

**COUNTY OF SUMMIT  
ALCOHOL, DRUG ADDICTION & MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES BOARD**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

**Tuesday, February 24, 2009**

**MINUTES**

**- As Amended -**

**Board Members Present:**

**Thomas F. Haskins, Jr., Chair  
Kevin K. Crum  
Lois A. Foster  
Michael J. Irby  
Todd M. Ivan, M.D.  
Dawn R. Jones  
Gordon Keaton  
Linda L. Marcum  
Patrick A. McGown  
Ronald A. Rett  
George Wertz  
Christine Yuhasz**

**Board Members Absent:**

**David E. Martin (excused)  
Milan P. Salchak (excused)  
Jules F. Sauvageot (excused)  
David J. Peter, M.D. (excused)**

**ADM Board Staff Present:**

**Jerry Craig, Manager of Clinical Services  
Audry Flinn, Claims Adjudicator  
Fred Frese, Ph.D., Recovery Project Coordinator  
Gregory A. Kavinsky, Interim Executive Director  
Thomas Leffler, Manager of Finance  
Mark Munetz, M.D., Chief Clinical Officer  
Sharon Reiter, Executive Assistant  
Mary Alice Sonnhalter, Manager of Community Relations  
Nick Veauthier, Manager of MIS**

**Other Interested Parties:**

**Charles Brown, Akron Police Department  
Angela Tucker Cooper, Mental Health America  
Terry Dalton, Community Support Services**

**Elaine Harlin, Child Guidance & Family Solutions**  
**Jerry Kraker, Portage Path Behavioral Health**  
**Leonard Foster, County Executive's Office**  
**Karin Lopper-Orr, Blick Clinic**  
**Tim Morgan, Portage Path Behavioral Health**  
**James Orlando, Ph.D., Summit Psychological Associates**  
**Chris Richardson, Oriana House**  
**Janice M. Wade, Ph.D., Akron - UMADAOP**  
**Ted Ziegler, Community Health Center**

Thomas F. Haskins, Jr. called the Board meeting to order at 6:04 PM.

**I. Approval of Minutes:**

A MOTION was made by Kevin Crum and SECONDED by Gordon Keaton:

**To approve the Minutes of the January 27, 2009 Board of Directors meeting as submitted.**

VOTE: Yes – ALL

**RESOLUTION NO.**  
**09-02-01**

**II. Swearing in of New Board Member:**

Mr. Haskins welcomed new Board member, Patrick McGown, who is an ODADAS appointment. Mr. Haskins then administered the Oath of Office.

**III. Chairman's Report:**

Mr. Haskins announced the following:

**1. St. Patrick's Parade**

The ADM Board will be one of the sponsors of the "Magical Train" that will be in the St. Patrick's Day Parade to be held on Saturday, March 14, 2009 at 12:00 Noon on South Main Street in Downtown Akron. The parade and events are coordinated by The Ancient Order of Hibernians and is a well attended public event.

**2. Save the dates April 23-24, 2009**

This spring, the Archives of the History of American Psychology (AHAP), located within The University of Akron, is very excited to announce that they are hosting a national conference on mental health on April 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> 2009. The two-day event and seminar is entitled "Mental Health in America: Past, Present & Future."

### **3. Project Homeless Connect**

The ADM Board staff is currently collecting socks, underwear and undershirts in support of Project Homeless Connect. Project Homeless Connect is an event held for individuals to access basic needs to include meals, medical care, clothing meals and housing. Last year was the first year for the event here in Akron, in which over 400 individuals came for services. This year's event will be held on April 28, 2009 at The Chapel.

If you would like to donate please contact Sherry Reiter at the ADM Board.

### **4. Location of next Board Meeting**

The next Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 31, 2009, 6:00 p.m. at the ADM Office, 100 West Cedar Street in the AMHA Multi-purpose room.

### **IV. Interim Executive Director's Report:**

*(See attached)*

### **V. Committee Reports:**

#### **A. Community Relations Committee:**

Christine Yuhasz stated that the 2009 Community Relations Plan was reviewed at the Committee meeting held on February 12, 2009. She also stated that the Committee identified over \$6,000 that could be cut from the Community Relations budget for sponsorships.

