Mahoning County Mental Health and Recovery Board Meeting
February 27, 2017
Minutes

Present: Marilyn Burns, Atty. Wm. Scott Fowler, Bill Gambrel, Chief Bob Gavalier, Anna Howells, Bishop C.M. Jenkins, Anne Lally, Ruth Mastriana, Sue Paluga, Patricia Sciaretta, Eric Ungaro, Thomas Vasvari, and Linda Warino

Absent: James Bertrando, Anne Cobbin, Ken Cooper, Rocco DiGennaro, and Edgar Manning

Staff: Duane Piccirilli, Brenda Heidinger, Mark Dunlap, Toni Notaro and Aimee Schweers

Guests Dionne Almasy, Mahoning County Prosecutors Office, Vince Brancaccio, Help Hotline, Joe Caruso, Compass Family and Community Services, Scott Essad, Turning Point Counseling and Recovery, Darla Gallagher, Meridian Health Care, Jess Guzzy, Youngstown Police Department intern, Mindy Pringle, Rescue Mission intern, Joe Shorokey, Alta, and Kelli Stolae, Youngstown Police Department intern

Atty. Wm. Scott Fowler, Vice Chair, in the absence of Edgar Manning, called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

46 – 2017: Motion: Eric Ungaro – to approve the minutes of the January 23, 2017 MCMHRB meeting. Seconded: Ruth Mastriana…motion carried.

A. Chair Report

- None

B. Treasurer Report

- Mark Dunlap, Finance Director, reviewed the Balance General Ledger report for January 2017 Mahoning County MHR Board in the amount of $6,216,554.57

47– 2017: Motion: Marilyn Burns – to approve the January 2017 Treasurer's Report. Seconded: Bill Gambrel…motion carried.

- Approve blanket list of bills for January 2017

48 – 2017: Motion: Bill Gambrel – to approve the blanket list of bills for January 2017. Seconded: Eric Ungaro…motion carried.

Committee Reports

- **Program and Policy Committee (February 13, 2017)**
  - Ruth Mastriana spoke to Board about the YWCA transitional housing
  - The Young Women's Mentorship program was explained to the Board members and that the Committee recommended approval of an additional $3,000

49 – 2017: Motion: Ruth Mastriana – to approve an additional $3,000 to expand the program into Taft Elementary. Seconded: Linda Warino…motion carried.

- Ruth spoke to Board members about Dr. Brandon Davis, Pastor, St. Andrews AME Church and how his church serves our community.

Executive Director Report

- State Budget Update
- Hoarding Coalition Update
- 21st Century Cures Act Application
- Tri-County Anti-Stigma Campaign
- Shelter Plus Care Vouchers

New Business

- Duane Piccirilli updated Board Members regarding Health Officers

50 – 2017: Motion: Sue Paluga – to accept the updated list of Health Officers. Seconded: Bill Gambrel…motion carried.

- Toni Notaro explained that Pam Price, Registered Nurse, Turning Point Counseling and Recovery, also needs to be added to the list of Health Officers

51 – 2017: Motion: Linda Warino – to accept Pam Price, RN, as a Health Officer Seconded: Bill Gambrel…motion carried.

Unfinished Business

- Duane Piccirilli updated Board Members regarding the Youngstown Developmental Center (YDC). He said that a tour was given to see the property and buildings. The Ohio Director of Mental Health and Ohio Director of Development Disabilities are meeting with the Ohio Governor on Friday, March 3, 2017 to discuss the future of YDC property. There are several agencies that would like to be a part of YDC re-development to provide services for multiple populations, i.e. veterans, elderly, autism, etc. Duane stated that there are other potential buyers of the property, and that a legislative action needs to be taken by the Ohio House and Senate to turn the land over to the MCMHRB.

Board Member Remarks

- None

Provider Remarks

- Joe Caruso, Compass Family and Community Services, stated that they are having a fundraiser on April 28, 2017 at the Ford Family Center
- Others in attendance introduced themselves

52 – 2017: Motion: Sue Paluga – to go into executive session for the reason of Pending or Imminent Litigation at 5:22 p.m. Seconded: Ruth Mastriana…motion carried.

Roll Call:
Marilyn Burns – yes
Atty. Wm. Scott Fowler – yes
Bill Gambrel – yes
Chief Bob Gavalier – yes
Anna Howells – yes
Bishop C. M. Jenkins – yes

Anne Lally – yes
Ruth Mastriana – yes
Sue Paluga – yes
Patricia Sciaretta – yes
Eric Ungaro – yes
Thomas Vasvari – yes
Linda Warino – yes

53 – 2017: Motion: Bishop C.M. Jenkins – to exit executive session at 6:27 p.m. Seconded: Linda Warino…motion carried.

54 – 2017: Motion: Linda Warino – to instruct Duane Piccirilli to prepare a letter to Atty. Scott Essad, Interim Executive Director of Turning Point Counseling and Recovery. The letter should read:

> **The Mahoning County Mental Health and Recovery Board has been apprised that there are clients open at your agency that have not had contact for a significant amount of time. Best practices dictate that clients should have timely follow up care to address their needs. If a client cannot be reached after all reasonable attempts at contact have been made then the case should be terminated as appropriate.**
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> **The standard level of care for appropriate client follow up for your client base should not be more than 90 days. We understand that staffing levels have made this difficult. Please make every effort to remedy this situation.**

Seconded: Bishop C.M. Jenkins…motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

Minutes reported by:
Sue Paluga
Secretary

Minutes recorded by:
Aimee Schweers
Administrative Assistant/Prevention Trainer