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***** MEETING MINUTES *****

Minutes of the August 15, 2019, Board Meeting

Attendance:

*Terrell Carter
Mary Calzaretta
Marguerite Grandelious
Linda Grayson
Darrell Hudson
Carolyn Jackson
David Laslo
Phil Minden
Nina North Murphy
Robert Poirier
Carla Rose
Donna Schmitt*

Others Attending:

William Kuehling, Thompson Coburn

Jama Dodson, Executive Director

Call to Order – The Meeting of the Saint Louis MHB Trustees was called to order at 5:45 p.m. by Chair Carolyn Jackson.

Community Comments – Greg Tomlin, formerly Program Facilitator for Father’s Support Center (FSC), has been promoted to Project Director. He thanked the Trustees for their support of the Family Formation Program which on August 7th, graduated 34, including 5 women. FSC is also working to secure \$1M in funding to assist in child support payments. Karen Wallensak, Executive Director with St. Francis Community Services thanked the Trustees for their recent funding through the Community Mental Health Fund highlighting the types of people this award will help through mental health therapy with bi-lingual therapists.

Approval of the June 2019 Board Minutes – The motion was made by David Laslo and seconded by Terrell Carter to approve the June 20, 2019 Board Meeting Minutes as distributed. The motion passed unanimously.

Presentation on MHB's Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) Development Initiative
Cassandra Kaufman, MHB Deputy Director and Toms Giles, Operations Director, presented an overview of MHB's PSH Development Initiative.

Resolution to Approve Increased Funding for Integrated Health Network's (IHN) Community Health Center Workforce Development Initiative

After an introduction from Robert Poirier and general discussion, a motion was made by Linda Grayson and seconded by Mary Calzaretta to approve an increase to the funding approved at our May meeting for IHN.

Staff Report

Jama Dodson presented the Executive Director's report for the period June 21, 2019 – August 15, 2019. A written report was distributed as usual. Among other items, the report included the following highlights:

- Currently 3 Trustee vacancies exist that require the Board to fill.
- Senior Project Director-IS is conducting grantee reporting training this year in groups, well as individually, through the end of September.
- The System of Care Executive Committee is winding down its role in providing oversight to the FY15-19 SAMHSA Cooperative Agreement. The group voted to partner with the Behavioral Health Network of Greater St. Louis to sustain the effort as the new Youth Services Advisory Board that will coordinate children's mental health services for the Eastern Region of Missouri.
- MHB has been asked to assist the City of St. Louis Director of Public Safety in managing a request for proposal process to award \$500,000 for a new federal violence prevention program.

Adjournment – There being no further business, Terrell Carter made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Nina North Murphy. The motion passed, and the meeting of the Saint Louis MHB Trustees adjourned at 7:07 p.m. The next meeting of the Trustees will be held on **Thursday, September 19, 2019.**