

MHMR of Tarrant County
Board Meeting Minutes
April 25, 2023

Members Present:

- Carolyn Sims, Chair
- Bob Brown, Vice Chair
- Lea Ann Capel, Secretary
- Carey Cockerell
- Roy Griffin
- Brandon Teague
- Lyn Willis
- Mario Perez
- Cheryl Bean
- Chief Henry Reyes, Ex-officio Member

Executive Staff Present:

- Susan Garnett, Chief Executive Officer
- Catherine Carlton, Chief of Staff/Chief of Disability Services
- Aaron Bovos, Chief Financial Officer
- Ramey Heddins, Chief of Behavioral Health Services
- Laura Kender, Chief of Child and Family Services
- Charles Hoffman, Assistant Center Administrator
- Dr. Carol Nati, Chief Medical Officer
- Grace White, Chief Nursing / Quality Officer
- Diana Awde, Chief Information Officer
- Bill Eaton, DS Program Administrator
- Aleed Rivera, General Counsel
- Victoria San Martin, Board Liaison

Guests Present:

Dr. Douglas Segars, Staff
Nora Tornero, Staff
Kristin Alonzo, Staff

Call to Order

Carolyn Sims, Chair, called the meeting to order at 12:03 p.m.; a quorum was present.

Comments from Chairperson

- Good afternoon, everyone.
- We will start the meeting with Victoria San Martín taking roll.
- The next Program Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 22, 2023, at noon.
 - I would also like to share that Carey Cockerell will be the Program Committee Chair.
- The next Business Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 24, 2023, at noon.
- The next Regular meeting of the Board is scheduled for Tuesday, May 30, 2023, at noon.

- Upcoming Community Advisory Committee meetings are listed at the bottom of your agenda. Be sure to double check the meeting location as they may be in person, postponed, canceled or virtual.
- I would also like to point out next to your binder is this year's board self-assessment. If you would, please complete those and have back to Victoria by May 15.

Comments from Citizens

None at this time.

Special Recognition

Susan Garnett recognized the six MHMR Fort Worth Magazine Top Doctors 2023. Dr. Carol Nati and Dr. Douglas Segars were present to accept their certificates.

Board Training

Aaron Bovos introduced Kristin Alonzo who presented the proposed fiscal year 2023 mid-year budget.

Committee Updates

1. **Disability Services CAC** (Catherine Carlton) – The committee update was provided in the Board packet.
2. **Homeless CAC** (Ramey Heddins) - The committee update was provided in the Board packet.
3. **Early Childhood Wellness Council** (Laura Kender) - The committee update was provided in the Board packet.
4. **Program Committee** (Carolyn Sims) - The committee update was provided in the Board packet.
5. **Business Committee** (Lyn Willis) - The committee update was provided in the Board packet.
6. **MHMR Foundation** (Twanda Wadlington) – Foundation Impact Summary were provided in the Board packet. Dr. Wadlington also highlighted an upcoming donor appreciation event.
7. **Texas Council Update** (Bob Brown) – Bob Brown provided an overview of what Texas Council of Community Centers is and how Texas Council advocates for our system of care when it comes to mental health, intellectual and developmental disabilities, and youth.

Consent Agenda Items

Approval of Minutes of the February 28, 2023, Board Meeting

Resolved, by the Board of Trustees, that the February 28, 2023, Board Meeting Minutes are approved.

Motion: Made by Carey Cockerell and seconded by Roy Griffin that the Consent Agenda item is approved; and the motion passed unanimously.

Action Agenda Items

Approval of the Mid-Year Amendment to the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget

Resolved, that the Board of Trustees, approve that the Fiscal Year 2023 (FY23) General Fund Budget Amendment as presented in Exhibit A.

Motion: Made by Lyn Willis and seconded by Lea Ann Capel that the Action Agenda item is approved; and the motion passed unanimously.

Approval to Submit a Grant Application to the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) for Other Victim Assistance Grants (OVAG) Program

Resolved, by the Board of Trustees, that the Board has considered and supports presenting an application to the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) for the Other Victim Assistance Grant (OVAG) and that in the event of loss or misuse of the grant funds, the Board of Trustees assures the return of all funds to the OAG grant funds.

