinical Services Rate Adjustment

Ms. Pfaff reported that Medicaid increased its rates by 12.75% for services. The Board has adjusted the rate of payment for comparable non-Medicaid services for HHC, HRS and MSP. The impact of this increase will be monitored for possible future adjustments.

4. Ohio Network for Innovation Contract

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Ms. Pfaff explained that the contract is for guardianship services for two clients for 15 months at \$237.50 per client for a total of \$7,125. Dr. Luce moved to approve the contract; Mr. Orth seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

5. Office Furnishings

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Ms. Maxwell discussed the furnishings that are needed to complete the renovation project. She provided a comparison of the original value of the furnishings and the estimate for the proposed replacement, showing that when adjusted for inflation, the costs are similar and total \$45,000. The furnishings being replaced are being offered first to contract agencies and then to ReStore for Habitat for Humanity. Dr. Luce moved to approve the vendor contract for new office furnishings up to \$45,000; Ms. Sanchez seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

6. Executive Director Evaluations

Ms. Pfaff discussed the online method of evaluation being used this year. The executive assistant will send a link to the evaluation survey to the members. Once all surveys are received a summary will be created and given to the Chair to discuss with the members. Dr. Luce questioned the surveys being sent by a staff member. Ms. Pfaff explained the executive assistant creates the survey form or someone would have to be hired to do the process. The executive assistant explained the surveys are anonymous. The surveys will be sent in the next few weeks.

7. CY 2024 Appropriation Resolution

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Resolution 24-01-210

Ms. Conrath explained the need for an ~~an~~ adjustment (decrease) to the appropriation ~~increase~~ for the Osteopathic Heritage Foundation partnership so that the appropriation does not exceed the amount of money in the fund. ~~fund for \$450,000.~~ Ms. Darling moved to approve Resolution 24-01-~~2149~~ 2149 CY 2024 Appropriation; Ms. Gallagher seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

8. SOR-SOS 3.2 Provider Contracts Amendment Authorization Resolution

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Resolution 24-01-204

Ms. Conrath explained the resolution and pending notification of award from OhioMHAS. Ms. Darling moved to approve Resolution 24-01-~~204~~ 204 Provider Contracts Amendments Authorization; Ms. Gallagher seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

9. SFY 2024 Revised Budget Resolution

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Resolution 24-01-22

Ms. Conrath explained the budget resolution which has the following changes: \$100,000 was moved from 2023 Unallocated Levy to Out of Panel Providers (OOPP) to cover Indigent placements; SOS funding has been assigned to agencies as approved in the recent contract authorization; the ABH hospital in-kind was increased based on new rates from the

Department. Dr. Gay moved to approve the revised budget; Mr. Orth seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

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VII. Old Business

1. Annual Meeting

Ms. Pfaff said there was discussion at the November meeting regarding changing the month when the annual meeting is held to September. After discussion, the Board agreed the meeting will be moved to September. Ms. Pfaff said the Bylaws will need to be revised.

2. Planning for SFY 2025

Ms. Pfaff presented a revised approach for looking at a SWOT analysis for Hocking County. Staff will provide a list of all of current services in Hocking County organized by crisis, treatment, prevention and recovery supports and then apply the SWOT analysis to each sector. The Recovery supports analysis was presented and Board members were invited to provide feedback as Ms. Pfaff noted that this is a work in process. Ms. Darling wondered if Serenity Grove and Clem House should be included as they serve Hocking county residents. Mr. Orth asked if this could also be done for Athens and Vinton counties.

VIII. New Business

1. Annual Report

The Draft Annual Report was included in the packets. Ms. Gallagher moved to approve the Annual Report as submitted; Ms. Carter seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

2. May Meeting

Ms. Pfaff explained the May 27th meeting is on Memorial Day. She said in the past the meeting has been held on the following Tuesday. Dr. Luce moved to hold the May meeting on May 28th, 2024; Dr. Gay seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

IX. Other

1. OneOhio Foundation

Ms. Rubin asked about the meeting with the OneOhio Foundation. Ms. Pfaff said the region does not have yet have a representative on the state board but that Commissioner Ellason is working to convene the regional counties to choose a representative. She added that the new director of the Foundation said that the region's funding would not be lost because of this delay.

X. Adjournment

24:01:46

Ms. Rubin moved to adjourn the meeting; Ms. Gallager seconded. The motion was unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Submitted by:

Diane Pfaff
Executive Director

Jacqueline Stobbs
Acting Chair

