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**BETTY HARDWICK CENTER
MINUTES OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES' MEETING
May 4, 2021
2616 SOUTH CLACK, ABILENE, TEXAS**

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Trustees Present:

Michael Whitehorn
Dee Moore
Vicky Hicks
Ed Miller
Rosendo Contreras (Teams)
Terri Plumlee
Art Casarez (Teams)
Judy Patterson

Staff Present:

Jenny Goode
Jennifer Farrar
Dena Heaton
Donna Parker

Michael Jones
Chris Mabry
Gloria Snell
Monica Isbell
Deborah Kilpatrick

Trustees Absent:

Elijah Anderson
Andre Moore
Priscilla Rayford

Executive Staff Absent: Guests Present:

Theron Cole

- 21.09.01. Invocation/Quorum/Recognition of Guests**
Dr. Whitehorn called the meeting to order at 5:17 p.m. He stated that a quorum of eight (8) Board members was present. Dr. Whitehorn then delivered the invocation.
- 21.09.02. Citizens Comments**
There were no citizens' comments.
- 21.09.03. Training Info/Presentation – Report on PHP/CCP and 1115 Waiver Extension Rescinded**
Mrs. Goode provided the following information. The Centers for Medicare, and Medicaid Services (CMS) withdrew its 10-year extension approval of the Texas Healthcare Transformation and Quality Improvement Program under the 1115 Waiver. The Public Health Provider – Charity Care Pool (PHP-CCP) was included as part of the 1115 Waiver Extension, which is a pool of money for uncompensated care. The Directed Payment Program-Behavioral Health Services (DPP-BHS) is currently under consideration by CMS. Texas has been given the opportunity to resubmit a complete extension application.
- The Center is currently in year 10 of the Delivery System Reform Incentive Payment (DSRIP) program. It enables us to benefit from some federal funds. This program ends on September 30, 2021. The Texas Council of Community Centers urges the federal government to take necessary steps to continue critical healthcare funding for public safety net providers by continuing the DSRIP program.
- The Health and Human Services Commission wrote the plan for the 2 funding mechanisms – PHP/CCP and the DPP-BHS. These components were part of the plan of the State of Texas, for the extension. They asked for 10 more years of these programs.
- Public hospitals and public health clinics also benefit from these programs.
- 21.09.04. Minutes of April 6, 2021 Board Meeting**
On a motion by Vicky Hicks, seconded by Terri Plumlee, the Board approved the minutes from the Board meeting on April 6, 2021.
- 7 For 0 Against 1 Abstained
- The Board Chair abstains from voting.
- 21.09.05. Financial Reports, March, 2021**
Mr. Mabry summarized the financial reports for March, 2021. The Center had a loss of \$116,447 for the month and a deficit of \$85,735 for the year. Removing construction expense, we would be at \$59,481 for the month and \$90,193 for the year.
- On a motion by Judy Patterson, seconded by , Dee Moore, the Board accepted the financial report as presented.
- 7 For 0 Against 1 Abstained
- 21.09.06. Consideration of FY 22 Holiday Calendar**

On a motion by Dee Moore, seconded by Judy Patterson, the Board approved the holiday calendar for FY 22.

7 For 0 Against 1 Abstained

21.09.07. Consideration of Application for CMHC Grant

On a motion by Vicky Hicks, seconded by Terri Plumlee, the Board approved the Center's application for the Community Mental Health Centers (CMHC) grant and authorized the CEO to submit.

7 For 0 Against 1 Abstained

21.09.08. Consideration of Sponsoring Agency Funding Requests

On a motion by Dee Moore, seconded by Judy Patterson, the Board approved the CEO to submit letters requesting FY 22 funding request to sponsoring entities.

7 For 0 Against 1 Abstained

21.09.09. Consideration of FY 21 Audit Engagement Letter

On a motion by Terri Plumlee, seconded by Judy Patterson, the Board approved the FY 21 Audit Engagement letter from Eide Bailly, LLP.

7 For 0 Against 1 Abstained

21.09.10. Information Items

- Adaptive Recreation Update – Mrs. Farrar stated that a draft lease agreement has been sent to the City for approval from City Council. After approval of the lease and partnership, we plan to be open by September, if not before.
- Community Health Worker Contract – Mrs. Goode shared information regarding the Community Health Worker Program which would focus on outreach to individuals with behavioral health and medical needs.
- 50th Anniversary Celebrations – BHC will celebrate it's 50th anniversary in July. Consideration for a couple of open house events at different locations. More information to come.

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.


21.09.11. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m. with all business being completed. The next meeting was set for June 1, 2021 at 5:15 p.m.

APPROVED:



Chair, Board of Trustees



Secretary, Board of Trustees