

**BOARD OF MENTAL HEALTH AND  
SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES**

**May 27, 2022**

**Department of Mental Health  
and Substance Abuse Services  
Oklahoma City Oklahoma**

Board members present: Courtney Knoblock, MPA, Chair  
Kim Holland, APRN-CNP  
Hossein Moini  
Shannon O'Doherty  
Gina Pazzaglia, Ph.D.  
Kristin Stacy, J.D.  
Kari Stomprud, M.Ed.  
Carisa Wilsie, Ph.D.

Others present: Carrie Slatton-Hodges, Commissioner ODMHSAS  
Durand Crosby, Ph.D., ODMHSAS  
Carol Ladd, ODMHSAS  
Joey Mickey, ODMHSAS  
Dewayne Moore, ODMHSAS  
Kelli Reid, ODMHSAS  
Melissa Miller, ODMHSAS  
Misty Capps, ODMHSAS  
Chris B. Springwell Health, L.L.C  
Jason Ballew, Northeastern Health System,  
Addiction Resource Center  
Jennifer Mathis, Northeastern Health System,  
Addiction Resource Center  
Amber Masters, NHS - ARC  
Sarah Brown, NHS - ARC  
Christina Green, ODMHSAS Legal  
Sarah Sherman, NCBH  
Suzanne L. Williams, ODMHSAS  
Lindsay Horn, ODMHSAS  
Gregory Purvis, Hope Community Services  
Shawn McCarty, ODMHSAS

**CALL TO ORDER**

Ms. Knoblock called the meeting to order and stated that a quorum was present.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MARCH 25, 2022, BOARD MEETING**

Mr. Moini moved to approve the March 25, 2022, minutes. Ms. Holland seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ms. Holland	Yes	Ms. O'Doherty	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes
Mr. Moini	Yes	Ms. Stomprud	Yes
Dr. Gina	Yes	Dr. Wilsie	Yes

**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF PROGRAM CERTIFICATION RECOMMENDATIONS**

Kelli Reid, Director of Provider Compliance and Assistance, presented the programs recommended for approval listed on Attachment A as follows:

**Alcohol and Drug Treatment Programs**

**A. Permit for Temporary Operation**

Permit for temporary operation was recommended for: Lost River Treatment Center, Wyandotte [OP: Adult], Northeastern Health System, Tahlequah [OP, Med Withdrawal: Adol., Adult]

Dr. Wilsie moved to approve permit for temporary operation for the above-referenced programs. Ms. O'Doherty seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ms. Holland	Yes	Ms. O'Doherty	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes
Mr. Moini	Yes	Ms. Stomprud	Yes
Dr. Gina	Yes	Dr. Wilsie	Yes

**B. Certification with Special Distinction**

Certification with special distinction was recommended for: Youth Services of Tulsa, Inc., Tulsa [OP: Adol]

Dr. Gina moved to approve certification with special distinction for the above-referenced programs. Ms. Holland seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ms. Holland	Yes	Ms. O'Doherty	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes
Mr. Moini	Yes	Ms. Stomprud	Yes
Dr. Gina	Yes	Dr. Wilsie	Yes

**C. Certification with Distinction**

Certification with distinction was recommended for: Creeks Mental Health Services, Inc., McAlester [OP: Adult], Rogers County Drug Abuse Program, Inc., Claremore [OP: Adol., Adult]

Ms. O'Doherty moved to approve certification with distinction for the above-referenced program. Dr. Wilsie seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ms. Holland	Yes	Ms. O'Doherty	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes
Mr. Moini	Yes	Ms. Stomprud	Yes
Dr. Gina	Yes	Dr. Wilsie	Yes

**D. Two-Year Certification**

Two-year certification was recommended for: Brighter Heights Oklahoma, L.L.C., Antlers, Broken Bow, Durant, Hugo, Idabel, Poteau [OP: Adol., Adult], House of Hope, Inc., Grove [OP, Res: Adult], Palmer Continuum of Care, Inc., Tulsa [OP, Intensive Res with Children: Adol., Adult], Street School, Inc., Tulsa [OP: Adol.],