A MOTION was made by Thomas F. Haskins, Jr. and SECONDED by Dawn Jones:

**To approve the reduction of \$6,060 in community event sponsorships as listed in the proposed 2009 budget.**

VOTE: Yes – ALL

**RESOLUTION NO.  
09-02-02**

#### **B. Executive Committee:**

Mr. Haskins stated that Community Support Services, Portage Path Behavioral Health, Child Guidance & Family Solutions, and Community Health Center continue to operate based on an interim rate schedule from the 2009 contract. However, due to the transitional funding process and state budget reductions, it is unlikely that agencies will be able to establish rates and services volume by the March 31<sup>st</sup> deadline. Therefore the staff recommends to the Executive Committee that Sections

5.3, subsections 5.3.106 of the contract be amended to allow an additional 30 days (ending April 30, 2009) to negotiate their unit rates.

A MOTION was made by Lois Foster and SECONDED by Michael Irby:

**To grant the authority to the Interim Executive Director to extend the transition period funding (as established in the contract, Section 5.3, subsections 5.3.1-6) for Community Support Services, Portage Path Behavioral Health, Child Guidance & Family Solutions, and Community health Center for an additional 30 days (ending April 30, 2009) so that the Board staff and the agencies can establish their service volume and negotiate their unit rates.**

VOTE: Yes – ALL

**RESOLUTION NO.  
09-02-03**

C. Alcohol and Drug Addiction Standing Committee:

Dawn Jones gave the Committee report in the absence of David E. Martin.

Mature Services 2009 Budget:

Ms. Jones stated that Mature Services, Inc. is a multi-service agency serving adults, whose primary area of operation is Summit County, Ohio. Mature Services is committed to providing a broad range of social, health, and chemical dependency services to special populations and older adults. Its goal is to promote independence of individuals through community based assistance, to help older adults avoid premature or inappropriate institutionalization, and to help alleviate the problems of poverty among the elderly.

A MOTION was made by Dawn Jones and SECONDED by Lois Foster.:

**To approve the contract with Mature Services in the amount of \$654,035 for the period 1/1/ - 12/31/2009 at the unit rates established on Attachment 2 “Non-Medicaid Purchase of Service Unit Rates” and funding by service on Attachment 11 “Agency Contract Funding by Service”.**

VOTE: Yes – ALL

**RESOLUTION NO.  
09-02-04**

Akron – UMADAOP 2009 Budget:

Ms. Jones stated that the mission of Akron – UMADAOP (Urban Minority Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Outreach Program, Inc.) is to utilize a holistic approach to providing multifaceted substance abuse education, prevention, treatment, and other services, which promote health and wellness within our community, with emphasis on African Americans and other minorities.

A MOTION was made by Dawn Jones and SECONDED by Thomas F. Haskins, Jr.:

**To approve the contract with Akron – UMADAOP in the amount of \$1,289,179 for the period 1/1/ - 12/31/2009 at the unit rates established on Attachment 2 “Non-Medicaid Purchase of Service Unit Rates” and funding by service on Attachment 11 “Agency Contract Funding by Service”.**

VOTE: Yes - ALL

**RESOLUTION NO.  
09-02-05**

Ms. Jones reviewed the ODADAS budget cuts. She pointed out the reduction in ODADAS Targeted Treatment and Prevention dollars (\$30,761) Per Capital Need (PCN) Treatment (\$43,097), and PCN Prevention Funding (\$16,798). Total cuts from ODADAS are \$90,656. The targeted Treatment and Prevention funding cuts were passed directly to the agencies. The PCN Treatment and Prevention funding cuts were allocated based on the percentage of each agency’s non-Medicaid allocation.

Ms. Jones then referred to a list of Priority Populations and Priority Services, which, if possible, should be safeguarded against budget cuts. Priority Populations: Medicaid recipients, especially pregnant women; IV drug users; dually diagnosed, individuals severely medically compromised by their addiction(s) who lack a healthy support system, and poly-addicted individuals. Priority Services: Residential Treatment, Detox, and Drop-In; Services to the Elderly; Services to Juveniles; and TANF eligible families..

A MOTION was made by Dawn Jones and SECONDED by Christine Yuhasz:

**To approve that the following Priority Populations and Priority Services be held harmless, if possible, from budget cuts: Priority Populations: Medicaid recipients, especially pregnant women; IV drug users; dually diagnosed; individuals severely medically compromised by their addiction(s) who lack a healthy support system; and poly addicted individuals. Priority Services: Residential Treatment; Detox; Drop-In Services; Services to the Elderly; Services to Juveniles; TANF Population.**

VOTE: Yes - All

**RESOLUTION NO.  
09-02-06**

Akron Health Department:

Ms. Jones stated that the Strengthening Treatment Access and Retention-State Implementation (STAR-SI) program is a SAMHSA funded initiative to help states identify and implement methods to enhance individual access to and retention in community-based outpatient substance abuse treatment programs.

