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ENCLOSURE ONE

MINUTES of September 14, 2015

MEMBERS PRESENT: Suzy Carter, Karen Conrad, Greg Cotrill, Dorothy Glancy, Molly Greer, Angela Liggett, Scott Wheeler

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Andrea Bryant, Richard Chaney, Wayne Johnson

GUESTS PRESENT: Jim Carter, Tawnya Dunn, Amy Foley, Steve Goldsberry, Lynn Jung, Sandy Lock, Laura Stith, Heather Turner

STAFF PRESENT: Melissa Burke, Erica Pursley, Joyce Rain, Karen Scherra, Lee Ann Watson

1. One item was added to the agenda under Action Items: the Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) for Brown County Recovery House and NHO Recovery House. One item was also added to the agenda under Discussion items: October Board meeting. A motion was made, and unanimously approved, to approve the agenda as revised (Motion-Molly Greer, second-Scott Wheeler).
2. A motion was made, and unanimously approved, to approve the Minutes from the July 20, 2015 meeting. (Motion-Suzy Carter, second-Molly Greer).
3. Review Materials/Correspondence: In the Newspaper folder, Karen Scherra brought attention to several articles concerning the heroin epidemic and the marijuana issue. Karen also highlighted four newspaper articles: 1) the re-opening of CASC, which went very smoothly; 2) the bill sponsored by Representative Doug Green that is directly related to his own personal experience and focuses on opiate treatment and prenatal care for women; the Board will support the bill as it appears it is a good start to help women get prenatal treatment while addicted to heroin; 3) the parents of a woman who died of a heroin overdose with her boyfriend who chose to place the reason for her death in her obituary; and 4) the Quick Response Team for Colerain Township which is working to connect people who have survived a recent overdose with treatment. The Quick Response Team will be presenting at the Opiate Task Force in October.

Karen Scherra brought attention to several items in the Miscellaneous folder. She referenced a Motion by the Commissioners putting our levy on the ballot and a Resolution, which Karen drafted, for Clermont County's participation in the national "Stepping Up" initiative which

supports diversion versus prison/jail for individuals with a mental illness who have been arrested for a nonviolent crime.

The Correspondence folder contained a letter addressed to Karen Scherra concerning her nomination as a member of the Health Policy Steering Committee for NACo. Karen brought attention to an invitation from Cheri Walter at OACBHA asking our Board to be a Pilot Board for a project with the Budget and Compliance Sub-committee of the Continuum of Care Committee, to determine how the Department will evaluate if a Board area has a complete continuum of care. The Clermont Board has agreed to be part of the pilot.

4. Karen Scherra presented highlights from her Executive Director's Report. Karen relayed that we have received 15 applications for the Board of Directors and may refer some to Jim Carter at CFI, as they are in need of board members as well. Another possibility is that Karen Scherra will ask the interested applicants if they would like to be Associate Board Members until such time that we have openings for Board member. Karen introduced Lynn Jung, who is interested in becoming a member of the Board and is attending the meeting to learn more about the Board. She is a Clermont County resident and currently a Nurse Practitioner working for Christ Hospital. Ms. Jung spoke at the meeting and relayed that she sees people on a daily basis struggling with mental illness. She also relayed that she has personal experience, since she has a family that has struggled with mental health issues as well as a friend who has a substance use disorder.

Karen advised that Lee Ann Watson, Associate Director, met with Sarah McGee from United Way of Greater Cincinnati to discuss grant funding to support the Opiate Task Force. United Way invited the Opiate Task Force to submit a grant proposal for funding for educational materials. Karen believes that this building of a relationship will be positive for the Board in the future. Also, Lee Ann led our annual Candlelight Vigil, which is held every September. Channel 12 was there and interviewed a survivor, as well as Denny Moell from CFI. Although the attendance was not what we had expected, the event went very well. Commissioner Humphrey attended the vigil, as did Jim Carter from CFI. Karen mentioned that she attended the CPS Levy Committee meeting on September 3rd to participate in planning for the Levy Kick Off. Karen reminded the group that the Levy Kickoff event is scheduled for Friday, September 18th from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and that attendance from the Board is welcome.

5. Committee Reports: Scott Wheeler updated the group on the Finance Committee Meeting and the Committee's discussions concerning the profit and loss reports. Scott indicated that the Board had anticipated a budget loss, but the loss was not as much as expected. However, all billing is has not been received for FY15. The final Profit and Loss for FY15 will be completed in October. The Finance Committee also reviewed projections for FY2016, as well as requirements for funding recovery housing and the Board's recent submission of a capital plan to OHMAS for residential treatment. Scott relayed that the capital grant is a partnership with the Warren/Clinton and Brown Boards to build a residential alcohol and drug (AOD) facility as well as a step down crisis center. Scott Wheeler also relayed to the group that the

Boards are working with Sojourner, a residential AOD provider in Butler County, to be the provider for the residential facility should the Boards receive the capital grant. The Board would be obligated for operating costs and Sojourner would be responsible for everything else, including the match required for the capital grant. It is likely that OMHAS will not make a decision for a few months as to whether the Boards will be considered for funding for these facilities.