Mr. Moini moved to approve two-year certification for the above-referenced programs. Ms. O'Doherty seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ms. Holland	Yes	Ms. O'Doherty	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes
Mr. Moini	Yes	Ms. Stomprud	Yes
Dr. Gina	Yes	Dr. Wilsie	Yes

**E. One-Year-Certification**

One-year certification was recommended for: Community Strong Counseling, L.L.C., Lawton [OP: Adol., Adult]

Ms. Stacy moved to approve one-year certification for the above-referenced programs. Ms. Holland seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ms. Holland	Yes	Ms. O'Doherty	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes
Mr. Moini	Yes	Ms. Stomprud	Yes
Dr. Gina	Yes	Dr. Wilsie	Yes

**Comprehensive Community Addiction Recovery Center Programs**

**A. Two-Year Certification**

Two-year certification was recommended for: Roadback, Inc., Lawton [Res: Adult]

Dr. Gina moved to approve two-year certification for the above-referenced programs. Ms. O'Doherty seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ms. Holland	Yes	Ms. O'Doherty	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes
Mr. Moini	Yes	Ms. Stomprud	Yes
Dr. Gina	Yes	Dr. Wilsie	Yes

**Opioid Substitution Treatment Programs**

**A. Permit for Temporary Operation**

Permit for temporary operation was recommended for: Lost River Treatment Center, Wyandotte, Northeastern Health System, Tahlequah, Southern Oklahoma Treatment Services, Inc. DbA OK Behavioral Health Services, Ada

Mr. Moini moved to approve permit for temporary operation for the above-referenced programs. Ms. Stomprud seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ms. Holland	Yes	Ms. O'Doherty	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes
Mr. Moini	Yes	Ms. Stomprud	Yes
Dr. Gina	Yes	Dr. Wilsie	Yes

**B. Certification with Special Distinction**

Certification with special distinction was recommended for: Oklahoma Treatment Services, L.L.C., Ponca City

Dr. Gina moved to approve certification with special distinction for the above-referenced program. Dr. Wilsie seconded the motion.

Chair Knoblock congratulated Oklahoma Treatment Center, L.L.C., because certification with Special Distinction is a big deal..

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ms. Holland	Yes	Ms. O'Doherty	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes
Mr. Moini	Yes	Ms. Stomprud	Yes
Dr. Gina	Yes	Dr. Wilsie	Yes

**C. Two-Year Certification**

Two-year certification was recommended for: Oklahoma Treatment Services, L.L.C., McAlester, Oklahoma Treatment Services, L.L.C., Oklahoma City

Ms. O'Doherty moved to approve two-year certification for the above-referenced program. Mr. Moini seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ms. Holland	Yes	Ms. O'Doherty	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes
Mr. Moini	Yes	Ms. Stomprud	Yes
Dr. Gina	Yes	Dr. Wilsie	Yes

**Outpatient Mental Health Treatment Programs**

**A. Permit for Temporary Operation**

Permit for temporary operation was recommended for: Concepts in Counseling, L.L.C., dba Integrated Brain Health, Oklahoma City, Strength Based Concepts, L.L.C., Oklahoma City

Ms. Stomprud moved to approve permit for temporary operation for the above-referenced programs. Ms. O'Doherty seconded the motion.

Chair Knoblock asked Ms. Reid if these new programs completely or are they new organizations.

Ms. Reid stated the certified programs are actually new programs.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ms. Holland	Yes	Ms. O'Doherty	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes
Mr. Moini	Yes	Ms. Stomprud	Yes
Dr. Gina	Yes	Dr. Wilsie	Yes

**B. Certification with Distinction**

Certification with distinction was recommended for: Action Concepts, Inc., Oklahoma City, Lost River Treatment Center, Wyandotte, Monarch, Inc., Muskogee, Warner, MTF Counseling Resources, L.L.C., Coweta, Powers & Powers, Inc., dba Healing Hearts of Southwest Oklahoma, Lawton

Ms. Holland moved to approve certification with distinction for the above-referenced programs. Ms. O'Doherty seconded the motion.