ODADAS was awarded STAR-SI funding for continuous quality improvement and evaluation of research-based process improvement activities undertaken in partnership with local substance abuse treatment providers. ODADAS awarded the Summit County ADM Board (\$277) and the Akron Health Department (\$10,863) to continue this initiative for the period 10/1/2008 – 6/30/2009.

A MOTION was made by Dawn Jones and SECONDED by Michael Irby:

**To approve the increase of the Akron Health Department calendar year 2009 budget from \$806,386 to \$817,249 to reflect the ODADAS award for funding the Strengthening Treatment Access and Retention-State Implementation (STAR-SI) program funds.**

VOTE: Yes - All

**RESOLUTION NO.  
09-02-07**

D. Finance Committee:

Kevin Crum stated that there will be a March Finance Committee meeting and notices will be sent when the date has been determined.

Capital Reserve Fund:

Mr. Crum stated that Oriana House requested moneys from the Capital Reserve Fund for the following:

- Emergency Repair: Circulating Hot Water Pump (1/14/09) in the amount of \$1,261.00
- Emergency Repair: Louver Motor HVAC (1/14/09) in the amount of \$659.11
- Repairs to HVAC (1/21/09) in the amount of \$1,996.50

- HVAC Maintenance Agreement (2/1/09 – 1/31/2010) in the amount of \$10,212.00

A MOTION was made by Thomas F. Haskins, Jr. and SECONDED by Lois Foster:

**To approve a distribution from the Capital Reserve Fund in the amount of \$14,128.61 to Oriana House for Emergency Repair to Circulating Hot Water Pump, \$1,261.00; Emergency Repair to Louver Motor HVAC; \$659.11; Repairs to HVAC; \$1,996.50; and HVAC Maintenance Agreements (2/1/09 – 1/31/2010); \$10,212.00.**

VOTE: Yes – All

**RESOLUTION NO.  
09-02-08**

Mr. Crum asked Tom Leffler to review the December 2008 check registers and the financial statements for the month ending December 31, 2008. Mr. Leffler reviewed all documents and entertained questions.

A MOTION was made by Thomas F. Haskins, Jr. and SECONDED by Lois Foster:

**To approve the Financial Statements for the month ending December 31, 2008 as presented, subject to the compliance audit as part of the audit of Summit County.**

VOTE: Yes – ALL

**RESOLUTION NO.  
09-02-09**

Transitional Funding:

Mr. Crum stated that the ADM Board staff has reviewed information submitted by six agencies that have submitted requests for transitional funding. The information was reviewed to assess each agency's need in the context of the intent for transitional funding, which was to preserve the current level of services. Requests for transitional funding from Oriana House and Community Health Center have not been sufficiently documented to allow a recommendation.

The ADM Board staff recommends to the Finance Committee the following responses to the transitional funding request submitted by the agencies:

- 1) Mature Services – No award warranted

- 2) Child Guidance & Family Solutions – No award warranted
- 3) Community Support Services – Award in the amount of \$100,000 restricted to requested Capital upgrades
- 4) Portage Path Behavioral Health – Award in the amount of \$446,002
- 5) Community Health Center – Defer recommendation
- 6) Oriana House – Defer recommendation

A MOTION was made by Lois Foster and SECONDED by Gordon Keaton:

**To approve a one-time transitional funding awarded to Community Support Services in the amount of \$100,000, restricted to requested capital improvements; and to Portage Path Behavioral Health in the amount of \$446,002. The Finance Committee further recommends that the ADM Board of Directors approve no transitional funding for Mature Services and Child Guidance & Family Solutions.**

VOTE: Yes – ALL

**RESOLUTION NO.  
09-02-10**

**ODMH Budget Cuts:**

Mr. Crum stated that the Board has received budget cuts from the Ohio Department of Mental Health of \$1,547,203 in State 505 base funding. Board staff has instructed the mental health agencies to submit recommendations to absorb cuts in a manner that would have the least impact on treatment services and priority populations. However, since these cuts are effective retroactively to 2009, it is the staff's recommendation that, for the first three months of 2009, the Board approves a one-time levy allocation to the agencies to mitigate the immediate impact of these cuts.

