



MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
Wednesday, January 24, 2024

TRUSTEES PRESENT

Verb Washington, Board Chair
Kathy Emrick
Sherry Gale
Dr. Victor McCarley, Vice Chair
Margaret Patterson
Teresa Russell
Jay Wainscott
Gregory West
David White
S. Tyler Wright

STAFF PRESENT

Helen E. Jones-Kelley
Bonnie Ashley
Chandra Hightower
David Holbrook
Kimberly Priester
Tina Rezash Rogal
Christina Sanders

TRUSTEES ABSENT

Kevan Beamon
Jill Bucaro
Jeffrey Startzman
Robert Gurry

1. CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair Verb Washington called the meeting of the Alcohol, Drug Addiction, and Mental Health Services Board of Montgomery County (ADAMHS) to order at 5:32 p.m.

2. RECOGNITION OF GUESTS

Executive Director Helen Jones-Kelley acknowledged and welcomed the guests in attendance. Guests introduced themselves and identified their organizations. Executive Director Jones-Kelley also introduced ADAMHS Contracts Administrator Chandra Hightower who was in attendance.

3. BOARD SPOTLIGHT

Jennifer Wentzel, Health Commissioner, and Larry Cleek, Emergency Preparedness Manager gave a presentation about the Great American Eclipse 2024. The presentation highlighted the planning that Public Health is doing in anticipation of the eclipse and the number of people expected to travel into the area, as well as concerns that Public Health has due to this event. The eclipse will happen on April 8 and will start at 1:15 in Dayton, with totality hitting at 3:08 p.m., right when kids are getting out of school. A 124-mile-wide band in the State of Ohio will

experience a total solar eclipse. We will experience totality for 2 minutes 45 seconds. The last total eclipse in Ohio was 1806, and the next is not expected until 2099. A lot of tourists will be coming in and many will hit the road back out as soon as it is over. We should expect long delays on both highways and back roads. Public Health reviewed after-action reports from other states after the 2017 eclipse and noted that Wyoming had six to eight times the traffic volume that lasted 13 hours after the event.

Traffic issues will also impact emergency response, as there will be extended travel times for response. In addition to traffic, there will be issues with callers not knowing where they are if they are in temporary camp sites or have lost access to their interactive maps, and there may be limited to no internet access. It may also impact people's ability to access cash and gasoline.

Public Health is educating the public to prepare for the event and has information on the PHDMC.org web site. They are distributing information to day care centers and schools, and the broader community about potential issues with transportation, (including the inability of parents to pick up children timely). Be prepared to not go anywhere fast, have a snack and water in your car, make sure you have gas, cash, and appropriate eye protection for viewing the eclipse. Avoid travel if possible.

Trustee Russell asked if there were any crime impacts noted in the 2017 after-action reports. Mr. Cleek responded that he had not seen anything about an increase in crime in any of the reports. Executive Director Jones-Kelley noted that we need to plan now for potential impact for behavioral health clients in order to be prepared from the mental health services standpoint.

4. **CONSENT AGENDA**

a. Approval of Minutes

There being no changes or corrections to the minutes from the December 20, 2023 meeting, a motion to approve the minutes was made by Trustee Gregory West and seconded by Trustee David White. The motion was approved unanimously.

b. Executive Director Helen Jones-Kelley reviewed the funding recommendations as reviewed and approved by the Program & Services Policy Committee at the January 10, 2024 meeting.

A motion was made by Trustee Kathy Emrick, and seconded by Trustee David White, to approve consent agenda item, Resolutions #24-001 through 24-016, as presented below, and to also authorize the Executive Director to sign all documents necessary to execute this process. The motion carried unanimously.

The Program & Services Committee recommends to the Montgomery County Alcohol Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services Board for review and approval to fund and contract with the following providers not to exceed the amounts identified in the table below for the period of July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024 for the provision of services. Further the Executive Director or Board designee is authorized to sign any document necessary to execute this process.

