

**MHMR of Tarrant County
Board Meeting Minutes
June 25, 2024**

Members Present:

- Bob Brown, Chair
- Lea Ann Capel, Vice-Chair
- Carey Cockerell, Secretary
- Brandon Teague
- Cheryl Bean
- Carolyn Sims
- Lyn Willis
- Mario Perez
- Roy Griffin
- Chief Greg Pilkington, Ex-officio Member

Executive Staff Present:

- Susan Garnett, Chief Executive Officer
- Catherine Carlton, Chief of Staff
- Aaron Bovos, Chief Financial Officer
- Ramey Heddins, Deputy Chief of Program Services
- Laura Kender, Chief Program Officer
- Charles Hoffman, Assistant Center Administrator
- Dr. Carol Nati, Chief Medical Officer
- Grace White, Deputy Chief Program Systems
- Diana Awde, Chief Information Officer
- Aleed Rivera, General Counsel
- Victoria San Martín, Board Liaison

Guests Present:

Arlington ISD students and families
Pat Sanders, Consultant
Richard Vickers, Citizen
Espí West, Staff
Julia Sladek, Staff
Lisa Ross-Young, Staff
Nora Tornero, Staff
Nancy Tooke, Staff
Paul Duncan, Staff
Shaun Hill, Staff
Neilee Ware, Staff

Call to Order

Lea Ann Capel, Vice-Chair, called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.; a quorum was present.

Comments from Chairperson

- Ms. Capel welcomed everyone to the meeting.

- Ms. Capel shared the upcoming Community Advisory Committee and Board of Trustee meetings schedule.

Comments from Citizens

None at this time.

Special Recognition to AISD Destination Imagination Team

Catherine Carlton introduced the “D.I Vocados”, fourth-graders part of a Destination Imagination (DI) Team from Arlington ISD. The students presented their community service project that resulted in donating nearly 400 blankets to MHMR for people experiencing homelessness. The team competed and placed 6th in the global DI competition last month.

Special Employee Milestone Recognition

Ms. Carlton recognized 3 employees for their tenure with MHMR: Shaun Hill, 20 years, Neilee Ware, 30 years, and Espi West, 35 years.

Board Training

Ramey Heddins presented on Jail Services. He discussed MHMR mental health services at the jail, including mental health screenings and jail-based restoration.

MHMR Foundation

Ms. Carlton shared an MHMR Foundation update: including the upcoming audit and Opening Doors sponsorship and tickets available in July. The Foundation impact reports were included in the Board packet.

Committee Updates

1. **Adult Behavioral Health CAC** (Ramey Heddins) – The committee update was provided in the Board packet.
2. **Youth Services CAC** (Laura Kender) – The committee update was provided in the Board packet.
3. **Early Childhood Wellness Council** (Laura Kender) – The committee update was provided in the Board packet.
4. **Disability Services CAC** (Catherine Carlton) – The committee update was provided in the Board packet.
5. **Program Committee** (Carey Cockerell) - The committee update was provided in the Board packet.
6. **Business Committee** (Lyn Willis) - The committee update was provided in the Board packet.
7. **Texas Council Update** (Bob Brown) – Texas Council update was provided in the Board packet. Ms. Carlton shared that several staff presented during the 37th Annual Texas Council Conference. Topics covered grant development, care coordination, staff resiliency and NCQA accreditation. Texas Health and Human Services (HHS) also highlighted the work of the agency during the general session, highlighting MHMR apprenticeship, OBI, and crisis prevention services.

Consent Agenda Items

Approval of Minutes of the April 30, 2024, Board Meeting

Resolved, by the Board of Trustees, that the April 30, 2024, Board Meeting Minutes are

approved.

Motion: Made by Lyn Willis and seconded by Carolyn Sims that the Consent Agenda item is approved; and the motion passed unanimously.

Action Agenda Items

Authorization for Chief Executive Officer to Execute a Contract for the Specific and Aggregate Reinsurance Coverage with Sun Life Financial

Resolved, by the Board of Trustees, that the Chief Executive Officer is authorized to negotiate and execute a contract with Sun Life Financial for the specific and aggregate reinsurance coverage for medical claims for a premium cost estimated based on enrollment to be \$2,119,253.

Motion: Made by Roy Griffin and seconded by Ms. Sims that the Action Agenda item is approved; and the motion passed unanimously.

April Financials

Aaron Bovos reviewed the April financials, including cash reserves, the number of days of reserve, charity care program reimbursement and accounts receivables.

May Financials

Mr. Bovos reviewed the May financials, including cash reserves, the number of days of reserve, charity care program reimbursement and accounts receivables. Mr. Bovos reviewed the grants that have been accepted.

CEO Report

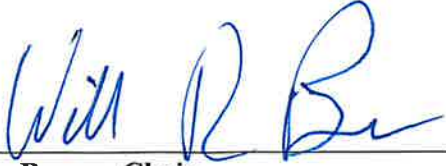
- 3rd Quarter Compliance Report – Paul Duncan shared the findings from the compliance report including the year to date.
- Revenue/Expenditures – Ms. Garnett shared four revenue contracts recently finalized:
 - i. Health Community Collaborative (HCC) Grant Program for \$23,555,992.
 - ii. HHSC Grant for Youth Crisis Outreach Team Grant – total amount of \$1,750,000.00
 - iii. HHSC Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH) in the amount of \$2,749,634
 - iv. HHSC Local Mental Health Authority Performance Agreement Grant - \$113,913,862.
 - v. HHSC Early Childhood Intervention (ECI) Services Grant Performance Contract – in the amount of 67,695,015.
 - vi. Pritzker Family Foundation Grant - \$625,000 for implementation of a plan to share lessons learned, tools and processes from the comprehensive and high-quality community-based PN-3 system in Tarrant County.
 - vii. Tarrant County Hospital District, JPS Health Network – contract amount is \$12,777,120 to coincide with \$720 per bed day multiplied by 17,776 beds.
- Fort Worth Magazine – Ms. Carlton shared MHMR was picked as the reader’s pick for Service Organization in the May issue of Fort Worth Magazine.

Executive Session

As authorized by Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, the Board of Trustees reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session at any time during the course of this meeting to seek legal advice from its Attorney about any matters listed on the agenda.

Adjourn

Made by Ms. Sims and seconded by Ms. Willis that the June 25, 2024, meeting is adjourned. The motion passed. Ms. Capel adjourned the meeting at 1:19 p.m.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Will R Brown", written over a horizontal line.

William Brown, Chair

Carey Cockerell, Secretary