

LAKE COUNTY ADAMHS BOARD

Regular Board Meeting

Monday, May 22, 2023

6:00 p.m.

Lake County ADAMHS Board, One Victoria Place, Suite 201, Painesville

Mr. Sabo called the meeting to order 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Chair -- Matt Sabo

Kim Collise	Carl Dondorfer
Dave Enzerra	Mike Hatton
Roberta Kalb	Stacy Kramer
Pam Kurt	Curtis Lau
Martin Phillips	Jeffrey Taylor
Amber Torres Gonzalez	Joanne Zeroske

Members Excused:

Nicole Parker

Staff Present:

Kim Fraser, Executive Director
 Jackie Bruner, Director of Business Operations
 Dan Rowles, Director of Quality & Clinical Operations
 David Schick, Director of Marketing & Communications
 Kelly Tuttle, Secretary/Receptionist
 Milica Radivojevic, Staff Accountant

Guests:

Damir Pavicic	Bridges	Charles Tong	Lake-Geauga Recovery
Carol Casey	Bridges	Carrie Dotson	Lifeline, Inc.
Emily Currie-Manring	Catholic Charities	Matt Selker	NAMI
Shayna Jackson	Crossroads Health	Johnathan Lee	Signature Health
Karen McLeod	Extended Housing	Tia Lawrence	Torchlight
Angi Daugherty	Family Pride	Lisa Courtot	UH/Lake Health
Paul Holm	Fine Arts Association	Andrea Gutka	WomenSafe

MINUTES OF MEETING:

Ms. Kalb moved to accept the minutes of the April 17, 2023 regular Board meeting as mailed. The motion was seconded by Mr. Phillips and the Motion Passed Unanimously. (23-105)

CORRESPONDENCE:

There was no correspondence to report.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Ms. Radivojevic read the financial report of Board operations for the month of April 2023 as follows:

Beginning Cash Balance	.....	\$6,549,351.74
Plus: Cash Receipts for the Month	.....	\$1,071,158.93
Total to Account For	.....	\$7,620,510.67
Minus: Cash Disbursements for the Month	.....	\$1,187,201.56
Ending Period Adjustments		\$ 00.00
Ending Cash Journal Balance	.....	\$6,433,309.11

Ms. Zeroske moved to accept the financial report for the month of April as read. The motion was seconded by Ms. Collise and the Motion Passed Unanimously. (23-106)

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS & INTRODUCTIONS OF GUESTS:

Guests were welcomed and invited to comment on any agenda items.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Ms. Fraser announced that the FY24-25 Community Plan submitted in January has been approved.

Ms. Fraser stated she gave a thorough update on the State Budget at the Operations Committee which will be reported on later in the meeting. The Budget is currently before the Senate, and Boards are advocating to have behavioral health funding restored to the as introduced levels. The Budget will likely go through Conference Committee; the Governor must sign the final budget by June 30.

Ms. Fraser reported that the Board is in a lease with Victoria Place until 2028. With the rezoning of the building the landlord has verbally agreed to release us from our lease which means we will need to move in 6-9 months. Right now, there is a strong potential location in Mentor. In June Ms. Fraser will likely be bringing renovation costs before the Board.

Ms. Fraser shared that the Celebrity Art Auction was a huge success and thanked everyone for being part of the successful evening. We raised just under \$19,000. She noted that the event is just not about raising money but garnering support, building relationships and making friends.

Ms. Fraser announced that the Annual Dinner and Awards will be held on Tuesday, June 20th at LaMalfa at 6:00 p.m. It will be a wonderful event with Joan Englund as the keynote speaker. The hope is that SFY24 contracts get approved this evening and there is a very quick June Board meeting before the event; noting that it is not necessary for agency provider staff or their Board members to attend.

Ms. Fraser noted that during the Request for Proposal (RFP) process there were multiple hours put in on reviewing proposals, one on one meetings and group meetings with provider organizations. The numbers recommended by staff this evening is in cooperation with working together with provider agencies.

Ms. Fraser presented a power point reviewing who we serve and the goals of the RFP process. Anticipated changes/updates in SFY24 include: continued quarterly operations meetings to evaluate clear measurable clinical and fiscal outcomes and continued utilization of data dashboard at Board level to identify trends and address gaps in service. She also reviewed strategic guiding principles and our service continuum of care.

Ms. Fraser reviewed funding requests, areas of focus and proposal highlights for the SFY24 Request for Proposal's as follows:

Bridges –addition of operating assistant – on hold – revisit in the future based on funding and staff availability; increased age and acuity of clientele, greater number of off-site opportunities and warmline has transitioned to peer outreach.

