



MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
Wednesday, September 27, 2023

TRUSTEES PRESENT

Dan Foley, Board Chair
Kathy Emerick
Sherry Gale
Robert Gurry
Dr. Victor McCarley
Margaret Patterson
Teresa Russell
Jay Wainscott
Verb Washington
Greg West
David White
S. Tyler Wright

STAFF PRESENT

Helen E. Jones-Kelley
Tristyn Ball
Rhianna Crowe
Kimberly Farrier
Chandra Hightower
David Holbrook
Colleen Oakes
Beverly Stewart

TRUSTEES ABSENT

Jeffrey Startzman, with notice

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Board Chair Dan Foley called the meeting of the Alcohol, Drug Addiction, and Mental Health Services Board of Montgomery County (ADAMHS) to order at 5:30 p.m. A quorum was declared present.

2. **RECOGNITION OF GUESTS**

Executive Director Helen Jones-Kelley acknowledged and welcomed the guests in attendance.

3. **OATH OF OFFICE – New Member – Jay Wainscott**

Beverly Stewart, ADAMHS Legal Counsel, administered the Oath of Office to incoming board member Jay Wainscott.

4. **BOARD SPOTLIGHT – MCPC Update**

Executive Director Jones-Kelley introduced Tristyn Ball, ADAMHS Director of Prevention and Early Intervention Services. Director Ball explained the Montgomery County Prevention Coalition (MCPC) is an independent entity with a mission to mobilize Montgomery County to prevent youth substance use and promote positive mental health by implementing evidence-based prevention strategies and community collaboration. Due to this mission, Colleen

Oakes, ADAMHS Senior Program Coordinator, brought forward issues with students and the Southeast Dayton Metro Library. Through further community conversations, a group was convened to address these issues.

Senior Program Coordinator Oakes explained that the MCPC has more than 300 volunteer members across Montgomery County. There are seven (7) subcommittees, with two (2) co-chairs leading each subcommittee's mission. In FY2022, members logged 3,007 volunteer service hours and held 122 Zoom meetings. MCPC receives funding through the Drug-Free Communities Grant and a 100% match from the Montgomery County ADAMHS Board through Human Service Levy dollars. In 2023, MCPC was named the Ohio Coalition of the Year. Recently, MCPC was awarded a five (5) year grant extension to continue their work.

Senior Program Coordinator Oakes provided background of the concerns at the Southeast Dayton Metro Library located directly behind Belmont High School. The library employs fourteen (14) professional staff (12 Full-time and 2 Part-time). Of those 14 staff, there are two (2) teen librarians, three (3) former teachers, and staff with K-12 experience

Several problems have led to the increased need for resources at the Southeast Dayton Metro Library. The most significant issue is Belmont High School sits directly behind the library and is the largest high school within the Dayton Public School District. On average, 292 students are in the library each day after school. At its highest volume, the library branch recorded 381 students in the location at one time. Dayton Public Schools does not provide bussing for 9th-12th graders within their district. Many of these students come to the library to wait for public transportation or other transportation, prepare for practice/games, spend time with friends, study, or use library resources.

Staff at the Southeast Dayton Metro Library have reported increased violent incidents, including bullying, fighting, threats of violence, custodial disputes, and adults verbally and physically attacking students. Staff have also witnessed increased substance use (mostly marijuana), vaping inside and outside the building, and possible drug transactions on the property. Many of the students are experiencing food insecurity.

The following agencies and organizations are convening to continue these community conversations: Dayton Metro Library SE staff, Belmont High School staff, Dayton Public School administration, ADAMHS staff, National Conference for Community and Justice of Greater Dayton, South Community, Dayton RTA, Montgomery County Educational Service Center, Dayton Mediation Unit, Local Neighborhood Associations, Dayton Police and Fire Departments, City of Dayton, Men of Color Success Coaches, Sinclair Student Success staff, and various MCPC volunteers.

Through these community conversations and work being conducted through strategic action planning sessions, the following nine (9) problem statements were identified:

- Mental Health – students struggle with various mental health issues stemming from violence in school, bullying, home life, lack of acceptance, etc.

- Transportation – DPS does not bus 9th-12th graders, and all must rely on public transportation or friends/family members.
- Vaping & substance use – this is the most frequent issue cited by library staff.
- Violence – several fights have occurred on the library property causing injuries.
- Crowd Control – on average 292 teens visit the library after school each weekday at 3:00 p.m.
- Food Insecurity – the students leave school hungry, and many stay at the library until it closes. Lunch is served at the HS before 11:00 a.m. so library staff purchase snacks for students.
- Truancy – the library reports having 10-40 students daily during school hours.
- Academic – the academic supports available to students are not being utilized.
- Caregivers – library staff do not have access to or contact information for caregivers. Some of these caregivers have even been involved in violence at the library over the past year.

