



Minutes
Board of Trustees
Tuesday, September 26, 2023
4:30 p.m. – Thomas M. Wernert Center

Call to Order – Deborah Riley-Jackson called the meeting to order at 4:52 p.m.

Roll Call – Evamae LaVoy.

Trustees Present

Jesse Baum, Tim Cummins, Amanda Denniss, Troy Deters, Warren Frary, Crystal Heft, Georgia Humbarger, Evamae LaVoy, George Monger, and Deborah Riley-Jackson.

Absent: Raina Dawson, Henry Hartford

Staff Present

Patti Robb, Executive Director
Tonalee Tucker, Finance and Operations Director

Recognition of Visitors and TMWC Staff –

Claudia Cooper, TMWC Member
Lucy Dias, TMWC Member
Eric Golus, Audit Manager, Clark Schaefer Hackett
Gwen Hoskins, TMWC Member
Theresa Nelson, TMWC Member

Thomas M. Wernert Center Mission Statement was read by Warrant Frary.

Approval of September 2023, Board Meeting Minutes

Jesse Baum made a motion to approve the September 26, 2023, minutes as presented in the October 24, 2023 Board meeting packet. Evamae Lavoy seconded the motion. Motion carried.



THOMAS M. WERNERT CENTER

FOR MENTAL HEALTH RECOVERY & SUPPORT

Annual Meeting of the Board of Trustees and Membership
Friday, November 17, 2023
11:00 a.m. – Thomas M. Wernert Center Club Room
Agenda

Welcome/Introductions – Deborah Riley-Jackson

Roll Call – Evamae LaVoy

Thomas M. Wernert Center Mission Statement

“To improve the quality of life for persons living with a mental illness by offering hope and peer-driven programs that address recovery through education, advocacy, and peer support.”

Introduction of Member Candidates for Board of Trustees – Evamae Lavoy

- Distribution of Ballots – TMWC Staff
- Counting of Ballots – Tonalee tucker

FY2022 Audit Report – George Monger

Report on Attendance Numbers – Amanda Denniss

Recognition of Outgoing Board Members – Deborah Riley-Jackson and Patti Robb

Executive Director Remarks – Patti Robb

- Member Recognition
- Staff Recognition

Announcement of Newly Elected Board Members – Deborah Riley Jackson

Adjourn – Thanksgiving Lunch

Committee Reports

Finance Committee – George Monger

- Eric Golus, Audit Manager, Clark Schaefer Hackett made a FY2020 Audit Presentation.
- The Finance Committee reviewed and discussed the Audited Financial Statements for FY2023 at its Monday, October 16, 2023 meeting. The TMWC FY2023 Audit received an unmodified opinion based upon the results of the audit.

George Monger made a motion that Board of Trustees approve the FY 2023 Audit as presented October 24, 2023 board meeting. Amanda Denniss seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The committee met on October 16, 2023, to review August 2023 Financial Statements.

- **September 2023 Profit & Loss Statement (included in packet)**
 - OHMAS Outreach Grant for September is \$91,554 and favorable with \$ 72,044 YTD.
 - Allocations \$ 123,808 on target with budget.
 - Grant income includes Greater Toledo Community Foundation, Care Fund and Lovell Foundation.
 - Total income for September was \$220,941, budgeted was \$154,571 with \$66,370 over budget. YTD over budget by \$ 54,941.
 - Payroll expense is under budget by\$8,292. Positions filled.
 - Programs supplies are high due to grant spending.
 - General operating is over budget due to the advertising campaign included in OHMHAS grant.
 - Total expenses were \$ 204,476, budget \$155,893 with \$48,583 over budget due to Grant spending
 - YTD is \$ 4,280 over budget.

George Monger made a motion that Board of Trustees approve the September 2023, Financial Budget Statements as presented in the October 24, 2023 board meeting packet. Tim Cummins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Governance Committee – Deborah Riley-Jackson

Nominating Committee met on October 6 to interview five candidates for the two dates for the two open Voting Member Elected positions on the board.

- The committee was comprised of Deborah Riley-Jackson, Troy Deters, George Monger, and Jesse Baum.
- Next steps include an introduction to members on Friday, October 27 before Supper Club and a board with bios and photos placed in a prominent area to remind members about the upcoming elections. A sheet introducing the five

candidates will be attached to the November board packet.

- Deborah thanked Evamae for all of her work behind the scenes helping to get qualified candidates.

A committee led by Amanda Denniss and including Tim Cummins, Raina Dawson, Evamae Lavoy, and Executive Director Patti Robb met on September 13 to review the Code of Regulations.

- Amanda presented the board with recommended changes to the Code of Regulations. Most of the changes were grammatical; however, there were a few that changed dates and procedures.
- Attached is the list of the changes as they correspond to the section numbers on the current Code of Regulations.
- Patti will supply everyone with an updated Code of Regulations. Please bring your notebook to the next meeting to replace the old with the new.

Amanda Denniss made a motion that the Board of Trustees approve the recommended changes to the Thomas M. Wernert Center Board of Trustee Code of Regulations as presented during the October 24, 2023 board meeting. Warren Frary seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Program Committee – Jesse Baum

- The Program Committee is scheduled to meet Wednesday, October 25 (tomorrow) at 4:00 p.m. before the Let's Talk About It program.

Development and Communications Committee – Tim Cummins

- Committee met on September 13 at TMWC.
- Patti updated everyone on the status of the 'I Live' Campaign. The grant allowed us to adjust the budget and purchase additional time through October.
- We have received a \$10,000 marketing grant from OhioPRO – a consortium of peer support agencies in Columbus.
- The \$10,000 from our anonymous donor showed up in September and we received the annual \$5,000 from Buckeye Broadband.
- Heart & Soul. We're still finalizing the numbers, waiting on bills to come in.
- Giving Tuesday this year is Tuesday, November 28. This year's 'ask' is focused on 'feeding our members.' We will ask for \$25 to feed a member for one month.
- A tentative meeting is scheduled for December 13 if needed.

New Business – None

Old Business – Deborah Riley Jackson

- We are on the list for the installation of the additional camera in the back yard area.
- The fence has been fixed.

Executive Director Report – Patti Robb

Patti reported that the Strategic Plan is in rough draft format but without action items or a timeframe. She will be sending something out soon for everyone to review.

Personnel

- Maddie Cummins is our new Activities Specialist
- Debbie is still on Worker's Comp until November 5 or beyond
- Most staff will take Mental Health First Aid Training in early November.

Program

- Let's Talk About It tomorrow night from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.
- Friday, November 17 is Thanksgiving Lunch and Annual Meeting
- New Happenings include Musical Expressions Support Group in collaboration with NAMI, WISE Program with Harbor, and New Beginnings: Artist Trading Card Make & Swap with Zepf and NAMI. (see attached sheet)

Development & Communications

- Giving Tuesday is November 28.

Outreach/Advocacy Events

- Sarah Berendt and I attended the Leadership Toledo Breakfast – Sarah is a member of this year's Signature class.
- Sarah has also started regularly going to Cherry Street to set up a table. She is getting a lot of positive interest in the center and we will be working with them to get some of their folks over here to attend.
- A group of us are attending the Greater Toledo Community Foundation Excellence Awards – we may be up for a \$25,000 grant.
- We are participating in several upcoming outreach events, including Caring for the Caregiver this Saturday and Glass City Wellness Fairs in early November.

Open Session

TMWC member Claudia Cooper spoke regarding the removal of benches in the TARTA bus shelters. She and others are working to have them reinstalled.

Meeting Adjourned @ 5:58 p.m. by Deborah Riley-Jackson