



Saint Louis Mental Health Board

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*** MEETING MINUTES ***

Minutes of the November 16, 2017, Board Meeting

Attendance:

Terrell Carter
Marguerite Grandelious
Linda Grayson
Darrell Hudson
Carolyn Jackson
David Laslo
Jennifer Matthew
Nina North Murphy
Robert Poirier, by phone

Others Attending:

William Kuehling, Thompson Coburn
Barb DuBois, CPA, Principal, CliftonLarsonAllen
Lisa Richmond, CPA, CliftonLarsonAllen

Jama Dodson, Executive Director

Call to Order – The Meeting of the Saint Louis Mental Health Board of Trustees was called to order at 5:49 p.m. by Chair, Carolyn Jackson.

Community Comments – Stephanie Weinhaus, Program Manager with Employment Connection's, *Back to Heath, Back to Work* program, thanked the Trustees for the support Employment Connection receives and related a story of a PTSD Veteran with substance abuse issues that overcame these obstacles and has been employed and promoted within a large health care system in St. Louis because of this program. She then introduced Laura April who was a counselor at Employment Connection from 2015-2017 and saw first hand how ex-offenders have benefited and been stabilized through the program.

Shanise Johnson, Executive Director of St. Louis Internship Program also thanked the Trustees for funding their program and introduced Monique who has been enrolled in the program for a year. Monique, a senior at Vashon High School shared how this program has impacted her directly and given her the knowledge and practical experience to succeed in the workplace. Monique will be entering the Marine Corps upon graduation.

Approval of October 2017 Board Minutes – The motion was made by Jennifer Matthew and seconded by Terrell Carter to approve the October 19, 2017 Minutes of the last Trustees meeting as distributed. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolution to Authorize Continuation Funding for Generate Health STL's Investment Management Partnership– With the recommendation of the Ad Hoc Investment Management Partnership Committee, a resolution was presented by Linda Grayson to authorize continuation funding for Generate Health STL's Investment Management Partnership. A motion to approve the resolution was made by David Laslo and seconded by Nina North Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

Acceptance of FY17 Audited Financial Statement, Independent Auditor's Report and OMB Circular A-133 – Barb DuBois and Lisa Richmond, CPA's with CliftonLarsonAllen, presented both the Audited Financial Statement and the Independent Auditor's report. Lisa reported that MHB had a clean audit – there were no material weaknesses or control deficiencies across all financial statements. Barb then discussed the Federal Single Audit for the federal awards and noted that while all financial testing was clean, there was a deficiency related to subrecipient monitoring for which MHB is already completing a corrective action plan. A motion to approve the audit was made by Marguerite Grandelious and seconded by Linda Grayson. The motion passed unanimously

Staff Report – Jama Dodson presented the Executive Director's report for the period October 20 – November 16, 2017. A written report was distributed as usual. Among other items, the report included the following highlights:

- New Trustee Nominees Rob Poirier and Darrell Hudson and renewing Trustee, Terrell Carter, were all approved by the Board of Aldermen at their meeting the week of October 30. Letters of appointment from the Mayor are forthcoming.
- Additionally, MHB staff Kristin Cowart, Jennifer Rogers, and Sue Culli conducted four pre-application workshops on November 8 and 9. A total of 108 (20% increase from 2014) people attended the workshops providing information on the use of MHB's grant portal and how to complete Concept Papers and Intent to Apply submissions. Attendance at the workshops by organizations planning to submit pre-applications is highly encouraged, but not mandatory.
- The Director of Strategic Initiatives will attend the City of St. Louis Mental Health Court committee meeting on November 15 to discuss new funding that has been allocated to support a Mental Health Court in the City.
- Jama Dodson, Jennifer Rogers and Cassandra Kaufman provided members of the Seniors Count Board with a demonstration of MHB's web-based grant management system.

Adjournment – There being no further business, Jennifer Matthew made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Carla Rose. The motion passed, and the meeting of the Saint Louis Mental Health Board of Trustees adjourned at 6:50 p.m. The next meeting of the Trustees will be held on **January 18, 2018**.