An exercise was conducted during their Strategic Action Planning sessions to assist with identifying the following top priorities:

- Streamline communication with Belmont HS so library staff can provide after-school support after traumatic incidents.
- Implement vape detectors and prevention education at the library and the high school.
- Address barriers to having food donated/provided for the library (space, adult volunteers, logistics).
- Create a Youth Leadership Team to address the root causes and implement correlating initiatives.
- Expand/revamp the RTA Bus Stop.
- Limit times for using DPS-provided bus passes.
- Request the Dayton Police Department execute a crime prevention/environmental scan.

Senior Program Coordinator Oakes advised the next steps will be for the workgroup to reconvene, review the top priorities, and provide recommendations. All meetings moving forward will convene quarterly.

Questions & Comments

Board Chair Foley asked if the coalition is seeing or hearing the same issue in other school districts. Executive Director Jones-Kelley advised there are similar issues at the Vandalia Library, Downtown Branch, and isolated issues in Trotwood.

5. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Board Chair Foley requested a motion to approve the consent agenda items as reviewed and recommended by the Program & Services Policy Committee at the September 13, 2023, meeting listed below.

A motion was made to approve all consent agenda items except for Resolution #23-049, #23-

008 Amended, and #23-009 Amended by Trustee Greg West and seconded by Trustee Margo Patterson, as presented below. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made to approve consent agenda item resolution # 23-049, as presented below by Trustee Robert Gurry and seconded by Trustee Margaret Patterson. Trustee Dr. Victor McCarley and Trustee Kathy Emerick abstained from the vote. Motion carried with the noted abstentions.

A motion was made to approve consent agenda item resolution # 23-008 Amended and 23-009 Amended as presented below by Trustee S. Tyler Wright and Trustee Robert Gurry. Trustee Teresa Russell abstained from the vote. Motion carried with the noted abstention.

Resolution #	Agency & Brief Service Description	N/A	N/A
23-044	July 2023 Board Meeting Minutes	N/A	N/A
Resolution #	Agency & Brief Service Description	SFY2023 Amended	Source of Funding
23-008 AMENDED	Montgomery County Sheriff's Office (Pass-Through) – Jail Psychotropic Medication Reimbursement	\$309,028	OhioMHAS
23-009 AMENDED	Montgomery County Sheriff's Office (Pass-Through) – Jail Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) Reimbursement	\$61,320	OhioMHAS
Resolution #	Agency & Brief Service Description	SFY2023 Amended	Source of Funding

22-019 AMENDED	OhioMHAS Path – Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH)	\$190,333	OhioMHAS Pass-Through Funds and Levy Match
Resolution #	Agency & Brief Service Description	SFY2024 Amended	Source of Funding
23-038 AMENDED	OhioMHAS PATH – Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH)	\$179,915	OhioMHAS Pass-Through Funds and Levy Match
Resolution #	Agency & Brief Service Description	SFY2024	Source of Funding
23-045	ATP – Addiction Treatment Program	\$220,525	OhioMHAS
23-046	Access to Wellness (Formerly called Multi- System Adults Program)	\$715,000	OhioMHAS
23-047	CTP – Community Transition Program – The CTP funds provide community linkage services for individuals transitioning from prison to the community who need assistance managing substance use.	\$161,480	OhioMHAS
23-048	OhioMHAS Recovery Housing Initiative Funds – Awarded Organization: His Hope Teen Challenge Inc., Miamisburg, Ohio	\$22,675	OhioMHAS

23-049	Eastway Behavioral Healthcare – Forensic Center for Western Ohio and Outpatient Competency Restoration	\$1,023,053	OhioMHAS / ARPA
Resolution #	Agency & Brief Service Description	July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024	Source of Funding
23-011 AMENDED	OhioMHAS Ohio School Wellness Initiative – School Behavioral Health and Wellness Coordinator Demonstration Project	\$55,000	OhioMHAS Pass-Through Funds
Resolution #	Agency & Brief Service Description	FFY2024	Source of Funding
23-050	Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC): Drug-Free Communities Grant	\$250,000	HHS \$125,000 and Levy \$125,000

6. **BOARD CHAIR REPORT**

Board Chair Foley highlighted the Behavioral Health Equity Roadmap presented at the September 13 Program and Services Policy Committee meeting. Everyone was encouraged to review the Executive Summary. Printed copies were provided to each trustee.