Catholic Charities – minority outreach – on hold in order to rebuild – revisit in the future based on funding and staff availability; small increase in families of promise and certified Nurse Practitioner via Telehealth.

Discussion: Will the person in minority outreach lose their job? The Board does not fund positions, it funds programs.

Crossroads Health – changes in delivery of residential treatment services, crisis hotline (increase in funding due increase in calls and 988 implications); parent timeout discontinued and adjustments based on Medicaid revenue.

Extended Housing – small increase in PATH – direct service salaries and additional increases that are not sustainable at this time.

Family Pride – increase request based on annualization of SFY2023 pilot contract.

Fine Arts Association – increase request based on annualization of SFY2023 pilot contract.

Lake-Geauga Recovery Centers – recovery housing funding (investment is matched by OhioMHAS); room and board increase which supplements Medicaid residential treatment. Will reassess in the future based on potential impact of Medicaid rate increase.

Lifeline, Inc. - request a move of \$20,000 from 211 to volunteer guardianship; UWLC to share investment in 211 and increase in number of younger individuals with mental illness need guardians.

NAMI of Lake County – Friends & Family program on hold – revisit in the future based on funding and staff availability.

Northcoast Behavioral Healthcare – no substantial changes from SFY2023.

Signature Health – requested small increase in wrap around funding; new senior care and peer support programs – on hold – revisit in the future based on funding/staffing availability.

Torchlight Youth Mentoring – requested \$12,000 increase for salaries which are below reasonable levels.

University Hospitals/Lake Health – increased acuity in illness presenting in emergency departments; crisis collaborative working with regional group to develop Crisis Stabilization Center.

Windsor-Laurelwood – youth direct admit pilot.

WomenSafe – DV coordination increase request – on hold -- revisit in the future based on funding and staff availability.

After backing out pass through funding, Board operating expenses, and system-wide operating, the projected net non-Medicaid revenue available for contracting is \$12,205,550.00. The staff recommended funding amount is \$13,140,235.00. Ms. Fraser stated that if proposals are accepted as recommended by staff we would be deficit financing in the amount of \$934,685.00. She noted the amount is conservative and she was comfortable going forward with that amount. FY2023 contracts will be underspent and we anticipate reconciled dollars. Other fiscal variables to consider include: increase in Medicaid rates for behavioral health, Medicaid redetermination, post-COVID reductions, tax levy collections and the state biennium budget.

Mr. Sabo thanked Board staff and provider agency staff for the work that has been put into this process.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT:

Mr. Sabo reported that the Executive Committee met prior to the Board meeting and the following items were discussed:

On behalf of the Executive Committee, Ms. Zeroske moved the full Board enter into SFY2024 non-Medicaid contracts, as recommended by board staff and detailed on attachment with the following agencies: Bridges (\$523,351.00), Catholic Charities Services (\$120,254.00), Cleveland Rape Crisis Center (\$167,542.00), Crossroads Health (\$5,982,201.00), Extended Housing (\$1,039,030.00), Family Pride (\$86,700.00), Fine Arts Association (90,000.00), Lake Geauga Recovery Centers (\$1,267,875.00), Lifeline (\$192,000.00), NAMI (\$164,636.80), NBHS (\$1,155,442.00), Signature Health (\$814,220.00), Torchlight Youth Mentoring (\$258,500.00), UH/Lake Health (\$595,774), Windsor-Laurelwood (\$601,375), and WomenSafe (\$81,334.52). The motion was seconded by Mr. Phillips and the Motion Passed Unanimously. (23-107)

On behalf of the Executive Committee, Ms. Kalb moved that the full Board approve the approve 6-month calendar of Board meetings as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Lau and the Motion Passed Unanimously. (23-108)

On behalf of the Executive Committee, Ms. Collise moved the full Board approve SFY2024 Pass-Thru funds, pending OhioMHAS award as follows: Crossroads Health: IDTF - \$51,000.00; Extended Housing: PATH - \$109,500.00; Lake-Geauga Recovery: Women's Set-Aside - \$63,349.00; Lake-Geauga Recovery: Gambling Addiction Prevention - \$37,675.00; Lake-Geauga Recovery: Gambling Addiction Treatment - \$37,675.00; Lake-Geauga Recovery: BH&CJ Linkage Program - \$150,000.00 and Lake-Geauga Recovery: Recovery Housing - \$45,900.00. The motion was seconded by Mr. Lau and the Motion Passed Unanimously. (23-109)

*As the **EVALUATION/QUALITY IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE** did not meet since the last full Board meeting, the Board moved on to the next agenda item*

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT:

Ms. Kalb reported that the Evaluation/Quality Improvement Committee met on April 11th and the following items were discussed:

State Budget Update Ms. Fraser presented a power point on the FY24-25 Biennium Budget. The Governor's budget faired very well for behavioral health and proposed an increase in line-item 336-421. The House passed their proposed budget in this line-with a reduction to the ADAMHS based allocation by 15% (or 11 million dollars). Locally this is a potential reduction of \$427,843. The proposed budget still needs to be approved by the senate and we will continue to advocate with members to reinstate funding.