A MOTION was made Thomas F. Haskins, Jr. and SECONDED by Christine Yuhasz:

**To approve the allocation of \$773,601 in one-time levy funding be made to mitigate the impact of the ODMH 505 base funding cuts to mental health provider agencies and requisite services to clients for the first three months of 2009.**

VOTE: Yes – ALL

**RESOLUTION NO.  
09-02-11**

ODADAS Budget Cuts:

Mr. Crum stated that the Board has received budget cuts from the Ohio Department of Drug and Alcohol Services on \$90,656 in Federal Block Grant and Per Capita Need funding. Board staff has instructed the AoD agencies to submit recommendations to absorb cuts in a manner that would have the least impact on treatment services and priority populations. However, since these cuts are effective retroactively to 2009, it is the staff's recommendation that, for the first three months of 2009, the Board approve a one-time levy allocation to the agencies to mitigate the immediate impact of these cuts.

A MOTION was made by Kevin Crum and SECONDED by George Wertz:

**To approve the ADM Board of Directors the allocation of \$45,328 in one-time levy funding be made to mitigate the impact of the ODADAS Federal Block Grant and Per Capita Need base funding cuts to AoD provider agencies and requisite services to clients for the first three months of 2009.**

VOTE: Yes – ALL

**RESOLUTION NO.  
09-02-12**

D. Mental Health Standing Committee:

Dr. Todd Ivan had been excused from the February 10, 2009 Mental Health Standing Committee meeting; therefore, Committee member Ronald Rett gave the report. Mr. Rett stated that there was not a quorum at the meeting so no business was conducted. However, the following items were discussed:

1. ODMH Budget Cuts:

In response to funding cuts from the Ohio Department of Mental health, which approached \$1.5 million, the ADM Board is asking agency directors to review programs and services in their organizations and make recommendations for cutbacks that meet the following criteria:

- Minimize impact on ODMH and ADM Board priority populations. (ADM Provider Contract Section 4.8.2(d) . . . as defined by the ODMH, Medicaid recipients, severely mentally disabled adults, and severely emotionally disturbed children. ADM Board priorities include dually diagnosed, and individuals severely medically compromised by their addiction(s) who lack a healthy support system, and poly-addicted individuals. . . )
- Primary focus should be on mental health support, not treatment services.
- For treatment services, identify those that can be cut back with the least impact on targeted populations.

- Prioritize these recommendations based on impact.

Jerry Craig encouraged the agencies to hold harmless the following categories of services: Individual CPST, Residential Treatment Services, Crisis and/or Emergency Services, and other services that may impact those who are most seriously impaired.

Mr. Craig said the ADM Board is asking that these agency recommended cuts be submitted to the Board by February 18, 2009. At that time, the ADM staff will review and prioritize and submit recommendations to the Mental Health Standing Committee. Approved recommendations from the Mental Health Committee will go to the Finance Committee and then to the full Board in March. The Methodology used is as follows:

- Review Agency Proposals:
- Review other sources of funds identified by Agencies including:
  - 1) Agencies receiving pass-through funding should be considered
  - 2) Reconsideration of Levy commitments (Board action)
  - 3) Reconsideration of Salary Adjustments (Board action, SSAB)
- ADM Staff Evaluation of proposed cuts in context of dollars available, looking at areas of underutilization, and weighed against priorities.

## 2. Letter to Sheriff:

Mr. Rett reviewed a draft letter to Sheriff Alexander requesting that the Sheriff's Department resume paying for all mental health medications provided to inmates incarcerated at the jail.

Mr. Rett said he is collecting data from other counties on this issue and will report back when the Committee meets next month.

## E. Personnel Committee:

Lois Foster reviewed the proposed Table of Organization as follows:

1. Reassignment of the Essential Functions of the Chief of Addiction Medicine under the Assistant Chief Clinical Officer. The Chief of Addiction Medicine is a contract position. The duties were previously performed by Dr. Robert Liebelt. Since Dr. Liebelt's retirement in 2007, the position has remained vacant.

In an effort to generate cost savings and to become more efficient in operations, ADM staff would like to recommend assigning the essential function of Chief of Addiction Medicine under the Assistant Chief clinical Officer.

