



**BOARD MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, May 27, 2021 @ 4:00 PM**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Pat Williams, Board President, called the May 27, 2021 StarkMHAR (Stark County Mental Health and Addiction Recovery) video and teleconference meeting to order at 4:03 PM.

A. Adoption of Agenda

Upon motion by Richard Bennett, seconded by Mark Brink, Board members hereby adopt the agenda for the May 27, 2021 Board meeting as presented. **Ayes:** R. Bennett, E. Bowen, M. Brink, K. Catazaro-Perry, T. Dooce, S. Elton, J. Gonzalez, T. Schauer, B. Schnabel, E. Schwartz, L. Shaheen, P. Williams, D. Wilson; **Nays:** none; **Abstentions:** none. **Motion carried.**

B. Roll Call of Members

Members Present

Richard Bennett
Elizabeth Bowen
Mark Brink
Kathy Catazaro-Perry
Tom Douce
Sharla Elton
Julie Gonzalez
Taylor Schauer
Brandice Schnabel
Eileen Schwartz
Leigh Shaheen
Pat Williams
Diane Wilson

Members Absent

Rick Campbell
Mike Pomesky

Richard Bennett, Board Secretary, recognized a quorum allowing the Board to conduct business.

Staff Present

John Aller, Executive Director
Stef Fakelis, Director of Business Operations
Jill Machamer, Director of Administrative Support Services
Michele Boone, Director of Clinical Services
Allison Esber, Systems Initiative Manager
Jeannie Cool, Manager of Programs and Evaluation
Allyson Rey, Director of Marketing, Communications & Community Relations
Cheryl Metzger, Administrative Supervisor
Jen Richeson, Continuous Improvement Manager
Anju Mader, Chief Integration Officer

Guests Present

Child & Adolescent: Joe French
Coleman : Michelle Smith
CommQuest : Elaine Reolfi
NAMI : Kay Raga
Pathway: Wendy Tracy

TASC: Dave Wills
Public: Jason Brandt

C. Welcome and Introduction of Guests

Pat Williams welcomed everyone to the meeting.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. April 22, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes

Pat Williams reported that the April 22, 2021 meeting minutes (as well as resolutions and committee meeting reports) were emailed to Board members for their review prior to the Board meeting. Upon motion by Eileen Schwartz, seconded by Taylor Schauer, Board members hereby approve the April 22, 2021 Board meeting minutes as written. **Ayes:** R. Bennett, E. Bowen, M. Brink, K. Catazaro-Perry, T. Douce, S. Elton, J. Gonzalez, T. Schauer, B. Schnabel, E. Schwartz, L. Shaheen, P. Williams, D. Wilson; **Nays:** none; **Abstentions:** none. **Motion carried.**

III. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

A. May 25, 2021 Executive Committee Meeting Report

Pat Williams reported that the May 25, 2021 Executive Committee meeting minutes (as well as resolutions and committee meeting reports) were emailed to Board members for their review prior to the Board meeting. Pat reported the following items were discussed:

▪ **Contracts Executed in April**

The committee reviewed contracts executed in April 2021

▪ **SFY 2022-2023 Amendment Update**

The house added an amendment to the budget recommending a modification to the composition of county boards. Currently, county Boards have the option to have 14 or 18 Board members. The amendment is recommending that Boards be reduced to 5 to 9 members with no requirements for any Board members to have specific qualifications or coverage of certain areas (i.e., clinician, consumer, etc.).

The amendment also recommends having the commissioners appoint 80% of the Board members and the state appointing 20% instead of the current ratio of 60% by commissioners and 40% by the state. These changes are being driven by some dissension in Erie-Ottawa County. The language that is proposed is permissive.

▪ **BoardSource**

The Board has joined BoardSource. BoardSource helps Boards lay the foundation for setting board development priorities and strengthens the full board's governance performance, practices, and composition. StarkMHAR staff would like to send out a survey to Board members next month after the Executive Committee members review it to identify the gaps in the current composition.

▪ **Virtual Meetings**

The state legislature suspended in-person meetings due to COVID. Governor DeWine then extended that declaration through June 2021. The house and senate have a proposal in place to extend virtual meetings through December 2021.