Resolved, by the Board of Trustees, that it hereby authorizes the submission of an application for the Other Victim Assistance Grants (OVAG) Program to the Office of the Attorney General (OAG). In the event of loss or misuse of the grant funds, the MHMR Board of Trustees assures that the funds will be returned to the Office of the Governor in full.

It is further resolved, the Board of Trustees designates Susan Garnett, CEO, as the grantee's authorized official. The authorized official is given the power to apply for, accept, reject, alter or terminate the grant on behalf of MHMR.

It is further resolved, the Board of Trustees authorizes the Board Resolutions included in Exhibit A.

Motion: Made by Mr. Griffin and seconded by Mario Perez that the Action Agenda item is approved; and the motion passed unanimously.

Approval to Amend Schedule 2 of Fiscal Year 2023, Expense Contracts, to Amend an Existing Agreement with Tarrant County Homeless Coalition for Mobile Housing Assessors in an Amount of \$744,000 and for a One-Time Payment for Housing Supports in an Amount of \$700,000 for a Total Amount of \$1,444,000 for FY23.

Resolved, by the Board of Trustees, that it authorizes and approves the amendment of Schedule 2 of Fiscal Year 2023, Expense Contracts, to amend an existing agreement with Tarrant County Homeless Coalition for mobile housing assessors in an amount of \$744,000 and for a one-time payment for housing supports in an amount of \$700,000 for a total amount of \$1,444,000 for FY23.

Further Resolved, that the Chief Executive Officer is authorized to execute such documents, instruments and agreements as reasonably necessary and appropriate to amend the current Tarrant County Homeless Coalition agreement.

Motion: Made by Mr. Perez and seconded by Ms. Willis that the Action Agenda item is approved; and the motion passed unanimously.

Approval to Amend Schedule 1 of Fiscal Year 2023, Revenue Contracts, to Add an Additional \$449,291 to an Existing Agreement with Fort Worth Independent School District to Provide Student and Support Services.

Resolved, by the Board of Trustees, that this authorizes and approves the amendment of Schedule 1 of Fiscal Year 2023, Revenue Contracts, to add an additional \$449,291 to an existing agreement with Fort Worth Independent School District (FWISD) to provide student and support services.

Further Resolved, that the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) or designee is hereby authorized and directed to take such action as reasonably necessary to negotiate and execute the contracts and agreements between MHMR and FWISD.

Motion: Made by Mr. Perez and seconded by Mr. Griffin that the Action Agenda item is approved; and the motion passed unanimously.

March Financials

Mr. Bovos reviewed March Financials and noted that there will no longer be a separate document titled What Finance Wants You to Know; this information will be included in the memo page. Mr. Bovos mentioned that the mid-year budget changes are reflected in the March financials. He shared the month of March ended in positive note due to Charity Care being received. Ms. Garnett explained the meaning of "drawing down funds," which programs are affected by this and provided examples in Substance Use Disorder and Intermediate Care Facility (ICF).

CEO Report

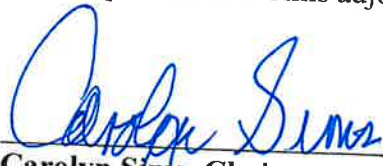
- Revenue/Expenditures – There were no updates.
- 1115 Transition (Directed Payment Program) Update – Ms. Garnett reiterated the discussion from the financial report and provided explanation on DPP and the enhanced payments based on services provided; being a Certified Community Behavioral Health Center (CCBHC) to get additional enhanced payment; This will be the type of funding over the next 10 years.
- Legislative Update: Legislative session is almost over. Texas had a lot of funding available, and lots of discussion on what and how it should be used, including:
 - i. Additional funding to provide additional capacity in mental health services and disability services as well as some funding in early childhood services;
 - ii. Expansion of local grants for collaborations with communities;
 - iii. Workforce funding; and
 - iv. Competency Restoration in hospitals.

Executive Session

As authorized by Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, the Board of Trustees reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session at any time during the course of this meeting to seek legal advice from its Attorney about any matters listed on the agenda.

Adjourn

Made by Mr. Griffin and seconded by Mr. Cockerell that the April 25, 2023, meeting is adjourned. The motion passed. Ms. Sims adjourned the meeting at 1:09 p.m.



Carolyn Sims, Chair



Lea Ann Capel, Secretary