

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

- Present: James Bertrando, Marilyn Burns, Ken Cooper, Rocco DiGennaro, Atty. Wm. Scott Fowler, Chief Bob Gavalier, Anne Lally, Edgar Manning, Ruth Mastriana, Sue Paluga, Patricia Sciarretta, Eric Ungaro, and Thomas Vasvari
- Absent: Anne Cobbin, Bill Gambrel, Anna Howells, Bishop C.M. Jenkins, and Linda Warino
- Staff: Duane Piccirilli, Brenda Heidinger, Mark Dunlap, and Aimee Schweers
- Guests: Joe Caruso, Compass Family and Community Services, Angela DiVito, Coalition for a Drug Free Mahoning County, Mindy Pringle, Rescue Mission intern, Joe Shorokey, Alta, and Kelli Stolae, Youngstown Police Department intern, and Nancy Voitus, Catholic Charities.

Edgar Manning called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

55 – 2017: Motion: Sue Paluga – to approve the minutes of the February 27, 2017 MCMHRB meeting. Seconded: Eric Ungaro...motion carried.

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 2017 Mahoning County MHR Board in the amount of \$6,230,995.58

56 – 2017: Motion: Rocco DiGennaro – to approve the February 2017 Treasurer’s Report. Seconded: Eric Ungaro...motion carried.

- Approve blanket list of bills for February 2017

57 – 2017: Motion: Sue Paluga – to approve the blanket list of bills for February 2017. Seconded: Anne Lally...motion carried.

Committee Reports

- **Community Relations and Marketing Committee (March 13, 2017)**
 - Discussion of MHRB levy
 - Discussion regarding anti-stigma campaign on WFMJ TV. The Mahoning, Trumbull and Columbiana County Boards are developing ads in conjunction with WFMJ. MCMHRB discussed portraying success stories and positive spots for its media campaign.
- **Ways and Means Committee (March 20, 2017)**
 - Discussion of MHRB levy
 - Update of SFY 2017 large contracts
 - Joe Caruso, Compass Family and Community Services spoke to Board regarding need for psychiatric services and asked the Board for support for recruitment.

58 – 2017: Motion: Ken Cooper – to approve the Board provide up to \$30,000.00 for year for 2 years to assist in recruiting a psychiatrist to be shared amongst the network of care. Seconded: Chief Bob Gavalier...motion carried. James Bertrando abstained.

Executive Director Report

- Discussion about respite dollars from OMHAS to possibly use the money to sponsor programs for consumers
- Justice and Mental Health Collaboration grant application between JJC, MCMHRB, Alta, and Compass
- Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Site-based Program grant application with Mercy Health, Youngstown
- Behavioral Health Redesign
- Ohio Text Line

Unfinished Business

- YDC Update. Many agencies are interested in space i.e. Area Agency on Aging and Jewish Community Center. Meridian Community Care would be the property managers of the facility.

New Business

- None

Board Member Remarks

- Rocco DiGennaro said the Commons at Madison are very nice and that the contractor intends to turn the building over for occupancy by mid-July.
- Eric Ungaro praised Ruth Mastriana and her work at the Yes Fest at Mooney. Eric stated that a Yes Fest will take place at Howland High School in the future.

Provider Remarks

Joe Caruso, Compass Family and Community Services

- 17 seats left for benefit
- Stated that the Commons at Madison will be advertised for potential clients through Youngstown Metropolitan Housing Authority. There are forty 1 bedroom units for up to 2 adults (no children)

Joe Shorokey, Alta

- Signed a contract with Children's Services Board for intensive home-based treatment
- Thanked the Board for the money to recruit a psychiatrist
- From Mahoning County District Board of Health, received a grant of \$290,000 as a community HUB for infant mortality

Angela DiVito, DFMC

- Parent event at Boardman regarding how to talk to teens about difficult topics had over 60 parents attend. Eleven providers were there with information for attendees
- Boardman Schools requested a program about grief surrounding overdose deaths
- October 13, 2017 Bureau of Workers Compensation Safety Conference asked to provide 5 spots concerning addiction

- AHEC is pairing NEOMED students with MH providers for 2 week experiential learning opportunities
 - AHEC is also developing prescribing protocol education material
- Nancy Voitius, Catholic Charities
- COA audit was successful
 - "Men Who Cook" fundraiser to be Saturday May 13, 2017 at the Embassy

59 – 2017: Motion: Eric Ungaro – to go into executive session for the reason of Pending or Imminent Litigation at 5:45 p.m. Seconded: Tom Vasvari...motion carried.

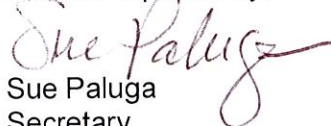
Roll Call:

James Bertrando - yes
Marilyn Burns – yes
Ken Cooper – yes
Rocco DiGennaro - yes
Atty. Wm. Scott Fowler – yes
Chief Bob Gavalier – yes
Anne Lally – yes
Edgar Manning - yes
Ruth Mastriana – yes
Sue Paluga – yes
Patricia Sciaretta – yes
Eric Ungaro – yes
Thomas Vasvari – yes

60 – 2017: Motion: Ken Cooper– to exit executive session at 6:18 p.m. Seconded: Pat Sciaretta...motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 6:18 p.m.

Minutes reported by:


 Sue Paluga
 Secretary

Minutes recorded by:


 Aimee Schweers
 Administrative Assistant/Prevention Trainer