



Betty Hardwick Center

A Community Resource

Behavioral Health/Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities

**BETTY HARDWICK CENTER
MINUTES OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES' MEETING
January 7, 2014
2616 SOUTH CLACK, ABILENE, TEXAS**

Trustees Present:

Steve Austin
Dee Moore
Michael Whitehorn
Art Casarez
Vicky Hicks

Staff Present:

Jenny Goode
Jennifer Farrar
Jeanine McNulty
Terry Hayhurst
Patty Collier
Jerri Roberts
Connie Cholewinski
Kajecanna Jones

Dena Heaton
Theron Cole
Ginger Smith
Ellis Miller
Shea Manuel
Janice Norwood
Bockarie Mansaray
Mark Dentzer
Deborah Kilpatrick

Trustees Absent:

Rita Johnston
Keith Dowell
Terri Plumlee
Mindy Underwood

Executive Staff Absent:

Guests Present:
Various guests for
employees receiving
awards
Tommy Nelson

14.05.01 Invocation/Quorum/Recognition of Guests

Secretary, Steve Austin, called the meeting to order at 5:20 p.m. Mr. Austin stated that a quorum of five (5) Board members was present. Dr. Whitehorn then delivered the invocation. Mrs. Goode recognized the guests who were in attendance in support of employees receiving tenure awards and Tommy Nelson of Scott, Singleton, Fincher and Company, P.C.

14.05.02 Citizens Comments

There were no citizens' comments.

14.05.03 Employee Awards and Recognition for 1st Quarter

The following employees are recognized for their years of service.

Virginia HOLETON	5 years	HCS Trainer
Shea Manuel	15	ACT Case Manager
Ellis Miller	15	HCS Live In Staff
Patty Collier	15	Quality Coordinator

14.05.04

Training Info/Presentation – Affordable Care Act

Mrs. Janice Norwood and Ms. Connie Cholewinski provided a presentation on the Affordable Care Act. Reasons for the Affordable Care Act are to: provide coverage for pre-existing conditions, provide access to certain free preventative services, provide access to health coverage through the Marketplace, provide health coverage up to age 25 for dependents on policies with dependent coverage, provide cost share and tax cuts on premiums for eligible consumers, provide adjusted gross income changes effective 01/01/14 for Medicaid/Chip and provide coverage to those that had no insurance or were underinsured. The Marketplace provides one process to determine eligibility, offers choice of plans and levels of coverage and insurance companies compete for business. A Qualified Health Plan is a plan offered by an insurance company that is licensed by the state and is in good standing, covers essential health benefits, offers at least one plan at the silver level and one at the gold level of cost sharing and agrees to charge the same premium rate whether offered directly through the Marketplace or outside the Marketplace.

Essential benefits include: ambulatory patient services, emergency services, hospitalization, maternity and newborn care, mental health & substance use disorder services including behavioral health treatment, prescription drugs and pediatric services.

Plans offered in Taylor, Jones, Callahan, Stephens and Shackelford are: Firstcare Health Plans and Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas

Betty Hardwick Center offers two certified Healthcare Navigators who can assist individuals through the Marketplace, helping with applications, plan choices and exemptions. The Navigators also provide education meeting at various sites in the BHC catchment area. They have an ongoing partnership with Council of Government Healthcare Navigator, Christian Ministries, Big Country Aids Resources, International Rescue and Noah Project.

Helpful links: Health Insurance Marketplace Call Center 1-800-318-2596

<https://www.healthcare.gov/>

Healthcare Navigators

Connie Cholewinski 325-690-5213 ccholewinski@bhcmhmr.org

Janice Norwood 325-690-5256 jnorwood@bhcmhmr.org

14.05.05 Consideration of Annual Audit Report
On a motion by Michael Whitehorn, seconded by Dee Moore, the Board accepted the FY 2013 Independent Financial Audit Report as presented by Tommy Nelson of Scott, Singleton, Fincher and Company, P.C. and authorized staff to distribute copies to the appropriate agencies.

Mr. Nelson reported no findings. He was also very complimentary of the accounting staff.

5 For 0 Against 0 Abstained

14.05.06 Minutes of November 5, 2013 Board Meeting
On a motion by Vicky Hicks, seconded by Art Casarez, the Board approved the minutes from the Board meeting held on November 5, 2013.

5 For 0 Against 0 Abstained

14.05.07 Financial Reports, November, 2013
Mrs. Smith summarized the financial reports for November, 2013. The Center had a surplus of \$29,866 for the month.

On a motion by Michael Whitehorn, seconded by Dee Moore, the Board accepted the financial report as presented

5 For 0 Against 0 Abstained

14.05.08 Consideration of Quarterly Personnel Report
Ms. McNulty summarized the personnel report noting a 9% turnover rate.

On a motion by Dee Moore, seconded by Vicky Hicks, the Board accepted the FY 2014 First Quarter Personnel Report.

5 For 0 Against 0 Abstained

14.05.09 Consideration of Oceans Contract
On a motion by Dee Moore, seconded by Art Casarez, the Board approved a contract for Inpatient Psychiatric Hospitalization with Oceans Behavioral hospital for an amount not to exceed \$100,000 for FY 14.

5 For 0 Against 0 Abstained

14.05.10 Consideration of Youth Mental Health First Aid
On a motion by Vicky Hicks, seconded by Michael Whitehorn, the Board approved the Center to enter into an agreement with the National Council of Community Behavioral Health in the amount of \$31,500 to host a local Mental Health First Aid Training.

5 For 0 Against 0 Abstained

14.05.11 Consideration of Approval of Veterans Mental Health Grant
On a motion by Michael Whitehorn, seconded by Art Casarez, the Board approved the Center's application to the Texas Veterans Commission to develop a peer led Drop In Center and provide Counseling services to Veterans and their family members.

5 For 0 Against 0 Abstained

14.05.12 Consideration of Quarterly QM Report
Mrs. Heaton summarized the QM Report.

On a motion by Michael Whitehorn, seconded by Art Casarez, the Board accepted the 1st Quarter QM Report.

5 For 0 Against 0 Abstained

14.05.13 Consideration of Quarterly PNAC Report
Mrs. Heaton summarized the PNAC Report noting the PNAC had met twice in the 1st quarter.

On a motion by Vicky Hicks, seconded by Dee Moore, the Board accepted the Quarterly PNAC Report.

5 For 0 Against 0 Abstained

14.05.14 Consideration of PNAC Appointments
On a motion by Dee Moore, seconded by Vicky Hicks, the Board approved the appointment of Nancy Bailey and Suzanne Perkins, each to a two year term on the Planning and Network Advisory Committee (PNAC).

5 For 0 Against 0 Abstained

14.05.15 Information Items

- Donation Report – The Center received \$1,682.00 in donations for the 1st Quarter FY 2014.
- GFOA Award – This is the 24th consecutive year for the Center to receive this award.
- DADS Fiscal Monitoring Report – There was one recommendation on cost reporting for ECI. A corrective plan has been submitted and accepted.
- HCS Audit – HCS had a very positive review with deficiencies.

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 December.

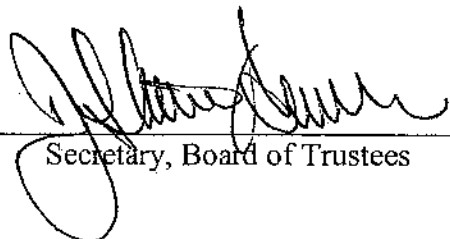
14.05.16 Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:53 p.m. with all business being completed. The next meeting was set for February 4, 2014 at 5:15 p.m.

APPROVED:



Chair, Board of Trustees



Secretary, Board of Trustees