2. Eliminate the Chief of Addiction Medicine Position. Ms. Steward recommended the elimination of the position of Chief of Addiction Medicine from the table of

organization, moving the essential functions and performance responsibilities under the Assistant Chief Clinical Officer.

3. Title Change from Assistant Chief Clinical Officer to Deputy Chief Clinical Officer/Chief of Addiction Medicine. In 2008, the ADM Board approved the position of Assistant Chief Clinical Officer. Despite recruitment efforts, the position has remained vacant. In hopes of attracting a psychiatrist with an Addiction Medicine Certification, the title change is necessary. Changing “assistant” to “deputy” will align positions with similar titles. The addition of Chief of Addiction Medicine to the title is reflective of the performance responsibilities.

Ms. Steward recommended changing the title of Assistant Chief Clinical Officer to Deputy Chief Clinical Officer/Chief of Addiction Medicine.

4. Elimination of Part-Time Positions. The Personnel Policies and Procedures state that the Executive Director reserves the right to manage the operation, control the premises, direct the working force and maintain the efficiency of the operations. Specifically, those rights include, but are not limited to, the ability to layoff employees and abolish positions due to the lack of work.

Mr. Kavinsky, with the assistance of ADM Board staff, has considered a variety of options to improve efficiency and reduce costs, while maintaining present staffing levels.

In an effort to make two departments (Administration and Finance) more efficient, it is recommended that a reduction in the Department, distributing the essential duties of the part-time positions to the remaining two full-time staff in each department. The abolishment of the part-time positions will generate a cost savings of approximately \$34,000 annually.

The Administrative Assistant (0.63 PTE) has been vacant since June 2008. The essential functions and performance responsibilities assigned to the position have been absorbed by the department.

The Accountant position (0.63 PTE) is scheduled to 25 hours per week. After an evaluation of the flow of work it has been determined that there are periods of a lack of work and decreased workloads.

The orders of layoff for the targeted employees are in alignment with the County Ordinance 169.13 as it defines layoffs and the procedure for abolishment of positions. The staff recommends to the Personnel Committee the elimination of two part-time positions, Administrative Assistant (0.63 PTE) and the Account position (0.63 PTE).

A MOTION was made by Christine Yuhasz and SECONDED by Gordon Keaton:

**To approve all changes as presented in the Table of Organization.**

VOTE: Yes – ALL

**RESOLUTION NO.  
09-02-13**

**5. Job Descriptions:**

Ms. Foster stated that the ADM Board staff reviewed the current job descriptions. After review of the position descriptions, it was determined that the current format lacks essential elements and clear definition of performance responsibilities. The position descriptions and many essential functions and performance responsibilities were not modified over the years. There was staff performing duties that were not written and defined in position descriptions.

The changes to the format will provide staff with clear definitions of each job classification, essential functions, performance responsibilities, knowledge, skills, abilities to perform in the position defining behavioral competencies, physical demands, and the work environment. It also provides a control mechanism to track dates of changes and reviews.

The ADM staff recommends to the Personnel Committee changes to the format of the job descriptions and the reassignment of position responsibilities and duties which are to be reflected in the revised position descriptions.

**6. Position Title Changes:**

Ms. Foster stated that the ADM Board staff recommends the following title changes only, to be more reflective of position responsibilities and duties:

1. Manager of Community Services/Utilization Review to **Mental Health Treatment & Support Services Coordinator.**
2. Forensic Monitor to **Forensic Monitor/Disaster Service Coordinator**
3. Compliance Certification & Training Associate to **Compliance Certification & Training Coordinator.**
4. Clinical Associate Service Associate to **Evaluation & Special Projects Coordinator.**
5. EEO/Ombudsman/Special Populations Coordinator to **Clients Rights Coordinator.**

A MOTION was made by Thomas F. Haskins, Jr. and SECONDED by Michael Irby:

**To approve the position title changes only as follows: from Manager of Community Services/Utilization Review to Mental Health Treatment & Support**

**Services Coordinator; from Forensic Monitor to Forensic Monitor/Disaster Service Coordinator; from Compliance Certification & Training Associate to Compliance Certification & Training Coordinator; from Clinical Associate Service Associate to Evaluation & Special Projects Coordinator; and from EEO/Ombudsman/Special Populations Coordinator to Clients Rights Coordinator.**

VOTE: Yes – ALL

**RESOLUTION NO.  
09-02-14**

**F. Search Committee:**

Mr. Kavinsky reviewed the total process involved in the search for an executive director of the ADM Board.