6. Action Items: Karen Scherra explained that the POS Contract Standards that were approved in July are being revised as previously discussed, in relation to fiscal requirements and GOSH claims. Karen and our Fiscal Department met with all the provider agencies to review the revisions to the contract standards. All the provider agencies have agreed to the final revised version. We are requesting that the Board approve the revised POS Contract Standards at this time, even though the new fiscal standards will not be implemented until July 2016. Karen further explained that the motivation behind these revisions is to be more diligent regarding which clients are considered Board clients and for which services the Board will pay. Examples of changes include: the Board will not be a payor for clients who have incomes over 300% of poverty; the expectation that clients will apply for Medicaid or insurance, unless there are extreme circumstances that will require approval from the Board in order to use Board subsidy; and the Board will pay the cost of services for clients with insurance that has high deductibles, less the amount paid by the client based on our approved sliding scale fee, until the client reaches their deductible. Karen reminded the group that the intention is not to cut services but to better define for whom the Board subsidy is intended. Board Member Suzy Carter raised the question as to the process to get clients signed up for Medicaid. Jim Carter from Child Focus outlined the process. CRC is currently helping clients with this process, and LPS/GCB has a Benefit Specialist to assist clients with obtaining eligible benefits. A motion was made, and unanimously approved, to approve the additions to the Contract Standards Manual, Section 8C, as presented, which will go into effect July 1, 2016. (Motion-Suzy Carter, second-Scott Wheeler).
7. Karen Scherra presented the Resolution on Marijuana Legalization, Issue #3. Karen relayed to the group that a change is needed on the resolution provided to the Board Members in the board mailing packet. Karen was notified, after the Board packet was mailed, that the last paragraph in the Resolution requires revision, as the Prosecutor for Lorain County sent an opinion with citations to that area board advising that certain verbiage encouraging people to vote against Issue #3 was not allowable in Board Resolutions. Karen discussed this issue with our Prosecuting Attorney and was advised to remove the last sentence in the Resolution. Our Prosecuting Attorney has approved the Resolution as drafted with the removal of the last sentence. Karen also advised that the Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce is taking a position against the marijuana initiative and that our chamber is going to vote on the issue at the beginning of October. Several organizations have asked us our position on the issue and are looking to the Board for guidance. Karen asked the Prosecutor how to handle questions about the topic. She was advised to state that "Our Board opposes the issue" and to simply provide facts about why. A motion was made, and unanimously approved, to approve the revised Resolution Taking a Position Against Marijuana Legalization, Issue #3 on the November

Ballot, as presented, and to authorize the Executive Director to sign the Resolution on behalf of the Board. (Motion-Scott Wheeler, second-Suzy Carter).

8. Karen provided the group with copies of the Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) for Brown County Recovery House and NHO's Recovery House for review and approval. The NHO Recovery House is located in Blanchester and is for women. The Brown County Recovery House is located in Georgetown, operated by Talbert House, and is for men. The referral source for placements at both of these facilities will be CRC in conjunction with the ASPIRE Program. There are six beds at each facility. CRC is assessing whether clients have self motivation, their chance of success, and whether this housing opportunity will be of benefit to them. NHO is expecting clients to stay in the Recovery House for 6-8 months. The three boards involved in the project (Brown, Clermont and Warren/Clinton) and NHO met last week to discuss the cost per person and who will pay for room and board while the client gets established with a job. NHO was suggesting a much higher daily cost than anticipated. The three Boards had provided collaborative funding in FY15 to NHO to purchase and renovate the facility and believed that we were in agreement that the cost for operation of the facility would be mostly covered by NHO. After much discussion, Clermont and NHO reached an agreement regarding the cost per client: \$250 a month for each client. The Warren/Clinton Board is providing \$44,000 for staffing, so they are negotiating a different daily cost. All three boards worked a tiered payment with Talbert House for the Georgetown facility that starts at \$250 and tapers down to \$50 for the 6th month, with no funding after that point. A motion was made, and unanimously approved, to approve the Memorandum of Understanding for the Brown County Recovery House and the Memorandum of Understanding for the NHO Recovery House as written, pending approval by the Prosecuting Attorney, and to authorize the Executive Director to sign the MOUs on behalf of the Board. (Motion-Suzy Carter, second-Molly Greer).
9. Discussion Items: Karen Scherra provided an update on the Continuum of Care Requirements. The OMHAS Continuum of Care meeting was cancelled last week. Karen is a member of the Committee. The focus of the meetings has been trying to determine whether continuum of care service requirements should be based on a region or a board area. Karen indicated that there are still many questions that need answers. The committee is also reviewing Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Section 340 to make changes to conform to the language in the state's Budget Bill on continuum of care. Clermont agreed to be a pilot Board for the Continuum of Care 040 fiscal reporting to help gather insight about whether the continuum information needed could be provided through that format for upcoming fiscal years. OMHAS continues to state that they do not want to penalize boards but boards will have to meet the standards. The pilot will help provide insight as to what information OMHAS wants to see documented. Karen will continue to keep the Board updated.

