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**BETTY HARDWICK CENTER
MINUTES OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES' MEETING
December 3, 2019
2616 SOUTH CLACK, ABILENE, TEXAS**

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Trustees Present:

Rita Johnston
Priscilla Rayford
Dee Moore
Michael Whitehorn
Art Casarez
Vicky Hicks
Ed Miller (Ex-Officio)
Andre Moore (Ex-Officio)

Staff Present:

Jenny Goode
Theron Cole
Chris Mabry
Mark Morrell
Kim Witkowski
Terry Hayhurst
Chuck McGinnis
Darlene Anderson

Michael Jones
Jennifer Farrar
Dena Heaton
Keely Acklin
Noreen White
Ken Robinson
LaKeisha Newbins
Nancy Elliot

Trustees Absent:

Terri Plumlee
Keith Dowell
Judy Patterson

Executive Staff Absent:

Guests Present:
Family & friends
of employees
receiving awards

20.04.01. Invocation/Quorum/Recognition of Guests

Chair, Michael Whitehorn, called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m. He stated that a quorum of six (6) Board members was present. Dr. Whitehorn then delivered the invocation

20.04.02. Citizens Comments

There were no citizens' comments.

20.04.03. Employee and Board Awards and Recognition 1st Quarter

The following employees and board members were recognized for their years of service.

Chuck McGinnis	5 years	Maintenance Coordinator
Kimberly Witkowski	5	Speech Language Pathologist
LaKeisha Newbins	5	Day Hab Trainer
Nancy Flores	10	ECI Enrollment Coordinator
Mark Morrell	15	IT Director
Rita Johnston	15	Board of Trustees Member
Vicky Hicks	15	Board of Trustees Secretary

20.04.04. Training/Info Presentation – Q & A with the Community Response Team

The Center began the current Community Response Team in June 2019. Team members Brian Poyner (APD), Jordan Dickison (AFD) and Andrea Reyes (BHC) provided information regarding the CRT and answered questions from the Board. The team participated in training May 20-24 which consisted of: Policy Overview & Community Resource Panel; Mental Health First Aid for Law Enforcement; Preventing and Managing Aggressive Behavior; CJIS data system for non APD staff. Days of operation are Tuesday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Since the CRT started in June, they have seen about 170-180 clients per month. Daily, the team takes behavioral health calls that come in to 911 and they do in person follow up with individuals they have seen in previous days/weeks in crisis. There is some preventative and ongoing engagement contacts. We're tracking the number of people served, the people diverted from jail and the people diverted from the ER.

Each agency supports the cost of their personnel and some of the necessary equipment. The Behavioral Advisory Team Subcommittee secured two, \$50,000 grants from The Leggett Foundation and the Kickapoos Springs Foundation. BHC, on behalf of this group, submitted a grant application to the Bureau of Justice Assistance that was recently approved. It will fund a second team for about 3 years, starting in early 2020.

20.04.05. Minutes of November 5, 2019 Board Meeting

On a motion by Rita Johnston, seconded by Dee Moore, the Board approved the minutes from the Board meeting on November 5, 2019.

5 For 0 Against 1 Abstained

The Board Chair abstains from voting.

20.04.06. Financial Reports, October, 2019

Mr. Mabry summarized the financial reports for October, 2019. The Center had a surplus of \$76,710 year-to-date.

On a motion by Priscilla Rayford, seconded by Vicky Hicks, the Board accepted the financial report as presented.

5 For 0 Against 1 Abstained

20.04.07. Consideration of Mission, Vision, Values Revision

On a motion by Rita Johnston, seconded by Dee Moore, the Board approved the revised Mission, Vision and Values, which are being updated to blend with the 2626 remodel.

5 For 0 Against 1 Abstained

20.04.08.

Consideration of HB 13 Funding Application

On a motion by Vicky Hicks, seconded by Priscilla Rayford, the Board approved the submission of HB 13 projects (Elm Creek Psychiatry and Jail Transitions Program) to HHSC for consideration

5 For 0 Against 1 Abstained

20.04.09.

Information Items

- Client and Staff Holiday Events – Client holiday parties will be held on December 10 throughout the day. Staff party will be on December 19 in the board room, with 2 sessions at 11:00 and 12:30
- TCOOMMI Grant Expansion – This expansion is for our TCOOMMI program which helps individuals as they transition from jail.
- AEDs – BHC now 7 AED Defibrillators in 7 areas. Staff have started training with Ms. Cobb.

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.

20.04.10.


Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:28 p.m. with all business being completed. The next meeting was set for January 7, 2020 at 5:15 p.m.

APPROVED:



Chair, Board of Trustees



Secretary, Board of Trustees