Resolution #	Agency & Brief Service Description	SFY2024	Source of Funding	Notes
24-001	Additional Community Investments	\$77,291	OhioMHAS	2024 ADAMHS Boards Funding
24-002	Community Medication	\$691,118	OhioMHAS	2024 Continuum of Care Services Funding
24-003	Community Transition Program	\$130,000	OhioMHAS	2024 Criminal Justice Services
24-004	Crisis Flex Funds	\$221,943	OhioMHAS	2024 ADAMHS Boards Funding
24-005	Crisis Infrastructure	\$50,000	OhioMHAS	2024 Continuum of Care Services Funding
24-006	Forensic Centers	\$584,602	OhioMHAS	2024 Criminal Justice Services Funding
24-007	Forensic Centers	\$438,451	OhioMHAS	2024 Mental Health Block Grant Federal Funding - ARPA
24-008	Forensic Monitoring	\$25,174	OhioMHAS	2024 Criminal Justice Services
24-009	MH Community Invest Board Allocation	\$370,470	OhioMHAS	2024 Mental Health Block Grant Federal Funding
24-010	MH Community Investment Board Allocation	\$3,288,146	OhioMHAS	2024 Continuum of Care Services Funding
24-011	MH Crisis Stabilization Centers	\$44,136	OhioMHAS	2024 Continuum of Care Services Funding
24-012	OhioMHAS Recovery Housing Initiative Funds	\$50,900	OhioMHAS	2024 Recovery Housing Funding

24-013	SUD Comm Invest Board Alloc	\$1,701,498	OhioMHAS	2024 Substance Use Block Grant Federal Funding
24-014	SUD Community Investment Board Allocation	\$247,501	OhioMHAS	2024 Continuum of Care Services Funding
24-015	SUD Crisis Stabilization Centers	\$194,736	OhioMHAS	2024 Stabilization Centers
24-016	Title XX Mental Health Community Investment Board Allocation	\$376,478	OhioMHAS	2024 Social Services Block Grant Federal Funding

A motion was made by Trustee Teresa Russell, and seconded by Trustee Margaret Patterson, to approve consent agenda item, Resolutions #24-017 through #24-021, as presented below, and to also authorize the Executive Director to sign all documents necessary to execute this process. There was no opposition and no abstentions, and the motion carried.

The Program & Services Committee recommends to the Montgomery County Alcohol Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services Board to accept funding from the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services in the amounts identified in the table below for the period of July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024 for the provision of services. Further the Executive Director or Board designee is authorized to sign any document necessary to execute this process.

Resolution #	Agency & Brief Service Description	SFY2024	Source of Funding	Notes
24-017	Early Intervention	\$55,000	OhioMHAS	2024 Prevention and Wellness
24-018	Primary Prevention Board Allocation	\$535,564	OhioMHAS	2024 Substance Use Block Grant Federal Funding
24-019	Primary Prevention Board Allocation	\$40,206	OhioMHAS	2024 Prevention and Wellness
24-020	SOS Faith-Based Projects	\$40,000	OhioMHAS	2024 SOR 3.2 - SOS Funding

24-021	SUD Gambling Addiction Prevention Allocation	\$175,368	OhioMHAS	2024 Prob Gambling & Casino Addiction Funding
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5. **BOARD CHAIR REPORT**

There was no report from the Board Chair.

6. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT**

Executive Director Jones-Kelley presented her report as noted below.

a. **Financial Report**

Executive Director Helen Jones-Kelley introduced ADAMHS CFO Christina Sanders to present the 2023 budget overview.

Director Sanders reviewed the 2023 Human Services Levy Revenues and Expenditures for 2023. We started the year with cash reserves of \$20.4 million, and as occurs leading into a levy, planned a strategic spend-down to increase provider services in the community. We received revenue of \$9.3 million less than last year, as we returned those funds to the Human Services Levy in light of other HSL agencies facing fiscal emergencies. We are right on track with what we expected to receive. We expended \$33,538,311, which is 85% of the revised budget. Note the base budget versus the revised budget reflects a \$3 million encumbrance from the previous year. We ended the year with \$6,957,592 cash balance, which represents 19% in reserve. This is on target with what we expected. There was previously a concern about the amount for insurance in 2022, because it looked like it was exceeding our budget. If you look at our actuals, it should have been increased last year. The 2024 budget was increased to \$30,000. This is noted as a follow up to questions raised previously.

Director Sanders presented information on the year-to-date revenue in the three funding sources – human services levy, state and federal. We are proud of the staff for all they are doing to make sure we get grants and don't have a singular reliance on levy funds. Our expenditures show that 88% of what we expend goes straight to providers, which is good. For future consideration, we have to think about the reserve levels. We looked at where we were sitting at the beginning of the year, and we were able to increase funding in the community to beef up the services and get our reserves at a more acceptable level. We will continue to seek additional grant money to reduce reliance on levy funds.

