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**\* \* \* MEETING MINUTES \* \* \***

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*Minutes of the June 16, 2011, Board Meeting*

*Attendance:*

*Leon E. Ashford, Ph.D.*  
*Mary Calzaretta*  
*Stephen F. Doss*  
*Ruby Jones*  
*Caroline Korybut*  
*Philip Minden*  
*Nina R. North Murphy*  
*Roy Wilson, M.D.*  
*Linda Grayson*

*Don Cuvo, Executive Director*

*The meeting was chaired by President Philip Minden.*

**Community Comments** –Jawanna Hammonds, Epworth Children and Family Services, introduced three teens who participate in the funded Life Skills Program, which prepares youth for life when they are no longer residents at Epworth. Each gave examples of specific skills they acquired.

Melissa Bode, Big Brothers Big Sisters, thanked trustees for supporting mentoring services and introduced a Big Sister who explained how her own life was dramatically enhanced after becoming a Big Sister. Melissa said that the outcomes approach used by MHB to improve program accountability has had a beneficial effect on the whole organization.

Trustee Steve Doss introduced three persons associated with the legal/judicial system who expressed concerns about difficulty accessing services formerly provided by Metropolitan Psychiatric Center (MPC). Jim Michaels, Assistant Circuit Attorney, Sue McGraugh, SLU Legal Clinic and Judge Beth Hogan, Division 26, each provided comments.

**Announcements** – Don Cuvo reminded Trustees that there will be no July meeting. He said that Trustee Mary Calzaretta will be honored by the St. Louis Business Journal at their Most Influential Business Women Awards Luncheon on August 12<sup>th</sup>. Also, MHB will receive an award at Legal Services of Eastern Missouri *for the Common Good Awards Reception* on June 30. Trustees who wish to attend should let Don know. Lastly, Don announced his intention to retire as Executive Director of St. Louis Mental Health Board after 17 years. Chair Phil Minden said that the Executive Committee will develop and share a plan for an Executive Director search.

**Minutes** –The Minutes of the May meeting were approved as mailed.

**Resolution Related to Children’s Services Fund** –At the May meeting, Trustees approved continuation funding except for four organizations which were required to submit corrective action plans. Since then, one agency voluntarily withdrew its request for 3<sup>rd</sup> year continuation funding. Two others have come into compliance and are recommended for continuation funding. One organization is not recommended for continuation funding due to an unsatisfactory corrective action plan. Trustees approved two agencies for continuation funding and denied continuation to a 3<sup>rd</sup> organization.

**Resolution Establishing Procedures for Disclosing Conflict of Interest** –Board Counsel Bill Kuehling said that MHB must biannually renew its procedure for identifying board conflict of interest and submit the procedure to the Missouri Ethics Commission. By approving the procedure, MHB can bypass a more stringent approach which would require each trustee to submit individual financial disclosure statements. Trustees approved the procedure.