

**MHMR of Tarrant County
Board Meeting Minutes
March 29, 2022**

Members Present:

- Carolyn Sims, Chair
- Bob Brown, Vice Chair
- Lea Ann Capel, Secretary
- Carey Cockerell
- Roy Griffin
- Linda Harman
- Brandon Teague
- Lyn Willis
- T. Ware
- Chief Henry Reyes, Ex-officio Member

Executive Staff Present:

- Susan Garnett, Chief Executive Officer
- Catherine Carlton, Chief of Staff/Chief of Disability Services
- Lucas Wilson, 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
- Thomas Bledsoe, Chief Human Resources Officer
- Aleed Rivera, General Counsel
- Victoria San Martin, Board Liaison

Guests Present:

Natalie Rose – Judge Glen Whitley Office
Richard Vickers – Citizen
Ciara McCarthy – Citizen
Rand Otten, Staff
Paul Duncan, Staff

Call to Order

Carolyn Sims, chair, called the meeting to order at 12:02 p.m.; a quorum was present.

Comments from Vice-Chairperson

1. Good afternoon, everyone.
2. We will start the meeting with Victoria San Martin taking roll.
3. The next Program Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 18, 2022, at noon.
4. The next Business Committee meeting will be Thursday, April 21, 2022, at 9 a.m.

5. The next Regular meeting of the Board is scheduled for Tuesday, April 26, 2022, at noon.
6. 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 held virtually.
7. MHMR is the Host Center for Texas Council Conference this year.
 - a. June 21 – 23 at the Omni Hotel in Fort Worth
 - b. Registration is now open, if you would like to attend let Ms. San Martin know.

Comments from Citizens

None at this time.

Board Training

Laura Kender presented on Help Me Thrive, an expansion of Help Me Grow.

Committee Updates

1. **Disability Services CAC** (Catherine Carlton) – The committee update was provided in the Board packet. Ms. Carlton highlighted National Alliance for Direct Support Professionals profession development progress.
2. **Program Committee** (T. Ware) - The committee update was provided in the Board packet.
3. **Business Committee** (Lyn Willis) - The committee update was provided in the Board packet.
4. **MHMR Foundation** (Rand Otten) – The Foundation Impact Summary was provided in the Board packet. Rand Otten provided an overview of 2021 Annual Report for the Foundation.
5. **Texas Council Update** (Bob Brown) – No update this month.

Consent Agenda Items

Approval of Minutes of the February 22, 2022, Board Meeting

Resolved, by the Board of Trustees, that the January 25, 2022, Board Meeting Minutes are approved.

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

CEO Report

- **2nd Quarter Compliance Report** – Paul Duncan reviewed the 2nd quarter compliance report.
- **Revenue/Expenditures Update** – Susan Garnett shared an update:
 - i. JPS Health Network- SBIRT SAMHSA Uplift Grant- MHMR will provide services for 24 individuals at MHMR's Pine Street Intensive Residential Program, which provides 30-day intensive therapeutic, training, and educational experiences in a non-hospital residential setting. In addition, MHMR will provide 12-week outpatient treatment services for 60 patients with SUD for assessment, education, group and individual outpatient therapy. This includes chemical dependency treatment services for adults and women with children.

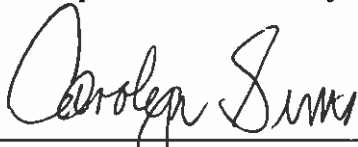
- **1115 Transition** – Ms. Garnett shared that the new version of 1115 has begun. Shared program chiefs are focusing on how the agency delivers services. Final payment for DSRIP is in July.
- **COVID-19 Update** – Dr. Carol Nati shared that COVID-19 cases have decreased. Staff in clinics are still masking like other healthcare providers in Tarrant County.
- **Diversion Center** – Ms. Garnett shared that in early March, the center expanded to Fort Worth and Arlington police departments.
 - i. There is an advisory committee that meets regularly, and Ramey Heddins has been asked to attend once a month to provide Commissions Court an update.
 - ii. MHMR hosted leaders from StarCare earlier this month for a tour of the Diversion Center.
- **360 West Top Docs** – Ms. Garnett recognized four MHMR Top Docs from 360 West Magazine who were selected by their peers.
 - i. Dr. Carol Nati, Psychiatry
 - ii. Dr. Douglas Segars, Psychiatry
 - iii. Dr. Alesha Hill, Pediatric Psychiatry
 - iv. Dr. Justin Dyniewski, Psychiatry
- **Chula Chaser Donation** – Catherine Carlton shared that last month the Chula Chasers presented MHMR with a check for \$86,366.33.

Executive Session

There was no need for an Executive Session.

Adjourn

Made by T. Ware and seconded by Ms. Harman that the March 29, 2022, meeting is adjourned. The motion passed. Ms. Sims adjourned the meeting at 1:10 p.m.



Carolyn Sims, Chair



Lea Ann Capel, Secretary