- ✓ ADM Board formed Search Committee
- ✓ ADM Board engaged services of Waverly Partners, executive search firm
- ✓ Search firm reached out to 150 potential candidates
- ✓ Search firm narrowed candidates to eight (8) individuals who were interviewed by them.
- ✓ Search firm presented four (4) candidates to Search Committee for interviews.
- ✓ Search Committee recommended two (2) candidates for further interviews and meetings with the Board, ADM Board staff, and a “Meet & Greet” open to interested members of the public.
- ✓ Reference and background checks performed
- ✓ Leadership and Emotion Intelligence Tests performed
- ✓ Search Committee recommendation of candidate

A MOTION was made by Christine Yuhasz and SECONDED by Dawn Jones:

**To approve the Search Committee’s recommendation of William P. Harper for the position of Executive Director of the County of Summit Alcohol, Drug Addiction & Mental Health Services Board, and further that the Board authorizes the Interim Executive Director and the Chairman of the Board to negotiate a contract upon terms and conditions, acceptable within fourteen (14) days of this Resolution.**

**The Board further directs that, upon completion and execution of the contract, a copy be attached to these minutes.**

VOTE: Yes – ALL

**RESOLUTION NO.  
09-02-15**

**VI. Old Business:**

There was no Old Business.

**VII. New Business:**

There was no New Business.

**VIII. Comments from the Public:**

Tim Morgan of Portage Path Behavioral Health and Elaine Harlin of Child Guidance and Family Solutions thanked the Board for their hard work regarding the budget cuts. Elaine Harlin asked when final decisions will be made for the agencies regarding cuts.

Kevin Crum stated that the next Finance Committee meeting will address this issue and that a special Finance Committee meeting will be held in March.

**IX. Executive Session:**

A MOTION was made by Thomas F. Haskins, Jr. and SECONDED by Lois Foster:

**To adjourn to Executive Session to discuss imminent employee litigation. The Executive Session will also include Attorney Lisa Kainec, Leonard Foster of the County Executive's Office, and Interim Executive Director Gregory A. Kavinsky.**

ROLL CALL VOTE: Thomas F. Haskins, Jr. – Yes; Kevin Crum – Yes; Lois Foster – Yes; Michael Irby – Yes; Dr. Todd Ivan – Yes; Gordon Keaton – Yes; Dawn Jones – Yes; Linda Marcum – Yes; Patrick McGown – Yes; Ronald Rett – Yes; George Wertz – Yes.

NOTE: Christine Yuhasz was excused earlier and was not present.

Adjourn to Executive Session at 7:03 PM.

**RESOLUTION NO.  
09-02-16**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**X. Resume Open Meeting:**

A MOTION was made by Thomas F. Haskins, Jr. and SECONDED by Lois Foster:

**To resume the Open Meeting of the ADM Board of Directors at 8:00 PM.**

ROLL CALL VOTE: Thomas F. Haskins, Jr. – Yes; Kevin Crum – Yes; Lois Foster – Yes; Michael Irby – Yes; Dr. Todd Ivan – Yes; Gordon Keaton – Yes; Dawn Jones – Yes; Linda Marcum – Yes; Patrick McGown – Yes; Ronald Rett – Yes; George Wertz – Yes.

**RESOLUTION NO.  
09-02-17**

As a result of the Executive Session:

A MOTION was made by Dawn Jones and SECONDED by Gordon Keaton and Michael Irby:

**To acknowledge a revocation by Cheryl Lilly of her signed agreement and with the consent of all present members of the Personnel Committee, withdraw the authorization of the Interim Executive Director to enter into a signed settlement agreement with Cheryl Lilly as moot and without any further action revokes authority to the ADM Board counsel for any further negotiations with Cheryl Lilly or her counsel.**

VOTE: Yes – All

**RESOLUTION NO.  
09-02-18**

**XI. Adjournment:**

A MOTION was made by Thomas F. Haskins, Jr. and SECONDED by Gordon Keaton:

**To adjourn the February 24, 2009 Board of Directors meeting.**

VOTE: Yes – All

The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 PM.

