

FOUR COUNTY ADAMHS BOARD

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Archbold, Ohio 43502
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Meeting Minutes

September 11, 2025

1. Call to Order and Introduction of Guests

Board Chairperson John Nye called the September meeting of the Four County ADAMhs Board to order at 5:30 p.m.

Present: Karen Bleeks, Darrell Handy, Sandy Herman, Jill Mack, Jeff Mayer, Tim Meister, John Nye, Cindy Rose, Stephen Seagrave, Nick Varano

Absent: Tod Hug, Tim Livengood, Roy Miller, Michelle Oyer-Rose, Dr. William Richter, Wayne Smith, Mari Yoder

Guests: Megan Bowser, Recovery Services of Northwest Ohio; Roberta Mack, Center for Child and Family Advocacy; Christine McVay, OhioGuidestone, Jessica Kline, New Home Development; Pat Hardy, OhioGuidestone

Staff Present: Tonie Long, Bethany Shirkey, Angelica Abels, BJ Horner, Lisa Jones

Community Response-Christine McVay from OhioGuidestone stated a grant was received from SAMHSA (Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration) for a renovation project for the Napoleon location. Jessica Kline from New Home Development thanked the Board for their financial support of the 10-unit Upton II Housing Project. Construction is underway and the framing of the building has just been completed.

2. Approval of Board Minutes of June 12, 2025

9-11-25-1 Vote

MOTION: Stephen Seagrave **SECOND:** Darrell Handy **MOTION PASSED**

3. Board Ends

A. Committee Reports: Karen Bleeks reported that the Nominating Committee met on July 24, 2025 to review several new Board Member applications. The committee voted to submit the application of Jill Mack to the Defiance County Commissioners for appointment. Darrell Handy was also approved as an OHMHAS appointment.

Karen Bleeks reported that the Executive Committee met on September 2, 2025 to discuss the decision to end the Board's contract with Quadco due to a lack of individuals receiving services. Karen reported the Board's interest in providing "Medicaid 101" trainings to assist front line staff in understanding the new Medicaid requirements. Karen also shared that Tonie is exploring a possible collaboration with the Supported Employment Program to assist individuals with meeting the new Medicaid employment eligibility requirements as well.

B. *Motion was made to approve the committee appointments as presented to the Board in Memo 9-11-25-1*

9-11-25-2 Vote

MOTION: Stephen Seagrave SECOND: Jeff Mayer MOTION PASSED

C. Board Chair John Nye read a statement from Michelle Oyer-Rose stating that she has reviewed Policy 1.2 (Service Accessibility). The language in item No. 7 should be updated to reflect the most updated version of the Americans with Disabilities Act. With this language change, the Board will be in compliance.

9-11-25-3 Vote

MOTION: Nick Varano SECOND: Sandy Herman MOTION PASSED

4. Board Monitoring

- A. 4.1 Financial Conditions (FY25)-4th Quarter Report- Board Member Jeff Mayer reported that he has reviewed Policy 4.1 (Financial Conditions) and that the Board is in compliance. (A copy of the FY25 fourth quarter report follows the meeting minutes.)
- B. FY25 Utilization Report- Bethany Shirkey reported the 4th quarter totals were very good. Access to care was good. There was only one complaint filed for FY25. She noted seeing a higher number of screens in Williams County. The number of days from first contact to assessment and number of days from assessment to treatment are all in compliance. Open positions for the quarter are in the areas of licensed clinical, prevention, and case management.
- C. CEO Report-Tonie welcomed three new members to the Board. Jill Mack and Nick Varano who are Defiance County Commissioner appointments and Darrell Handy who has been appointed by OHMHAS. Tonie shared that she is very excited about the Disaster Preparedness Plan that the Board will be rolling out in the near future. Tonie stated that it is important that we are ready to serve our communities in the event of a disaster. Tonie stated that the Partnering with Schools in Threat Assessment & Management Workshop that was held in August was well attended by members of our workforce and several agency directors would be in attendance for the Disaster Behavioral Health Plan Review Training being held in Findlay on September 12th. Tonie shared that Board has applied for funding to hold table top activities in each of our four Counties. Tonie discussed the States decision to regionalize MRSS (Mobile Response and Stabilization Services). This contract was awarded to Unison Behavioral Health. They are up and running and have secured office space in our community. The next wave of change will involve adult crisis services. Tonie stated that there is a real possibility that we could lose control of our local crisis care; however, Tonie shared that OhioGuidestone has been extremely helpful during this transition process and no one will go without care due to the services that OhioGuidestone provides. The Board and its providers will work hard to ensure that there is no wrong door and that clients experience a warm handoff when referred to other services. Tonie discussed the need for updated security measures at the Board Office. The safety of staff and visitors is of the utmost importance. The Board has received quotes from Habitec Security. Tonie is working with the building landlord and exploring grants to help with the cost of the security updates.

5. Approval of the Approval Agenda

Tonie informed the Board that the RSNWO Women's Grant Funds that were approved in May would no longer be passing through the Board. RSNWO will be managing the funds inhouse. The FY25& FY26 comparison spreadsheet reflects this change.

- A. To authorize payment of the itemized list of invoices as presented to the Board at the September 11, 2025 Board meeting under the provision of Then and Now Certificates. (A copy of the list follows the meeting minutes.)
- B. To authorize filing calendar year 2025 adjusted appropriations and estimated revenue as submitted to the Board, and to authorize the CEO to make any and all necessary adjustments to calendar year 2025 appropriations and estimated revenue to carry on the fiscal functions of the Board as allowed in ORC Section 340.032. (A copy follows the meeting minutes.)
- C. To authorize the Board CEO to sign an agreement with Corrections Center of Northwest Ohio to administer the Criminal Justice Behavioral Linkage Grant for an amount not to exceed \$110,000. for the period July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.
- D. To authorize the Board CEO to provide funding support to Sufficient Grace Ministries in an amount not to exceed \$10,000. for the period of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.
- E. To authorize the Board CEO to sign an amendment to the SFY 2026 contract with Northwestern Ohio Community Action Commission for an amount not to exceed \$23,800. for the period July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.
- F. To authorize the Board CEO to sign an agreement with Henry County Hospital, Fulton County Health Center, Parkview Montpelier, and Bryan Hospital to provide patient transportation in the amount not to exceed \$24,000. for the period of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.
- G. To authorize the CEO to sign an agreement with Patrick Henry Local Schools for an amount not to exceed \$55,000. for the period of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.

9-11-25-4 Vote

MOTION: Jeff Mayer

SECOND: Sandy Herman

MOTION PASSED

6. New Business

- A. Board member contact information was updated.
- B. December Board meeting will take place at the Barn Restaurant.

7. Executive Session

No executive session was needed.

8. Adjournment

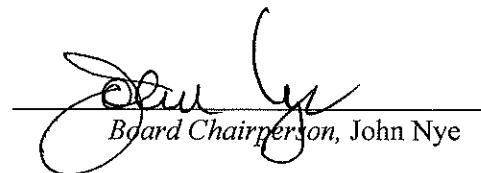
9-11-25-5 Vote

MOTION: Darrell Handy

SECOND: Karen Bleeks

MOTION PASSED

The meeting adjourned at 6:23 p.m.



John Nye
Board Chairperson, John Nye