Board Chair Foley brought forward the life expectancy map on page 4. The roadmap will help guide us where the need is the greatest. Many factors identified through this map include access to transportation, food, and many amenities that do not exist within some communities. Chair Foley highlighted programs in which ADAMHS is addressing these disparities, such as safe housing. Trustees were encouraged to utilize this report as a roadmap for their strategic planning conversation.

Director Ball gave the trustees an example of how this information works when making funding decisions at ADAMHS. This year, Prevention Services funding requests were higher than in previous years. Staff reviewed the Ohio Department of Education indicators with the highest priority funding going to Tier 1 school districts while ensuring some level of

funding would be allocated to all school districts.

Trustee Russell inquired how data would be obtained and how outcomes would be measured moving forward. Director Ball noted it is easy with the Public Schools as they utilize student outcome surveys through Panorama. Staff can access and monitor these surveys to see where the trends are moving. Within the charter and private schools, the work for staff becomes more complex and the information more difficult to obtain. Charter schools exhibited the highest need among all the various types of school systems.

Vice Chair Washington asked if there is a reason the charter schools choose not to participate with Panorama. Director Ball advised this issue is something staff would need to explore further.

Board Chair Foley asked if 2017 data was available, and if so, could it be incorporated into the data moving forward. Vice Chair Washington asked if staff have identified why there are gaps in the data. Director Ball explained the areas in white may not have enough residents to be statistically significant. Director Ball will follow up with HPIO to gain additional information and report that back to the board.

7. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

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

a. Late Contract Items

Executive Director Jones-Kelley presented the late agenda item as noted below. ADAMHS has been working with PLACES, Inc. to open the Miamisburg property. ADAMHS Legal Counsel Beverly Stewart explained that OhioMHAS has awarded a capital grant to ADAMHS to enter an open-ended mortgage. Once the transfer of the property is complete, ADAMHS will transfer the property over to PLACES, Inc.

Trustee Teresa Russell moved, and Trustee Robert Gurry seconded to authorize the Executive Director to sign an open-ended mortgage note with OhioMHAS (Mortgagee) and ADAMHS (Mortgagor) for \$275,000 for a term of 30 years and to also authorize the Executive Director to sign all documents necessary to execute the mortgage. No abstentions noted. Motion carried.

Resolution #	Agency & Brief Service Description	SFY2019-2023	Source of Funding
23-051	OhioMHAS Capital Grant – (Class 1 Residential (8-12 beds) PLACES, Inc.	\$275,000	OhioMHAS / Levy / ARPA

b. **Other**

Executive Director Jones-Kelley reported on the following items:

- Treatment and Supportive Services held a Bidder's Conference on Friday, September 15. The recording can be found on the ADAMHS YouTube Channel, and the FAQ document is on the ADAMHS website.
- A sample resolution for the recreational marijuana issue being placed on the November ballot was provided to each trustee. Executive Director Jones-Kelley explained people have been asking if ADAMHS has a position regarding this matter. If the Board chooses to compose a resolution, it must be factual. Trustees were advised that ADAMHS Legal Counsel Beverly Stewart would be happy to assist.
- On October 18 from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. the State of Ohio will offer the next Crisis Academy on Ohio's Crisis System Landscape. The webinar will cover Ohio's Crisis Systems Landscape Analysis and focus on the first two principles of building Ohio's Crisis Services System. Trustees were encouraged to register and attend this virtual training.
- ADAMHS's new CFO, Chrissy Sanders, will begin her employment with the ADAMHS Board on Monday, October 9. Ms. Sanders comes to the board with previous CFO experience at the Dayton Metro Library.
- Trustees were provided with a copy of the Behavioral Task Force Report. Sarah Hackenbracht at the Greater Dayton Area Hospital Association (GDAHA) will provide an overview and next steps at a future meeting. The most prominent theme that came out of this report is data sharing.
- Trustees were reminded the November and December meetings are moved to the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month (Mtg. dates are - November 1 and November 15 and December 6 and December 20). Executive Director Jones-Kelley asked trustees to reserve extended meeting time in November for Strategic Planning conversations.
- Executive Director Jones-Kelley reported that ADAMHS recently passed the Culture of Quality Reaccreditation process. ADAMHS chose to be measured under the new criteria established by the state in this reaccreditation process. This is the fourth accreditation process ADAMHS has completed. The reaccreditation certificate is for three years.

8. **BOARD MEMBERS' COMMENTS**

There were no comments by the board members in attendance.

9. **GUEST COMMENTS**

There were no comments by the guests in attendance.

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

Board Chair Foley requested a motion to adjourn as no official actions were taken. Trustee Gerg West moved, and Trustee Teresa Russell seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Dan Foley, Board Chair

Prepared by Rhianna Crowe, Executive Secretary