Trustee Dr. Victor McCarley asked what the goal is for human services levy reserve percentage. Director Sanders responded that the goal is 9%.

b. Late Contract Items

Executive Director Helen Jones-Kelley presented late contract items for review and approval by the Board. These are for grants that just came in last week.

Resolution # 24-022 is a grant that has been awarded by the state in the amount of \$250,000. We currently have a SAMHSA grant that provides for services to reduce suicide in young African American males. They are expanding that into other populations to go along with our SAMHSA work. Board Chair Washington asked if we sought out this grant or if they came to us. Executive Director Jones-Kelley responded that we wrote for this grant. Trustee Sherry Gale asked how the grant would be administered. Executive Director Jones-Kelley responded that it would be a part of the plan that we already have in place with agencies like Juvenile Court and DDS and other under our PROTECT initiative and will allow us to offer provider training and grants to other organizations doing this work.

A motion was made by Trustee S. Tyler Wright, and seconded by Trustee Greg West, to approve consent agenda item Resolution #24-022, as presented below, and to also authorize the Executive Director to sign all documents necessary to execute this process. The motion carried unanimously.

Staff recommends to the Montgomery County Alcohol Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services Board to accept funding from the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services in the amounts identified in the table below for the period of December 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024 for the provision of services. Further the Executive Director or Board designee is authorized to sign any document necessary to execute this process.

Resolution #	Agency & Brief Service Description	SFY2024	Source of Funding	Notes
24-022	Black Youth and Young Adult Suicide Prevention Grant	\$250,000	OMHAS	

Resolution 22-102 is an amendment to a contract we have in place with Ohio University for the Community Collective Impact Model for Change. Board Chair Washington asked if this was a supplement to the existing contract or if it covered this portion of the year. Executive Director Jones-Kelley responded that it was a supplement to the grant we received approximately three months ago. A motion was made by Trustee David White, and seconded by Trustee Greg West, to approve consent agenda item Resolution #22-102, as presented below, and to also authorize the Executive Director to sign all documents necessary to execute this process. The motion carried unanimously.

Staff recommends to the Montgomery County Alcohol Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services Board to amend Ohio University Funding in an amount not to exceed the amounts identified in the table below for the period of October 1, 2022 - March 14, 2024 for the provision of services. Further the Executive Director or board designee is authorized to sign any document necessary to execute this process.

Resolution #	Agency & Brief Service Description	10/1/2022 - 3/14/2024	Source of Funding	Notes
22-102 AMENDED	Ohio University - Community Collective Impact Model for Change (CCIM4C)	\$126,646	Ohio University	

a. Other

Executive Director Jones-Kelley reported that we will still have some 2024 6-month Treatment and Supportive Services contracts being finalized and will likely come forward at the next Board meeting. We are also preparing to launch the prevention funding cycle. The date for the bidder's conference will likely be rescheduled as we continue to sort out state and other funding.

We are also continuing to write for additional grants to fund our services in the community. We are being strategic about those grants to ensure we are not "chasing dollars" and going outside of our strategic plan.

Save the date: March 27. This is a full Board meeting day. We will be asking you to join either virtually or in person at 4:00 that day. On a recommendation from Dr. McCarley following a Board discussion on the Roadmap to Equity, we will have a zip code data presentation by a national expert.

*Please note that if you plan to attend virtually, we will still need to have a quorum for the live Board meeting to be in compliance with the Sunshine laws.

Communication and Strategic Initiatives Director Tina Rezash Rogal reviewed the What's Trending handout. We are cautiously optimistic about the way the year ended with a decline in accidental overdose deaths from 2022 to 2023. For death by suicide, the line chart shows Montgomery County compared to the State of Ohio. The state trended higher and we did not see the same type of increase in suicide deaths. We will continue to watch this.

Director Rogal also announced that we would like to update our Trustee picture for the web site and would love for Trustees to come a little early to the February Board meeting to take the picture. We will also be taking new head shots for Trustees who do not have one or would like to update their picture. We will send out a reminder prior to the February meeting.

7. **BOARD MEMBERS' COMMENTS**


Happy Birthday to Trustee Margaret Patterson.

8. **GUEST COMMENTS**

There were no comments by the guests in attendance.

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:28 p.m.



Verb Washington, Board Chair

Prepared by Bonnie Ashley, ADAMHS