

Mahoning County Mental Health and Recovery Board Meeting  
March 28, 2016  
Minutes

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**Present:** Marilyn Burns, Anne Cobbin, Rocco DiGennaro, Atty. Wm. Scott Fowler, Chief Bob Gavalier, Bishop C.M. Jenkins, Edgar Manning, Sue Paluga, Patricia Sciarretta, Atty. Nomiki Tsarnas, and Linda Warino

**Absent:** James Bertrando, Ken Cooper, Mike Cretella, Bill Gambrel, Anne Lally, Ruth Mastriana, and Eric Ungaro

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

**Guests:** Darryl Alexander, YUMADAOP, Joe Caruso, Compass Family and Community Services, Madison Goske, Rescue Mission, Larry Moliterno, Meridian Health Care, and Joe Shorokey, Alta Care Group

Edgar Manning, Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

**61 – 2016: Motion: Sue Paluga – to approve the minutes of the February 22, 2016 MCMHRB meeting. Seconded: Bishop C.M. Jenkins...motion carried.**

**Officer Reports**

**A. Chair Report**

- none

**B. Treasurer Report**

- In the absence of Bill Gambrel, Treasurer, Mark Dunlap, Finance Director, reviewed the Balance General Ledger report for February 2016 Mahoning County MHR Board in the amount of \$6,321,901.58

**62 – 2016: Motion: Chief Bob Gavalier – to approve the February 2016 Treasurer’s Report. Seconded: Rocco DiGennaro...motion carried.**

- Approve blanket list of bills for February 2016

**63– 2016: Motion: Atty. Wm. Scott Fowler – to approve the blanket list of bills for February 2016. Seconded: Sue Paluga...motion carried.**

**Committee Reports**

• **Executive Committee (March 14, 2016)**

- Mark Dunlap explained the cost of the agency’s car lease. The review showed that the current lease is not more cost effective than paying employees mileage for travel.

**64– 2016: Motion: Linda Warino – to approve not leasing a new car for the MCMHRB. Seconded: Bishop C.M. Jenkins...motion carried.**

- Edgar Manning discussed the evaluation of Duane Piccirilli, Executive Director.

**65 – 2016: Motion: Linda Warino – to approve a salary increase of 2.5% effective July 1, 2016 for Duane Piccirilli. Seconded: Atty. Nomiki Tsarnas...motion carried.**

- **Ways and Means Committee (March 21, 2016)**

- FYI: Larry Moliterno, Joe Caruso and Joe Shorokey discussed the behavioral health re-design.
- Discussion regarding audits and management letters of the agencies that are under contract with the Board.

**66 – 2016: Motion: Patricia Sciarretta – to approve the audits and authorize Duane Piccirilli to write a letter to each of the audit contract agency Board chairs requesting a response to the management letter contained in the SFY2016 audit. Seconded: Atty. Nomiki Tsarnas...motion carried.**

- FYI: Discussion of Turning Point Counseling Services' line of credit being cancelled. Duane Piccirilli and Edgar Manning met with the Turning Point Board and said the Turning Point Board will report back with solutions.
- Discussed the \$8,500 pass through permanent support housing grant for Homestead House with Meridian Health Care.

**67 – 2016: Motion: Sue Paluga – to accept the grant of \$8,500 for Homestead House. Seconded: Patricia Sciarretta...motion carried.**

- Discussion of increasing the contract for translation services at Organizacion Civica y Cultural Hispana Americana (OCCHA) from \$10,000 to \$25,000.

**68 – 2016: Motion: Linda Warino – to approve the increase of the contract for translation services at OCCHA. Seconded: Marilyn Burns...motion carried.**

- **Program and Policy**
  - No Report
- **Community Relations and Marketing Committee**
  - No Report

Linda Warino inquired about the parking situation when the MCMHRB moves to new location. Mark Dunlap explained that the MCMHRB will contract with Youngstown Central Area Community Improvement Corporation (TCACI) for 10 spaces, at \$50/space, for a total of \$6,000/year.

**69 – 2016: Motion: Atty. Wm. Scott Fowler – to approve Duane Piccirilli to enter into a contract with TCACI in an amount, not to exceed, \$6,000 for parking. Seconded: Linda Warino...motion carried.**

**Executive Director Report**

Duane Piccirilli discussed the following:

- Stepping Up Campaign
- Margaret Clark Morgan Foundation
- HealthPath Foundation
- Sober Living House for Women
- Mercy Health CEO

- Shelter Plus Care Vouchers
- Recovery Conference
- Brenda Heidinger, Associate Director, explained the MACSIS Replacement. She stated that the State system will no longer be functional and that the MCMHRB, along with other Heartland East member Boards, are working together to purchase a new software system. The approximate cost for MCMHRB will be a \$20,000/one-time payment, and \$1,500/month.
- Community Psychiatrists

**Unfinished Business**

- none

**New Business**

- None

**Board Member Remarks**

- None

**Provider Remarks**

Joe Shorokey, Alta Care Group

- April 5, 2016 will be a press conference to present new name.
- Camp Challenge renovations almost complete.

Larry Moliterno, Meridian Health Care

- Administration now at new office in Boardman.
- The building on N. Meridian Rd. serves as the location for a central counseling model, as well as, true integrated healthcare, with expanded admissions. Larry explained that they are serving up to 10 walk-ins in a day.

Joe Caruso, Compass Family and Community Services

- Starting April 1, 2016, there will be a full time psychiatrist on staff.
- Renovations to the building in Warren taking place.
- The Country Music Fundraiser at DeYor will be April 29, 2016.

Darryl Alexander, YUMADAOP


- Drug Free communities grant submitted 2 weeks ago. Target audience will be lower East side of Youngstown, working with youth.
- State UMADAOP received a grant to work with children of incarcerated parents.
- Warren UMADAOP has been defunded; therefore Youngstown's UMADAOP is working with Trumbull MHMRB to provide services in Trumbull County.

The meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Minutes reported by:

  
Sue Paluga  
Secretary

Minutes recorded by:

  
Aimee Schweers  
Administrative Assistant/Prevention Trainer