



Board Meeting Minutes
November 18, 2025 4:30 PM

Board Members Present: Carol Henderson, Lance Grahn, Laura Green, Teri Lacy, Rachel Nader*, Matt Martin*, Kevin Stringer, Julia Wike, Robert Walton, Curtis Green, John Hugley, Maria Placanica

Board Members Absent: Laurie Perry, Louise Kline, Tom Harwood

Staff Present: Carie Garris, Lauren Thorp, April Caraway, Laura Domitrovich, Valdeoso "Bud" Patterson, Patricia Shepherd, Kim Walker, Daniela Ghizzoni

Guests: Adria Rovnyak*, Glenbeigh; Suzette Miller*, Generations Behavioral Health; Vince Paolucci*, Alta Behavioral Health; Mark Frisone*, AxessPointe Family Services; Matt Kresic*, Cadence Care Network; Joe Caruso*, Mercy Behavioral Health; Renee Klaric*, Valley Health Services.

*Denotes Virtual Attendees

Preliminary

1. President Lance Grahn called the meeting to order at 4:34 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Teri Lacy called the roll of members and certified that a quorum was present.
3. President Lance Grahn recognized guests and staff.
4. Robert Walton made a motion, seconded by Laura Green, to approve the October 21, 2025 Board meeting minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

Report from the Executive Director

1. There were no State updates to report.
2. Local Update – ED Caraway gave updates regarding the Behavioral Health Crisis Center and Sister Jean's Lighthouse. Coleman is now processing the bills for phase II and our special projects accountant, Holly Williams, is ensuring that everything is charged to the appropriate cost center. Coleman has received the occupancy permit. The plan is for Coleman staff to move into the building on November 25th. The Urban League has hired additional staff for the supportive housing side of the center. Part of their new employee onboarding will be

Mental Health First Aid Training. The planned date for residents to begin moving in is December 1, 2025. There was an on-site meeting with AVI foods to discuss providing a “marketplace” for food for staff and those coming in crisis.

3. ED Caraway asked members to review the FY25 Annual Report. She shared that applicants are being interviewed for the Addictions Program Coordinator. Members discussed and agreed to cancel December meetings of the Board. The 2026 meeting schedule was included in the board packet. Prompted by board member Robert Walton’s question, ED Caraway shared that Insight’s Emergency Department is open. One meeting occurred regarding BH services at the hospital and another is to be scheduled. Insight has an inter-hospital agreement with St. Joseph’s for patient transfers.
4. Finance Reports –Patty Shepherd, CFO reviewed the October 2025 unaudited revenue and expenditure reports. The numbers in her report reflect where the budget stands one-third of the way through our fiscal year. Overall revenue is 42% of the budget. Budget adjustments recommended by the Budget and Finance Committee of the Board will be reflected on the December report, once approved. She also reported on the Year End Budget versus Actual report for Fiscal Year 2025. Adjustments were made within each provider’s line items with no increases in funding.

Committee Reports

1. Addictions and Mental Health Program Committee – Vice President, Kevin Stringer gave a brief report on the November 4, 2025 meeting in which staff members Laura Domitrovich and Kim Walker gave an overview of all Board-funded, school-based programs throughout the county. The Annual Report was also reviewed.
2. Budget and Finance Committee – Treasurer, John Hugley provided a summary of the meeting held on Monday, November 10, 2025 as presented in the committee’s minutes provided in the Board packet.
3. Administrative Committee – A meeting will be scheduled for January.

Announcements/Community Partnerships/Information

1. ED Caraway announced that OACBHA CEO Liz Henrich has resigned after a year in the position. She stated there will be a meeting in December to discuss the culture of the Association and to give feedback about expectations for the next CEO.
2. ED Caraway referenced the Ohio Suicide Prevention Foundation’s article, “Lethal Means Safety.” She shared that the use of firearms in suicide attempts has increased in the female population. In response to the prevalence of deaths by firearms, the Board has been providing gun locks at Health Fairs. She encouraged everyone to consider joining the Suicide Prevention Coalition led by the Board’s Director of Clinical Services, Daniela Ghizzoni.
3. Two flyers were included in the Board packet regarding requested donations for community organizations. The Board is collecting non-perishable items until Friday, November 21, 2025 for the Christy House Thanksgiving dinner. We are also collecting toiletries, both travel and regular sizes, to give to the Salvation Army’s shower program and Sister Jean’s Lighthouse supportive housing.

New Business

1. Maria Placanica made a motion to approve the October 2025 Revenue and Expenditure Report held subject to audit. Kevin Stringer seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
2. Robert Walton made a motion to approve the recommendation of the Budget and Finance Committee to accept the FY2026 Budget revisions. Julia Wike Seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
3. Teri Lacy made a motion to approve the FY2025 Year End Report. Kevin Stringer seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
4. Kevin Stringer made a motion to approve the FY2025 Annual Report. Laura Green seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

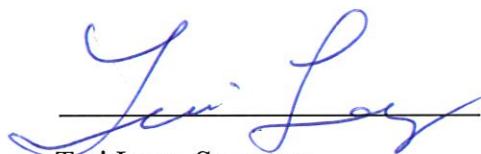
Adjournment

With no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 5:14 PM on a motion by Kevin Stringer seconded by Carol Henderson.

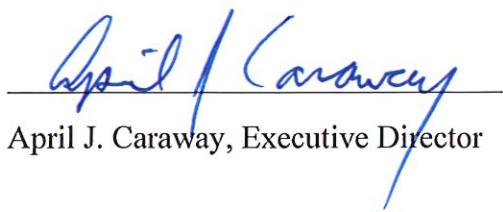
Next Board Meeting – January 20, 2026 at 4:30 PM



Lance Grahn, President



Teri Lacy, Secretary



April J. Caraway, Executive Director



Date

