

Board Meeting Minutes July 15, 2025 4:30 PM

Board Members Present: Carol Henderson, Lance Grahn, Charles Baldwin, Laura Green, Louise Kline, Maria Placanica, John Hugley, Teri Lacy, Rachel Nader, Kevin Stringer, Curtis Green, Julia Wike*, Tom Harwood

Board Members Absent: Robert Walton, Laurie Perry

<u>Staff Present</u>: April Caraway, Carie Garris, Katie Cretella, John Myers, Kim Walker, Holly Williams, Patty Shepherd, Laura Domitrovich, Valdeoso "Bud" Patterson, Lauren Thorp*

<u>Guests</u>: Adria Rovnyak*-Glenbeigh; David Stillwagon–COMPASS & CCA; Ava Jessup-Fields-Gloris Counseling Services; Atty Brendan Keating; Sue Bancroft*–Valley Health Services; Matt Kresic*–Cadence Care Network; Yvette Clemons-Coleman Health Services*; Rebecca Bayley*–Belmont Pines; Michael Nyers*–NAMI MV; Vince Paolucci *-Alta Behavioral Health; Hope Haney*–NAMI MV.

*Denotes Virtual Attendees

Preliminary

- 1. President Carol Henderson called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM.
- 2. President Carol Henderson led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3. Secretary Teri Lacy called the roll of members and certified that a quorum was present.
- 4. President Carol Henderson recognized guests and staff.
- 5. Attorney Brendan Keating administered the oath of office to new board officers, Lance Grahn as President, Kevin Stringer as Vice President, John Hugley as Treasurer, and Teri Lacy as returning Secretary.
- 6. Kevin Stringer made a motion, seconded by Louise Kline, to approve the June 17, 2025 Board meeting minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

Report from the Executive Director

1. State Update – ED April Caraway provided an update on the OneOhio Foundation Funds. She reminded the Board that Trumbull and Mahoning counties comprise Region 7 and there are 19 regions in the state. In the first round of funding 50 million was distributed statewide and our region received \$2.88M. Regional boards reviewed applications and recommended projects to the OneOhio Foundation for funding consideration. One program that was awarded funding in our region is a partnership between Travco and Trumbull County Children Services to provide family

- recovery housing for three families. The new round of funding is \$40 million statewide, which will result in approximately \$500,000 less in community funding for Region 7.
- 2. Local Update ED Caraway shared the ongoing progress at the Pine BH Crisis Center. The contractors are on target to have their work completed on September 11, 2025. Then the furniture will be put in place. The next walk through is Wednesday, August 6, 2025 at 1:00 PM. Coleman also has been given approval for phase 2 and they hope to have that done in October. There have been discussions about the ribbon cutting and Coleman's marketing department has agreed to help plan it. The residential side will be called Sister Jean's Lighthouse.
 ED Caraway then shared that Katie Cretella provided a six week notice when she resigned, and has agreed to continue to assist us through a consultant contract. We have received 8 applications and interviewed 2 candidates. ED Caraway also announced that there are no meetings of the Board in August. There will be a new board member orientation on Tuesday, August 5, 2025 at 4:00 PM in our upstairs conference room. Members interested in attending should confirm with Carie so that enough binders are created. President Lance Grahn encouraged members to attend as it is a good refresher for members.
- 3. Finance Reports –Patty Shepherd reviewed the June 2025 unaudited revenue and expenditure reports. She placed 97% as opposed to 100% at the top of the last column of the report as a reminder that expense accounts stay open until September 30th to pay invoices from FY24. This time of year is focused on closing old purchase orders, opening new ones for the new fiscal year, and reconciling accounts and data. An update was provided for the capital grant funding for the Pine project. We are still waiting on 90% of the OhioMHAS capital grant that was reallocated from Washington Street to Pine.

Committee Reports

- 1. Addictions and Mental Health Program Committee President, Lance Grahn reported on the meeting held July 1, 2025. He said that from this month's presenters, board staff member Laura Domitrovich and Katie Donofrio of Cadence Care Network, the committee learned about the Board's Early Childhood programming. Cadence, PsyCare, and Alta work with daycares and preschools to address behavioral concerns through teacher consultation or student intervention. This service has proven to decrease preschool expulsion rates.
- 2. Budget and Finance Committee No meeting to report.
- 3. Administrative Committee No meeting to report.

Announcements/Community Partnerships/Information

- 1. ED Caraway reminded the board that the annual golf outing levy fundraiser will be on Friday, August 1, 2025. The event has been moved to a new location, Old Avalon Golf Course. We are still accepting teams and donations. This is the only fundraiser we do to support the levy campaign.
- 2. ED Caraway reiterated that the new board member orientation will be held on Tuesday, August 5, 2025 at 4:00 PM.
- 3. The ASAP Recovery Rally will be Saturday, September 20, 2025 at the Eastwood Field. Carol Henderson shared as someone who has worked in the field of recovery, it is always good to attend and see that someone that you worked with in the past is still alive, sober, and doing well.
- 4. ED Caraway encouraged everyone to read the media items that were included in the board packet. We received good media coverage in regards to Judge Campbell's reallocation of funds to the TCMHRB for recovery services in the jails.

New Business

- 1. Tom Harwood made a motion to approve the June 2025 Revenue and Expenditure Report held subject to audit. Carol Henderson seconded the motion, which was passed unanimously.
- 2. Laura Green continued the discussion about the progress of the Pine Crisis Center, stating that to see how far it has come is exciting. Tom Harwood shared with attendees who may not be familiar with the project that this was a \$5M investment, including money from our reserve, but the need was great and it was important to get the project off the ground. April stated that our next project need is a playground for the children who will stay there. We do not have the funding at this time, but she was open to suggestions for anyone willing to help, including interested donors. Kevin Stringer offered his assistance to find donors.

Adjournment

With no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 5:15 PM on a motion by Rachel Nader, seconded by Kevin Stringer.

Next Board Meeting - September 16, 2025 at 4:30 PM

Lance Grahn, President

Teri Lacy, Secretary

9-11-2025

April J. Caraway, Executive Director

Date