Karen also provided an update on the NHO sale of the Piccadilly apartment building and our lien. The Board is owed about \$55,000, not \$80,000 as originally thought, since the funds were amortized over 40 years. The owner of the building has to provide the sale documents to OMHAS and provide OHMAS with a check for the entire proceeds from the sale. After

OMHAS is paid back its portion, they will provide the remainder to our Board. It will be less than what we are owed but it's at least a part of the amount, probably about \$15,000. However, the amount NHO is paying back to OMHAS, over \$100,000, will be put in escrow for the next capital project the Board wants to undertake – it will not be provided to NHO for any of their building plans.

In conclusion, Karen provided an update on our levy campaign and noted that the Levy Kickoff event is this coming Friday. Karen and Lee Ann Watson are putting on presentations almost every evening to various organizations about our campaign. Thus far, people have been receptive and supportive. Karen Scherra also shared her experience at the Batavia Township meeting.

Karen reported that planning for the October 4th Wellness Walk fundraising event is going very well. Karen is hoping that Board Members can sponsor a walker or participate in the event if possible. Karen clarified that we are combining a wellness fair, which agencies were already planning, with our walk to hopefully draw more community members to the event. Proceeds from the walk will go to our levy campaign. Registration for the walk is online and a flyer with sign up information will be forthcoming. A band may also play at the event, courtesy of Board Member Karen Conrad. The next Levy Committee meeting is scheduled for September 21st at 5:30 p.m.

12. Agency Directors' Reports:

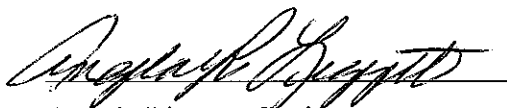
Jim Carter presented for Child Focus, Inc. (CFI) and reported that there are several billboards up throughout Hamilton County mentioning CFI and their foster care program. Jim also relayed that CFI purchased a former furniture store building in Mt. Orab for their use and has opened a day treatment program for children ages 3-5 years. The program is going well thus far; however, there have been minor issues with transportation. CFI now has a presence in Mariemont Schools along with other areas. The shortage of psychiatrists continues to be an issue, and Cincinnati Children's Hospital has asked for a meeting with CFI and the Board to come up with a solution to this issue.

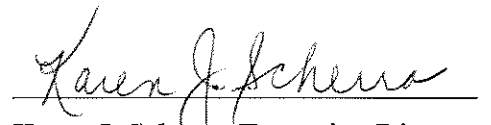
Steve Goldsberry reported for Clermont Recovery Center (CRC) and relayed Jeff O'Neil's apology for missing the meeting due to illness. Greg reported that CASC started on September 1st. CASC currently has 9 people in the program. A total of 12 people have gone through the program, with 1 client completing the program. In relation to Medication Assisted Treatment, CRC is admitting approximately 3-4 clients per week. They currently have 4 doctors, 1 APN, and 4 nurses in this program who are prescribing medicine. CRC is primarily focusing on certain populations. Steve advised that Karen Scherra is currently working on a contract with the Common Pleas Court Probation Department for the Probation Department to pay for their probationers referred to CRC, which will in turn help CRC's funding and will also help expand capacity. CRC recently received a Federal Drug Free Community Grant, which starts funding on October 1st, for the local Drug Free Coalition.

Heather Turner presented for the National Alliance for Mental Illness (NAMI) and announced that they initially had their walk scheduled for October 3rd, which is the day prior to our Wellness Walk fundraising event; however, they moved it to later in October as to not conflict with our event.

Amy Foley with HOPE Community Center (HCC) reported that their class schedule has been updated and passed copies out to the group. HOPE is currently working with LPS for combined efforts and resource sharing. Amy also reported that she has signed up 20 vendors thus far for the Wellness Walk fundraising event and that HOPE staff and consumers will also assist with the event.

13. A motion was made, and unanimously approved, to move into Executive Session pursuant to ORC 121.22(G) (1) to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion or compensation of a public employee or official. (Motion-Suzy Carter, Second-Greg Cotrill). Andrea Bryant-absent, Suzy Carter-yea, Richard Chaney-absent, Karen Conrad-yea, Greg Cottrill-yea, Dorothy Glancy-yea, Molly Greer-yea, Wayne Johnson-absent, Angela Liggett-yea, Scott Wheeler-yea. The Board moved into executive session at 8:00 p.m.
14. A motion was made, and unanimously approved, to move back into regular session. (Motion-Suzy Carter, second-Scott Wheeler). Andrea Bryant-absent, Suzy Carter-yea, Richard Chaney-absent, Karen Conrad-yea, Greg Cottrill-yea, Dorothy Glancy-yea, Molly Greer-yea, Wayne Johnson-absent, Angela Liggett-yea, Scott Wheeler-yea.
15. There being no further business before the Board, a motion was made, and unanimously approved, to adjourn. (Motion-Suzy Carter, second-Scott Wheeler).


Angela Liggett, Chairperson


Karen J. Scherra, Executive Director