

CUYAHOGA COUNTY COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH BOARD

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

October 12, 2005

Chairperson Bonita Caplan called the Executive Committee meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Committee Members Present: Bonita Caplan, Bill Sheehan, Mieke Smith, Mary Warr

Absent: John. Bazyk, A. Hull

Board Staff: William M. Denihan, Chief Executive Officer, Valeria Harper-Bledsoe, Chief Operating Officer; Cassandra Richardson, Chief Financial Officer; Rose Fini, Director of Risk Management; Scott Osiecki, Director of External Affairs; Terri Oldham, Children's Project Administrator; Kathleen LoPresti, Quality Improvement Specialist

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - The minutes of September 7, 2005, were approved as written. The Chair expressed her pleasure with the successful result of the CCMHB's initial Recovery Conference. Mr. Osiecki, Ms. Lester and Board staff involved were thanked for their hard work. Debriefing of the conference will occur in the Governmental & Community Affairs Committee.

2. FY-05 COUNTY SUBSIDY PROCESS

Mr. Denihan reported on the preliminary county budget meeting held. Four specific areas were highlighted: 1) Transitional Youth; 2) Non-Medicaid Children in Schools; 3) Criminal Justice Program; and 4) Homeless and Housing.

Other areas include, but are not limited to the following:

- Continuation of Adult Guardianship Service Program
- Children Who Witness Violence Program
- Transportation issues for consumers
- Working Poor; Non-Medicaid adults who have jobs but do not qualify for Medicaid
- Greater involvement with homeless shelters and re-entry services
- Performance based employment program
- Dual diagnosis program
- Recommend putting \$250,000 aside for capital funding projects regarding review of FY2007 & potential shortfalls
- Consumer oriented programs
- Review of CSP programs
- Review of ACT team programs

Mr. Denihan noted that the 2005 funds do not have to be spent within two months. Board staff will meet internally to discuss the process for allocating funds. Requests for Proposals may be indicated for innovative programs; Board staff will come up with a process that will include potential dates for RFP's and will recommend them to the Board of Governors.

3. PROVIDER PRESENTATIONS

Executive Committee Input RE: Provider Presentations:

- Provider agencies might consider bringing consumers from their agencies to provide direct feedback about programs provided, such as benefits, improvements needed, etc.
- Interest expressed in learning about future initiatives
- Provide a mechanism for the general public to hear presentations
- Discussion followed on opportunities to obtain more audience participation at the General Meetings
- Interest in seeing provider presentations continue; however, not particularly at General Meetings; advocated for holding presentations at the committee level.

3. PROVIDER PRESENTATIONS, (Continued)**Executive Committee Consensus:**

- 1) Provider presentations should be an informational piece.
- 2) Need to make it clear to Board members that the purpose is for information sharing
- 3) Ten minutes for presentations with 10 minutes for questions & answers
- 4) Provider presentations will be made at General Meetings
- 5) Provide criteria for agency presenters:
 - client numbers
 - Medicaid / Non-Medicaid
 - Programs unique to them
 - Future goals or challenges
 - Research activities

4. OLD BUSINESS

- Gala Event – Ms. Fini met with LNE Group. So far, \$35,000 has been raised to date. Twelve major donors will be visited by Lee Weingart and Mr. Denihan. LNE Group staff will do follow-ups. Invitations will be mailed the last week of October.
- The Mental Health Advocacy Coalition will host its next Legislative Brunch on Friday, October 15, 2005.
- The Board of Governor Annual Training will be scheduled for Wednesday, December 7 from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.; the featured topic will be Central Intake.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 11:05 p.m.

Submitted by: Carol Krajewski, Executive Specialist to the Board of Governors

Approved by: Bonita W. Caplan, CCCMHB Chairperson