



# Betty Hardwick Center

A Community Resource

*Behavioral Health/Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities*

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

May 5, 2015

2616 SOUTH CLACK, ABILENE, TEXAS

### Trustees Present:

Rita Johnston  
Keith Dowell  
Dee Moore  
Michael Whitehorn  
Patty Bundick  
Vicky Hicks

### Staff Present:

Jenny Goode  
Jennifer Farrar  
Jeanine McNulty  
Anji Black  
Kajeanna Jones  
Kendall Cox  
Sheila Warren

Dena Heaton  
Ginger Smith  
Theron Cole  
Odira Ughanze  
Shea Manuel  
Sheila Warren  
Grace Jones  
Deborah Kilpatrick

### Trustees Absent:

Steve Austin  
Terri Plumlee  
Art Casarez

### Executive Staff Absent:

### Guests Present:

#### 15.09.01. Invocation/Quorum/Recognition of Guests

Chair, Rita Johnston, called the meeting to order at 5:18 p.m. Mrs. Johnston stated that a quorum of six (6) Board members was present. Dr. Whitehorn then delivered the invocation. Several staff representing Leadership BHC were in attendance.

#### 15.09.02. Citizens Comments

There were no citizens' comments.

#### 15.09.03. Training Info/Presentation – YES Waiver

Mr. Cole presented information on the Youth Empowerment Services (YES) Waiver, which is a Medicaid Home and Community-Based Services Waiver that allows for more flexibility in the funding of intensive community-based services to assist children and adolescents with severe emotional disturbances to live in the community with their families. Services include: Adaptive Aids & Supports, Community Living Supports, Family Supports, Minor Home Modifications, Non-Medical Transportation, Respite.

To participate in the YES Waiver, the individual must meet the following criteria:

##### Demographic Criteria

- Be between 3-18 years of age
- Reside in one of the 5 counties
- Reside in a non-institutional setting with the child's Legally Authorized Representative; or in the child's own home or apartment if legally emancipated.

Clinical Criteria

- Have serious functional impairment or acute severe psychiatric symptoms as indicated by:  
Risk or self-harm  
Disruptive or aggressive behavior  
Family Resources  
School Behavior  
Current Diagnosis
- There is a reasonable expectation that, without YES Waiver services, the individual would qualify for inpatient care

Financial Criteria

A child or adolescent must be eligible for Medicaid

- If you are a current Medicaid recipient, you may already meet financial requirements for the YES Waiver or additional information may be required.
- If you are not a current Medicaid recipient, you may qualify to receive Medicaid through the YES Waiver.

Financial eligibility is based on standards to determine eligibility for Medicaid in institutions and parental income is not counted.

Services are accessed through the Local Mental Health Authority (LMHA) in the five counties served by Betty Hardwick Center.

**15.09.04. Minutes of April 7, 2015 Board Meeting**

On a motion by Michael Whitehorn, seconded by Vicky Hicks, the Board approved the minutes from the Board meeting April 7, 2015.

5 For            0 Against        1 Abstained

The Board Chair abstains from voting.

**15.09.05. Financial Reports, March, 2015**

Mrs. Smith summarized the financial reports for March, 2015. The Center had a deficit of \$13,401 for the month.

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

5 For            0 Against        1 Abstained

**15.09.06. Consideration of Audit Engagement Letter**

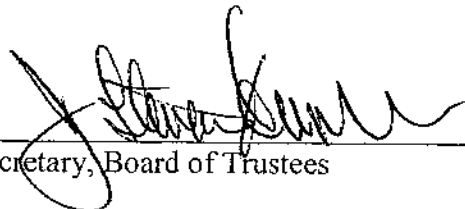
On a motion by Vicky Hicks, seconded by Michael Whitehorn, the Board accepted the audit Engagement Letter with Scott, Singleton, Fincher and Company, P.C. for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2015, authorizing the Board Chair to sign and instructing staff to prepare for the audit.

5 For            0 Against        1 Abstained

- 15.09.07. Consideration of FY 2016 Holiday Calendar**  
On a motion by Keith Dowell, seconded by Vicky Hicks, the Board approved the FY 2016 Holiday Calendar as presented.  
5 For            0 Against    1 Abstained
- 15.09.08. Consideration to Transfer Retirement Plan from ICMA to ISC**  
On a motion by Vicky Hicks, seconded by Patty Bundick, the Board approved the transfer of the Center's employee retirement assets and ongoing administration of the retirement plan from ICMARSC to ISC Group.  
5 For            0 Against    1 Abstained
- 15.09.09. Consideration of Approval of Sponsoring Agency Funding Requests**  
On a motion by Dee Moore, seconded by Keith Dowell, the Board authorized the CEO to issue funding request to the sponsoring agencies.  
5 For            0 Against    1 Abstained
- 15.09.10. Consideration of Approval to Increase FasPsych Contract**  
This item was tabled until a later date.
- 15.09.11. Information Items**
- FY 2016 Insurance Proposal – Our current insurance provider is gathering information to be presented at a future board meeting.
  - Video by Sheriff Dennis Wilson – The Board viewed a video by Sheriff Wilson of Limestone County, which encouraged collaboration between law enforcement and community centers.
- 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 April.
- 15.09.12. Adjournment**  
The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m. with all business being completed. The next meeting was set for June 2, 2015 at 5:15 p.m.

APPROVED:

  
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Chair, Board of Trustees

  
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Secretary, Board of Trustees