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Thomas F. Haskins, Jr., Chair

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Christine C. Yuhasz, Secretary

## COUNTY OF SUMMIT

### ALCOHOL, DRUG ADDICTION & MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES BOARD

#### EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

February 24, 2009

1. Congratulations to Dr. Mark Munetz and The Northeastern Ohio Universities Colleges of Medicine and Pharmacy, who received a \$5 million award from the Margaret Clark Morgan Foundation. The grant will be used to establish the Best Practices in Schizophrenia Treatment Center, or BeST Center at the medical college. The Best Center will help pinpoint the best ways to treat severe and persistent mental illness and will work with hospitals, clinics and other partners to bring additional treatment programs to the community.
2. I would like to recognize Community Support Services who had an open house and official dedication of the Margaret Clark Morgan Integrated Care Clinic and Pharmacy on February 12<sup>th</sup>. The Care Clinic was made possible through the collaborative efforts of the Margaret Clark Morgan Foundation, Community Support Services, Northeastern Ohio Universities Colleges of Medicine and Pharmacy, University of Akron School of Nursing, Summa Physicians Inc., Klein's Pharmacy, The Ohio Department of Mental Health and the ADM Board.
3. The Summit County Suicide Prevention Coalition was awarded a Mini-Grant from the Ohio Department of Mental Health and the Ohio Suicide Prevention Foundation. The grant will allow the Coalition to purchase promotional brochures.
4. Dr. Michael Moser, Director of Health for the Akron Health Department, will be retiring from his position on March 31, 2009. The Akron Health Commission recognizes and expresses appreciation for Dr. Moser's years of leadership and dedicated service to the Akron community since he joined the Akron Health Department in June of 2003. The Akron Health Commission has designated Mr. Thomas Quade to serve as Acting Director of Health, effective April 1, 2009. Mr. Quade has been with the Akron Health Department since April of 2000 and has served as Epidemiologist, Health Promotion Manager, Manager of Community Health Assessment and Health Promotion, and as Deputy Director of Health for Administration.
5. The Akron Health Commission and the Akron Health Department will partner with Mayor Plusquellic and other community leaders and public health stakeholders as appropriate to examine the merger of two or more of the health districts in Summit County. This is one of the approaches to

evaluate the best way to advance and improve the health of the residents of Akron and Summit County.

6. In your Board packets you will find information on The Coalition to Amend Ohio's Social Host Law. The coalition is dedicated to strengthening Ohio's Social Host Law which provides that an adult may not furnish alcohol to minors, nor "knowingly allow" minors to possess or consume alcohol on the premises of an adult. The Coalition would like a tougher standard for adults that violate the statute and are asking for signature of community leaders and advocates in support of the initiative.
7. The ADM Board has been faced with a number of recent "Issues" concerning budget cuts and whether or not we should be reconsidering our levy priorities to allow for funds to be used for existing services outside of levy considerations. I have communicated to agencies and staff that I believe that we are living up to our levy commitments even though the state has reduced funding by \$1.6 million through June and about \$3 million through 2009.
8. On February 4<sup>th</sup>, I had the opportunity to host an Agency Executive Directors meeting. The meeting allowed us to have dialogue regarding transition funding and address budget and contract issues. Ms. Kerry Kernen of the Summit County Health District and Ms. Annette Patranic of the Department of Public Safety for Summit County gave a presentation regarding emergency preparedness.
9. On February 2<sup>nd</sup> Governor Strickland's administration unveiled the biennial budget for the State Fiscal years 2010 and 2011 Funding for mental health contained a surprising amount of the heavily anticipated, but yet to be appropriated one-time federal stimulus dollars, \$100 million per year, in order to fund mental health at a level that would almost return it to SFY 09 levels. On the alcohol and drug addiction side, the Governor proposes using approximately \$6.5 million per year of the federal stimulus dollars to bring the state ODADS funding to about \$40 million per year, close to where the agency was budgeted last biennium and about \$1.9 million ahead of where they ended up after this fiscal year.
10. Last week, the State of Ohio launched [www.recovery.ohio.gov](http://www.recovery.ohio.gov), Ohio's interactive headquarters for all information regarding the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, otherwise known as the federal stimulus package. The purpose of this web site is to maximize the federal stimulus funds received and expended in Ohio through a transparent, consistent and efficient process. All mental health organizations in Ohio are encouraged to access the web site and complete a form for each proposal or project of interest in the federal stimulus package. Once a project is submitted, it will be entered into a master database and then forwarded to the appropriate state entity.