Medicaid rates were introduced with a 10% increase. Our system has been advocating for a 20% increase. The house passed a proposed 13.5% reimbursement which is a positive step, but would also increase the Board's fiscal obligation in core service reimbursement by as much as \$540,228. We will continue to advocate for the 20% increase. The DD system and nursing homes did receive a higher increase than the MH system.

During the Medicaid redetermination process it is projected that statewide up to 18% of all Medicaid recipients will be removed from Medicaid benefits. There are approximately 46,850 Medicaid recipients in Lake County with approximately 10,000 Medicaid recipients in the Lake ADAMHS system.

Ms. Fraser stated that the Governor's budget proposed increases in state hospital services, criminal justice, prevention & wellness and residential state supplement. The budget passed by the house eliminates expansion of bed capacity in the state hospital, eliminates expansion of forensic services, decreased prevention activity (specific focus on suicide prevention) and will limit access to mental health beds in adult care facilities having a lower reimbursement rate than the DD system.

Ms. Fraser noted that there are still several weeks before the final budget is presented and Boards will continue to strongly advocate for additional funding. The Board received sixteen SFY24 proposals from agencies to provide 125 programs. Board staff is going to recommend to be conservative in our investments and will reassess in six months. This was informational and no committee action was required.

Board Operating Budget Ms. Fraser reviewed the 'SFY2024 Board Operating Budget.' She noted there was no significant changes. There was a slight increase in rental facilities. The owners of Victoria Place will be changing the purpose/structure of the building so the Board office will need to move to another location. We have been locked in a low lease rate and know that rent will go up.

On behalf of the Operations Committee, Ms. Kalb moved that the full Board approve the SFY2024 Board Operating Budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. Collise and the Motion Passed Unanimously. (23-110)

Marketing Strategic Plan Mr. Schick reviewed the Marketing Plan which included goals, action steps and progress made. He also reviewed the marketing plan calendar for 2023.

Ms. Fraser noted that the overhauled marketing plan has shown tremendous growth in the last 10 months and will be of importance one year from now when we plan for the levy campaign. Local levy funding provides 65% of the ADAMHS Board budget. This was informational and no committee action was required.

Discussion: Ms. Zeroske noted the greatest challenge is the ADAMHS Board name. There are a lot of residents who do not know what the ADAMHS Board is. Ms. Fraser noted that due to the Ohio Revised Code the Board is not allowed to change its' name.

Next Meeting Date: To be determined

*As the **LONG-RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE** did not meet since the last full Board meeting, the Board moved on to the next agenda item*

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS:

Payment of Bills Ms. Kalb moved that the Board approve the May bills totaling \$ 1,662,494.87 be paid as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Lau and the Motion Passed Unanimously. (23-111)

Mr. Sabo asked if the overview staff compiled on Board committee purposes and protocols was helpful? Ms. Zeroske responded it was helpful and other members concurred saying it gave them a better understanding.

GOOD OF THE GROUP:

Mr. Tong announced the Lake-Geauga Recovery Center is holding their annual golf outing on Monday, June 26th at Quail Hollow Country Club. Sponsorship opportunities are still available.

Mr. Schick stated that t-shirts have arrived for Board members. Please see him after the meeting.

Ms. Collise shared that Thriving Threads in Perry accepts donations for clothes and shoes. They offer items free to the community and you do not have to be a Lake County resident. It is located on Manchester next to the food pantry and is open on Tuesdays and Fridays. She noted that staff told her that Signature Health caseworkers have brought clients there.

Mr. Hatton was at a veteran event at Crossroads Health and noted that the facility was nice and the staff was great.

Ms. McLeod reported that Extended Housing is turning 40 this year. The gala will be on Saturday, June 3rd at the Kirtland Country Club.

Ms. Gutka stated that Sandra would be holding a de-escalation training with the SURVIVR equipment. She was thankful to the Board for providing this opportunity.

Ms. Sabo reminded Board members to register for the annual dinner which he will not be able to attend. He thanked the Board for the opportunity to serve as chair and that staff made his job easier. He is thrilled to be part of the Board and proud of the work we do.

As there was no further business, Mr. Hatton moved for adjournment at 7:10 p.m. The motion was seconded by Mr. Lau and the Motion Passed Unanimously. (23-112)

Respectfully submitted,

Matt Sabo
Chair

Kim Collise
Secretary