



# Betty Hardwick Center

A Community Resource

*Behavioral Health/Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities*

## BETTY HARDWICK CENTER MINUTES OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES' MEETING

March 3, 2015

2616 SOUTH CLACK, ABILENE, TEXAS

**Trustees Present:**

Michael Whitehorn  
Steve Austin  
Art Casarez  
Keith Dowell  
Vicky Hicks  
Patty Bundick

**Staff Present:**

Jenny Goode  
Jennifer Farrar  
Jeanine McNulty  
Kristi Terbush  
Dena Heaton  
Ginger Smith  
Denise Green  
Deborah Kilpatrick

**Trustees Absent:**

Dee Moore  
Rita Johnston  
Terri Plumlee

**Executive Staff Absent:**

Theron Cole

**Guests Present:**

Guests of employees  
receiving awards

15.07.01.

**Invocation/Quorum/Recognition of Guests**

Vice-Chair, Michael Whitehorn, called the meeting to order at 5:20 p.m. Dr. Whitehorn stated that a quorum of five (5) Board members was present. He then delivered the invocation.

15.07.02.

**Citizens Comments**

There were no citizens' comments.

15.07.03.

**Employee Awards and Recognition for 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter**

The following employees were recognized for their years of service.

Denise Green	15 years	Accountant
Gary Carroll	15	CLOIP Lead Service Coordinator
Ginger Smith	15	Chief Financial Officer

15.07.04.

**Training Info/Presentation – Texas Council Legislative Efforts**

Mrs. Goode provided an update on the Texas Council Legislative efforts which included: In Community. Every Day; Equitable Access to Essential Mental Health Documents; 84<sup>th</sup> Texas Legislative Session Priorities; Draft Appropriations Tables

This session the funding requests falls into 3 categories – Equity of access to MH services – outpatient MH treatment asking for \$65 million to increase ready access to essential MH outpatient treatment for adults and children; alternatives to hospitalizations request is \$37 million to support

DSHS Legislative Appropriations Request to increase community-based alternatives to inpatient care; In-patient psychiatric care request of \$289 million to add 720 beds to the state hospital system over the 2016-17 biennium.

Intellectual and Developmental Disability Services is asking the legislature to continue to fund new waiting list slots for waivers; to continue to fund the existing general revenue services that are funded today; supporting requests from DARS for ECI to continue to fund those services at the same level with increases.

**15.07.05. Oath of Office (Board Members and Officers)**

Mrs. Kilpatrick administered the Oath of Office to Board member: Patty Bundick. This is a requirement of the Performance Contract with Texas Department of State Health Services and Texas Department of Aging and Disability.

The addition of Ms. Bundick to the board changes the quorum from 5 to 6.

**15.07.06. Minutes of January 6, 2015 Board Meeting**

On a motion by Steve Austin, seconded by Vicky Hicks, the Board approved the minutes from the Board meeting January 6, 2015.

5 For            0 Against        1 Abstained

The Board Chair abstains from voting.

**15.07.07. Financial Reports, January, 2015**

Mrs. Smith summarized the financial reports for January, 2015. The Center had a surplus of \$94,333 for the month.

On a motion by Steve Austin, seconded by Art Casarez the Board accepted the financial report as presented

5 For            0 Against        1 Abstained

**15.07.08. Consideration of Hendrick Contract**

On a motion by Steve Austin, seconded by Keith Dowell, the Board approved the proposed contract with Hendrick Medical Center, permitting the CEO to move forward with implementing the program. This program would enable us to hire or contract for the equivalent of another full time psychiatrist to provide psychiatric services to persons outside of our system of care.

5 For            0 Against        1 Abstained

**15.07.09. Consideration of Non Event Gala**

On a motion by Vicky Hicks, seconded by Steve Austin, the Board approved the Center to participate in the statewide Non Event Gala, in the effort to raise some funds.

5 For            0 Against      1 Abstained

**15.07.10. Consideration of PNAC Appointments**

On a motion by Keith Dowell, seconded by Vicky Hicks, the Board approved the appointment of Irina Molina and Richard Schaefer to the Planning and Network Advisory Committee.

5 For            0 Against      1 Abstained

**15.07.11. Information Items**

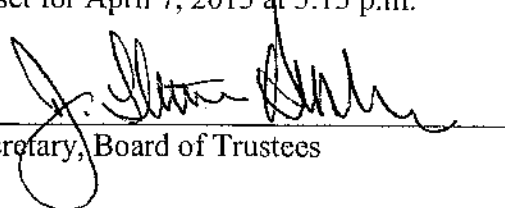
- Benefits Considerations – Health Insurance and Retirement Plan – Mrs. Goode met with Tommy Morris Agency about doing an RFP for Center health insurance. The Center currently has the retirement plan with ICMA, but has not had good customer service. There is some consideration for changing to another group for the retirement plan.

Other Community and/or Staff Meetings for the CEO – Mrs. Goode provided a review of the meetings that she and executive staff attended for the month of February.

**15.07.12. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:44 p.m. with all business being completed. The next meeting was set for April 7, 2015 at 5:15 p.m.

APPROVED:   
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Chair, Board of Trustees

  
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Secretary, Board of Trustees