Chair Knoblock recognized MTF Counseling as having 100% compliance on all the standards.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ms. Holland	Yes	Ms. O'Doherty	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes
Mr. Moini	Yes	Ms. Stomprud	Yes
Dr. Gina	Yes	Dr. Wilsie	Yes

**C. Two-Year Certification**

Two-year certification was recommended for: Brighter Dimensions, L.L.C., Broken Arrow, Carla Worley, MS, LPC, P.L.L.C., dba A Healing Path, Stilwell, Center for Children and Families, Inc., Norman, Domestic Violence Intervention Services, Inc., Tulsa, Eclipse Counseling, L.L.C., Oklahoma City, Hope Revealed Behavioral Health Center, Inc., Shawnee, Sassin & Associates, L.L.C., Tulsa

Mr. Moini moved to approve two-year certification for the above-referenced program. Dr. Gina seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ms. Holland	Yes	Ms. O'Doherty	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes
Mr. Moini	Yes	Ms. Stomprud	Yes
Dr. Gina	Yes	Dr. Wilsie	Yes

**D. One-Year-Certification**

One-year certification was recommended for: Community Strong Counseling, L.L.C., Lawton

Ms. Stomprud moved to approve one-year certification for the above-referenced programs. Dr. Wilsie seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ms. Holland	Yes	Ms. O'Doherty	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes
Mr. Moini	Yes	Ms. Stomprud	Yes
Dr. Gina	Yes	Dr. Wilsie	Yes

**Eating Disorder Treatment Programs**

**A. Certification with Distinction**

Certification with distinction was recommended for: Living Hope Eating Disorder Treatment Center, P.L.L.C., Norman [Res]

Dr. Wilsie moved to approve certification with distinction for the above-referenced programs. Ms. Stomprud seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ms. Holland	Yes	Ms. O'Doherty	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes
Mr. Moini	Yes	Ms. Stomprud	Yes
Dr. Gina	Yes	Dr. Wilsie	Yes

**Community-Based Structured Crisis Center Programs**

**A. Certification with Special Distinction**

Certification with special distinction was recommended for: Counseling & Recovery Services of Oklahoma, Inc., Tulsa, Family and Children's Services, Inc., Tulsa

Ms. Stomprud moved to approve certification with special distinction for the above-referenced programs. Ms. O'Doherty seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ms. Holland	Yes	Ms. O'Doherty	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes
Mr. Moini	Yes	Ms. Stomprud	Yes
Dr. Gina	Yes	Dr. Wilsie	Yes

**Community Mental Health Center Programs**

**A. Certification with Special Distinction**

Certification with special distinction was recommended for: Family and Children's Services, Inc., Broken Arrow, Tulsa

Mr. Moini moved to approve certification with special distinction for the above-referenced program. Ms. O'Doherty seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ms. Holland	Yes	Ms. O'Doherty	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes
Mr. Moini	Yes	Ms. Stomprud	Yes
Dr. Gina	Yes	Dr. Wilsie	Yes

**B. Two-Year Certification**

Two-year certification was recommended for: Central Oklahoma Community Mental Health Center, Norman [CCBHC], Northwest Center for Behavioral Health, Woodward, Alva, Enid, Fairview, Guymon, Ft. Supply [CCBHC]

Ms. Stomprud moved to approve two-year certification for the above-referenced programs. Dr. Wilsie seconded the motion.

