

County of Summit Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services Board

**Board of Directors' Regular Monthly Meeting  
Summit County Public Health Board Room  
Minutes of July 27, 2021  
FINAL**

**Board Members Present:** Roula Braidy, Vivianne Duffrin, Elizabeth A. England, Daniel R. Flowers, Margaret J. Halter, PhD.; Kimberly Huff, Todd M. Ivan, M.D., Vice Chair; James Merklin, Christine Myers, Secretary; Irving B. Sugerman, John M. Williams, Chair

**Board Members Excused:** Lucas Blower, André J. Thornton, Jr.

**ADM Board Staff Present:** Aimee R. Wade, Executive Director; Amy Woodland, Community Relations Manager; Aaron Ellington, PhD., Acting Associate Director of Clinical Services/Evidence Based Practice Coordinator; Jen Peveich, Associate Director of Operations; Dr. Doug Smith, Chief Clinical Officer; Nick Veauthier, Manager of Information Technology; Kathy Hagy, Administrative Assistant, Clinical Services

**Other Parties Present:** Olivia Warther; Chris West, Northcoast Community Homes; Tracy D. Yaeger, Portage Path Behavioral Health; Donald Christian, Akron UMADAOP; Tammy Jensen, Oriana House; Jackie Kautenburger, CHC Addiction Services; Patrick Watson, Child Guidance & Family Solutions; Kandy Fatheree, Sheriff, Summit County Sheriff Office

**I. Call to Order**

- With a quorum present, Chair John Williams, called the meeting to order at 5:30p.m.

**II. Review/Approve Minutes**

**MOTION: James Merklin**

**SECOND: Kimberly Huff**

**That the Board of Directors approve the minutes of the June 22, 2021, ZOOM Meeting of the Board of Directors, as presented.**

**VOTE: Verbal Vote -Motion Passed**

**RESOLUTION: 07-21-01**

**III. Board Education – CY2022 ADM Board Budget, Priorities and Fund Balance Projection**

Presenters: Aimee R. Wade and Jennifer Peveich

- Ms. Wade and Ms. Peveich presented a brief PowerPoint presentation outlining the SC ADM Board Budget. 2022 Revenues are projected to be \$45.3M (\$486K; 1%) higher than the 2021 budget. 2022 Expenditures are projected to be \$46.7M (\$1.25M; 3%) higher than the 2021 budget. The projected revenue shortfall of \$1.3M will be taken from ADM's unencumbered fund balance.

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- 2022 new investments (\$2.58M) in ADM Board priority areas include: crisis services, special populations (older adults, migrants, LGBTQ, etc.), system infrastructure (human, technology, physical resources), access initiatives, pilot programming sustainability, and wellness.
- 2022 year-end cash balance of \$58.8 (15.1 months of cash) is projected. An aggressive strategy for decreasing ADM's cash balances to six to nine months over the course of the levy cycle was also presented.
- It was noted that various Board Members expressed an interest in being present for the budget presentation to the County.
- Discussion was held regarding various items in the presentation
  - A. Vote on Acceptance of Board Budget

**MOTION: James Merklin**

**SECOND: Christine Myers**

**That the ADM Board of Directors approve the CY2022 ADM Board Budget.**

**VOTE: Verbal Vote – Motion Passed**

**RESOLUTION: 07-21-02**

#### **IV. Ownership Linkage & Accountability**

##### **A. Chair Report – John Williams**

- Chair John Williams reminded all Board Members he would like to see 100% donation participation for the ADM Recovery Challenge Race. Donation forms were available from Kathy Hagy.
- Chair Williams reminded all present that there are opportunities to represent the ADM Board in the community. Everyone should have received an email regarding these opportunities; please contact Lucky Tisch or Amy Woodland to participate in these events.
- Committee and Committee Chair appointments were announced by Chair Williams. They are as follows:

##### Board Development Committee

Dan Flowers, Chair

Christine Myers

Irv Sugerman

Roula Braidy

Jim Merklin

##### Personnel Committee

André Thornton, Jr., Chair

Vivianne Duffrin

Kimberly Huff

Jim Merklin

Todd Ivan, M.D.

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### Assurance Committee

Margaret J. Halter, PhD, Chair

Elizabeth A. England

Lucas Blower

Vivianne Duffrin

Russ's replacement

### **B. Executive Director Report – Aimee R. Wade**

- Aimee Wade provided an update on the current search to fill the staff vacancies. First interviews have been conducted and they hope to have a final decision made by mid-August.
- The new Board Management Platform is still undergoing some testing within the Board Office to ensure that this platform can do exactly what is required. The target date for full implementation of this new platform is to be the September Board of Directors meeting.
- Update on HB110 is as follows: Governor Dewine vetoed language that would have had a great impact on ADAMH Governing Board appointments across the state. The verbiage on the final bill only allowed for Erie and Ottawa Counties to re-organize their Boards for a limited time. There were no statewide changes approved.
- Ms. Wade also reminded all Board Members that in the future all Board of Directors' meeting and/or BoD Committee meetings are required to be in person as there were no extensions granted for the allowance of virtual public meetings.
- The Suicide Prevention Mini-Grants have been launched specifically targeting the smaller grass roots nonprofit organizations that are not traditional providers within the ADM Board system of care.

