

**Minutes of the Macon County Mental Health Board  
October 22, 2020, 5:30 p.m.  
Virtual Meeting**

Board Members Present: Mr. Smith, Ms. Arnold, Mr. Rathnow, Ms. Little,  
Ms. Dunn, Mr. Johnson

Board Members Absent: Mr. McRae, Ms. Hawkins, Mr. Clevenger

Staff Members Present: Mr. Macken, Ms. Shoemaker, Ms. Farmer,  
Ms. Roettger, Ms. Tangney, Mr. Pansch

Guests Present: Mr. Batman

**Call to Order**

Ms. Little called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Ms. Tangney recorded the minutes.  
A quorum was present.

**Public Comment(s)**

Public Comment limited to questions submitted through the website prior to the  
meeting. No public comment(s).

Ms. Dunn joined the meeting at 5:32pm

**Approval of Minutes**

- 1.0 Ms. Little presented the minutes of the August 20, 2020 Board meeting, asking the  
Board for any changes or comments.

Board Action: (Motion-Mr. Smith; Second-Mr. Johnson) “To accept the minutes for  
the August 20, 2020 Board Meeting.” (A roll call vote was taken. Ms. Little-Aye, Mr.  
Smith-Aye, Ms. Arnold-Aye, Mr. Rathnow-Aye, Mr. Johnson-Aye, Ms. Dunn-Aye)  
Motion carried.

**Budget & Finance**

**Decatur Public Library-One Time Funding Request**

- 2.1 Mr. Macken reviewed with the Board the request from Decatur Public Library seeking  
one-time funding to continue the provision of social work services in the library to  
support a part-time, licensed social worker housed in the Decatur Public Library.

Board Action: (Motion-Ms. Little; Second-Mr. Rathnow) “To approve one-time  
funding in the amount of \$25,000 to the Decatur Public Library in order for them to hire  
a part-time (20 hours per week) Social Worker. Funding for subsequent years would be  
contingent upon Board approval and the availability of funds resulting from the lapse of  
funding to other contract agencies.” (A roll call vote was taken. Ms. Little-Aye, Mr.

Smith-Aye, Ms. Arnold-Aye, Mr. Rathnow-Aye, Mr. Johnson-Aye, Ms. Dunn-Aye)  
Motion carried.

### **Dove Homeward Bound-One Time Funding Request**

- 2.2 Mr. Macken discussed with the Board the request from Dove asking for funding that would provide the required local match requirements by the State of Illinois for grant funding Case Management Services to Veterans.

Board Action: (Motion-Ms. Little; Second-Mr. Rathnow) “To approve one-time funding of \$37,558 to meet the local match requirement of the Case Management Services for Veterans grant being sought by Dove, Inc. Funding for subsequent years would be contingent upon Board approval and the availability of funds resulting from the lapse of funding to other contract agencies.” (A roll call vote was taken. Ms. Little-Aye, Mr. Smith-Aye, Ms. Arnold-Aye, Mr. Rathnow-Aye, Mr. Johnson-Aye, Ms. Dunn-Aye) Motion carried.

### **COVID Funding Distribution**

- 2.3 Mr. Macken explained how this funding requests are the result of staff reaching out to organizations that are primary providers of direct care to those with mental health, substance use, and developmental challenges, to see if there was a need for Board assistance in order to more effectively provide services to clients during the reduction in operations and potentially into the future once the pandemic has eased or gone away.

Board Action: (Motion-Mr. Johnson; Second-Mr. Rathnow) “To approve a total of \$97,913.25 in one-time funding that will be awarded to the organizations identified with each receiving the amount specified in their organizations proposals so as to help them provide critical access to services impacted by the COVID 19 Pandemic. Crossing Healthcare \$20,000; Catholic Charities \$4,314.50; Webster Cantrell Youth Advocacy \$13,598.75; Heritage Behavioral Health Center \$20,000; Boys and Girls Club \$20,000; Macon Resources Inc \$20,000.” (A roll call vote was taken. Ms. Little-Aye, Mr. Smith-Aye, Ms. Arnold-Aye, Mr. Rathnow-Aye, Mr. Johnson-Aye, Ms. Dunn-Aye) Motion carried.

### **Woodford Homes Carrie Lane-One Time Funding Request**

- 2.4 Mr. Macken discussed with the Board the request by Woodford Homes seeking local match support from the Mental Health Board for its application to the Illinois Housing Development Authority (IHDA) for the construction of a new supported housing development, Carrie Lane Supportive Housing.

Board Action: (Motion-Ms. Arnold; Second-Ms. Little) “To approve giving \$100,000 to \$140,000 to Woodford Homes to help meet the 10% local match that is recommended by the Illinois Housing Development Authority in order for them to consider financing the building of the proposed Carrie Lane Supported Housing Development.” (A roll call vote was taken. Ms. Little-Aye, Mr. Smith-Aye, Ms. Arnold-Aye, Mr. Rathnow-Aye, Mr. Johnson-Aye, Ms. Dunn-Aye) Motion carried.

### **Budget Modification: Juvenile Redeploy**

- 2.5 Mr. Macken explained the needed amendment for the Juvenile Redeploy (JR) program due to receiving additional funding from the state for the program.

Board Action: (Motion-Ms. Little; Second-Ms. Dunn) “To approve the increase in the budget for the Juvenile Redeploy program to \$658,540 which is an increase of \$104,000 over the previous budget amount with OKO receiving an additional \$50,000 and the CRB receiving the other \$54,000.” (A roll call vote was taken. Ms. Little-Aye, Mr. Smith-Aye, Ms. Arnold-Aye, Mr. Rathnow-Aye, Mr. Johnson-Aye, Ms. Dunn-Aye) Motion carried.

### **Budget Modification: Heritage Behavioral Health Center**

- 2.6 Mr. Macken reviewed with the Board the request by Heritage Behavioral regarding a program provided by Heritage that requires a cash match to receive the state funding. The program works with Oasis and the Continuum of Care to identify potential clients and provide case management, advocacy and counseling.

Board Action: (Motion-Mr. Rathnow; Second-Ms. Arnold) “To approve the redirection of contract funds up to \$66,150.00 for Heritages’ Hope School Collaborative to a new contract program, The Intensive Support Services Team Program.” (A roll call vote was taken. Ms. Little-Aye, Mr. Smith-Aye, Ms. Arnold-Aye, Mr. Rathnow-Aye, Mr. Johnson-Aye, Ms. Dunn-Aye) Motion carried.

### **Holiday Schedule/Request**

- 3.0 Mr. Macken discussed with the Board the request to grant staff a final floating holiday to be used in December this year and adjust the holiday calendar beginning next year.

Board Action: (Motion-Ms. Little; Second-Ms. Arnold) “To approve an extra holiday to be used during December 2020 for all Board staff and to approve a change to the Board’s Holiday schedule beginning in calendar year 2021 that would include a floating holiday for staff to be used within the calendar year, replacing the annual December holiday granted in the past.” (A roll call vote was taken. Ms. Little-Aye, Mr. Smith-Aye, Ms. Arnold-Aye, Mr. Rathnow-Aye, Mr. Johnson-Aye, Ms. Dunn-Aye) Motion carried.

### **Director's Report**

- 4.0 Mr. Macken updated the Board on the recent activity in communicating with providers regarding the COVID one-time relief funding, the Woodford Homes Carrie Lane project, the office move. It's been a very busy past several weeks.

**Board Action:** n/a

The meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m.