Upon motion by Pat Williams, seconded by Brandice Schnabel, Board members hereby approve the May 25, 2021 Executive Committee meeting minutes as printed. **Ayes:** R. Bennett, E. Bowen, M. Brink, K. Catazaro-Perry, T. Douce, S. Elton, J. Gonzalez, T. Schauer, B. Schnabel,

E, Schwartz, L. Shaheen, P. Williams, D. Wilson: **Nays: none; Abstentions: none. Motion carried.**

IV. FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. May 20, 2021 Finance Committee Meeting Report

Sharla Elton reported that the May 20, 2021 Finance Committee meeting minutes (as well as resolutions and committee meeting reports) were emailed to Board members for their review prior to the Board meeting. Sharla reported the following items were discussed:

- **Quarterly Provider and Board Details**

Finance Committee members reviewed the quarterly reports on Provider and Board operations billings. Most Providers are under budget in their programs. Overall, they are down approximately \$3.2M. The year-to-date variance to budget is \$3.9M. Board operations are also down compared to last year due to some additional expenses from last year.

- **SFY 2022 Budget**

The SFY 2022 budget detail will be presented to the Board in June.

Upon motion by Sharla Elton, seconded by Brandice Schnabel, Board members hereby approve the May 20, 2021 Finance Committee meeting minutes as printed. **Ayes:** R. Bennett, E. Bowen, M. Brink, K. Catazaro-Perry, T. Douce, S. Elton, J. Gonzalez, T. Schauer, B. Schnabel, E, Schwartz, L. Shaheen, P. Williams, D. Wilson: **Nays: none; Abstentions: none. Motion carried.**

1. RESOLUTION 21-05-045 -- StarkMHAR March 2021 Financial Statements

Sharla Elton stated that the Finance Committee reviewed two months of financial statements and disbursements and would update the Board members when discussing Resolution 21-05-046.

RESOLVED, that upon **MOTION** by Sharla Elton, **SECONDED** by Kathy Catazaro-Perry, Stark County Mental Health & Addiction Recovery does hereby approve, upon recommendation of the Finance and Executive Committees, StarkMHAR's financial statements listed below for the period ending March 31, 2021:

- Balance Sheet
- SFY 2021 Revenue and Expense

Ayes: R. Bennett, E. Bowen, M. Brink, K. Catazaro-Perry, T. Douce, S. Elton, J. Gonzalez, T. Schauer, B. Schnabel, E, Schwartz, L. Shaheen, P. Williams, D. Wilson: **Nays: none; Abstentions: none. Motion carried.**

2. RESOLUTION 21-05-046 -- StarkMHAR April 2021 Financial Statements

Sharla Elton stated StarkMHAR had a \$15M cash balance at the end of April which is \$8M higher than the same time last year. This is due to receiving the first half levy collection and the fourth quarter funds from the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OhioMHAS) in April this year compared to May last year and the provider billings being down. Receivables are down from prior year due to provider advances and Signature Health charges.

Revenues and expenditures have not changed much from March. The providers are under budget 33% compared to this time last year. They should be at 75% of their allocation but are at about 63%

B. Schnabel, E, Schwartz, L. Shaheen, P. Williams, D. Wilson: Nays: none; Abstentions: none.
Motion carried.

IV EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

A. John Aller reported on the following:

- **State Budget**
John shared that the state budget was released by the House and is under review by the Senate. It will then move to committees. The projected date for completion is July 1, 2021. John will have more information to share next month.
- **StarkMHAR's SFY 2022 Budget**
StarkMHAR will be presenting their proposed budget next month. Funding is being proposed for workforce development which would include such things as loan forgiveness for prescribers and other incentives.

V CORRESPONDENCE/INFORMATION

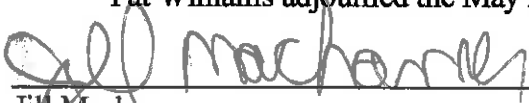
A. There was no correspondence.

VI PUBLIC COMMENT

- A. Joe French, Executive Director of Child & Adolescent Behavioral Health (C&A), shared that Sandy Vaughn retired in January 2021 from C&A after forty-five years of service. Sandy had many roles during this time; therefore, C&A worked with others to have a local park named in Sandy's name. The park is named Vaughn Park and is on Third Street.
- B. Elaine Reolfi, Executive Director of CommQuest, discussed the detox and residential services available to the community. Elaine shared that there is a detox facility in Canton. CommQuest has met with Aultman to discuss how to ensure that people are able to access the detox services they need.
- C. Joe French shared that C&A's fundraiser is called "Let your light shine". It is scheduled for August 14, 2021. The theme is Cirque De Lumiere and will include live entertainment.
- D. John Aller stated that the Domestic Violence Project is hosting a virtual fundraiser on June 3, 2021.

X ADJOURNMENT


Pat Williams adjourned the May 27, 2021 StarkMHAR Board meeting at 5:17 pm.




Jill Machamer
Director of Administrative Support Services

APPROVAL DATE:

ATTEST:



Richard Bennett, Secretary
Stark County Mental Health & Addiction
Recovery



John Aller, Executive Director
Stark County Mental Health & Addiction
Recovery