### **C. Chief Clinical Officer Report – Dr. Doug Smith**

- Dr. Smith reported on the increase in COVID diagnosis in the state of Ohio as well as in the country. This appears to be a "pandemic" among the unvaccinated.
- In a reaction to the increase in COVID diagnoses many healthcare and educational facilities are mandating the wearing of masks; this also being endorsed by the CDC.
- With the increase of COVID cases with reference to the Delta or Lambda variant, Pfizer and Moderna have stepped up their vaccine trials on children between the ages of 5 – 12.
- There is a push within the Ohio legislature to legalize the use of marijuana.
- As of July 21, 2021; results of a study conducted in Denmark regarding smoking of marijuana have been released. The study concluded that the smoking of marijuana has definite ties to schizophrenia causation.

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- There have also been 3 new conditions added to the diagnosis list that may benefit from the use of medical marijuana.
- Chair Williams brought up the possibility of creating small groups to review the pros/cons on marijuana legalization and draft a resolution regarding this.

### V. Comments from the Public

- Chair Williams thanked the public for attending the meeting, also stating it was great to see people in person.
- Donald Christian, Akron UMADAOP spoke regarding a meeting he had just been in with a candidate running for governor, the topic of marijuana legalization was brought up in that meeting.
- Sheriff Kandy Fatheree was introduced in the meeting.
- Amy Woodland announced the total in sponsorships for the ADM Recovery Challenge thus far - \$23,750. She also gave a 6-month recap on the number of hours members of the ADM Board staff have spent amongst community members being involved in community events.

### VI. Consent Agenda

#### A. ADM Funding Awards Report

- It was noted that the new format used this month regarding the Funding Awards Report was preferred over the documents used in the past.

#### B. New Contracts & Authorization to Sign

**MOTION: Margaret J. Halter**

**SECOND: Kimberly Huff**

**That the ADM Board of Directors, approve the funding awards for June 2021 and, having funds available and certified by the Fiscal Officer as required by ORC 5705.41(D), the Board Authorizes the Executive Director to sign the contracts presented in the attached list on behalf of the ADM Board, in accordance with the requirements contained with ORC340.**

**VOTE: Verbal Vote – Motion Passed**

**RESOLUTION: 07-21-03**

### VII. Unfinished Business

#### A. Update – Resolution Regarding ORC 5122.05 – Dr. Todd Ivan and Dr. Doug Smith

##### 1. Presentation of Resolution

- A brief discussion regarding the changes to ORC 5122.05 was held.
  - a. Vote of Support of Resolution

**MOTION: Todd M. Ivan and the Assurance Committee**

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**Therefore, be it resolved, that we support and advocate for a Psychiatric Deterioration Standard to be incorporated into Ohio Revised Code 5122.05**

**VOTE: Verbal Vote – Motion Passed, 1 Abstention**

**RESOLUTION: 07-21-04**

**VIII. New Business**

**A. Executive Limitations & Board Self- Monitoring Reports**

- 1. Policy 2.4 Financial Planning & Budgeting**
  - a. Discussion on monitoring comments

**MOTION: Elizabeth England**

**SECOND: James Merklin**

**That the ADM Board of Directors find the Executive Director in Compliance with Policy 2.4 Financial Planning & Budgeting.**

**VOTE: Verbal Vote – Motion Passed**

**RESOLUTION: 07-21-05**

**2. Policy 4.5 Executive Director Employment & Compensation**

- a. Discussion on monitoring comments
  - After review of this policy, clarification was required as the Executive Director’s contract appears to conflict with the law.
  - ADM’s legal counsel of record, the Summit County Prosecutor’s Office has been contacted for a legal opinion regarding this contract. As soon as the opinion is received, proper steps will be taken to correct the Executive Director’s contract address the recommended revision to Policy 4.5.

**B. Committee Reports**

**1. Assurance Committee – Dr. Tod Ivan**

- At the July 21<sup>st</sup> meeting of this committee, MUI’s were discussed, and it was noted that there seems to be a drop in the number of discharges from residential.
- It was asked how long a review of MUI’s needs to occur or can it be done once or twice a year with the Assurance Committee focusing on other items.
- A review of the proposed resolution regarding 51.22.05 was discussed.
- The 3 new diagnoses regarding medical marijuana were noted.

**2. Board Development Committee – Dan Flowers**

- At the July 6<sup>th</sup> meeting of this committee, the proposed changes in Board Policy were reviewed; with 2 points not being resolved.
- There are no policy revisions available currently.
- Training with Bill Charney will be Friday, October 8, 2021, at an offsite location

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- There have been 2 applications received regarding the open position on the Board of Directors, neither fit the criteria of the position.

### **3. Personnel Committee – André Thornton, Jr.**

- No report provided.

### **C. Meeting Assessment**

- All were reminded to complete their half sheet assessment of tonight's meeting and hand them in before leaving the meeting.

## **IX. Adjournment**

**Motion: Elizabeth England**

**Second: Christine Myers**

### **That the ADM Board of Directors move to adjourn the meeting.**

- The meeting was adjourned at 7:30p.m.

**X. Next Meeting Scheduled:** Tuesday, September 21, 2021, at 5:30p.m.

Minutes as Approved

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RESOLUTION: 09-21-01

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Christine Myers, Board Secretary