Commissioner Slatton-Hodges stated that this makes the agency's final 2 CCBHC programs and now are statewide. She stated there are 13. She indicated that Oklahoma is the first state in the nation to have 100% statewide coverage.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ms. Holland	Yes	Ms. O'Doherty	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes
Mr. Moini	Yes	Ms. Stomprud	Yes
Dr. Gina	Yes	Dr. Wilsie	Yes

## **DISCUSSION REGARDING REPORT FROM COMMISSIONER**

Commissioner Slatton Hodges presented her report as follows:

Commissioner Slatton-Hodges met with the OU team working on the development and build of the new OKC Children's Psychiatric Hospital. She stated that Dr. Robyn Cowperthwaite, a graduate of the ODMHSAS residency program, is the child psychiatrist who will be the Medical Director. She stated the discussion regarded many items pending the final ARPA funds approval. She stated this new hospital will have a neurological unit, which is not available for children in Oklahoma currently. In addition to Dr. Cowperthwaite, this meeting included Hollye Hunt, Jon Hayes, Sara Parcell, Randy Dowell, Anne Clouse, and Diana Galatian, OU Health Nursing Program.

Commissioner Slatton-Hodges and Dr. Crosby met with Dr. William Cooper, medical director of Turnkey. Turnkey is a medical provider for most Oklahoma jails. The agency has a great relationship with them. She stated they met to discuss care and treatment in the jails, ensuring both are partnering well around those who have a mental illness and/or an addiction disorder. She stated there is already a partnership in place for medication assisted treatment in jails. She stated that the agency has had this partnership for the last several years. She stated the meeting was to discuss the persons who are on the waiting list to treat to competency in jail and how they can best be served at that point in time. She stated this was a great meeting with them and feels there are good things to come with the continued partnership with Dr. Cooper and Turnkey. This meeting was also with Danny Honeycutt and Dr. Jawaun Lewis.

Commissioner Slatton-Hodges added that she and Dr. Crosby met with Dave Roberts, Chief Executive Officer from David Roberts Consulting, L.L.C. She stated Mr. Roberts is a great agency partner with transportation around the state. She states he is a 15-year, CIP trained police officer with a huge passion and mission for serving persons with mental illness.

Commissioner Slatton-Hodges stated there is a Crisis meeting quarterly. She stated if there are interim issues, meetings occur more frequently. She explained the meeting is for crisis unit and urgent care providers across the state to discuss any current issues. She stated this meeting is led by Ron Sims, Director of Crisis Services. Others who attended this meeting were Randy Tate, Northcare, Verna Foust, Red Rock, Gail Lapidus, FCS, Debbie Moran, CACMHC, Henry Hartsell, GMH, Terri Lee, JTCMHC, Jessica Pfau, Lighthouse, Autumn Nickelson, NCBH.

Commissioner Slatton-Hodges stated that one of her favorite days of the year happened since the last Board meeting. She stated this is the Oklahoma Youth of the Year virtual event through the Boys & Girls Club, which has an important mission. She stated that each year Boys & Girls Club hosts the Youth of the Year event, where youth are nominated from their Clubs to compete for Youth of the



Year. The Commissioner was able to be one of the judges for the event. She stated this is one of those days that really makes you feel much better about the future seeing some of the passionate and talented youth.

Commissioner Slatton-Hodges participated in a television show called The Verdict which is chaired by Mick Cornett and Kent Meyers. She stated it will start airing on June 4<sup>th</sup> on OETA. She stated she had a great conversation on this 30-minute show. She stated she was able to talk about mental health in Oklahoma, 988, all the great things that are happening. Commissioner Slatton-Hodges stated that Mick Cornett was the former Mayor here in Oklahoma City for many years and did a lot of great things in the city.

Commissioner Slatton-Hodges stated there were many state agency meetings to continue working and partnering with other sister agencies across the state to ensure the best outcomes for Oklahomans.

Commissioner Slatton-Hodges stated she had many meetings with Legislators regarding budget, include Senator Roger Thompson, a champion for mental health and addiction treatment and for the agency. She stated the agency is so grateful for Senator Thompson as well as Senator Paul Rosino who chairs the Health and Human Services Committee on the Senate side. She stated she is also his constituent. She stated there were multiple meetings with Senator Rosino regarding different budget items and further explanation. She also met with Representative Wallace, budget chair on the House side, and Marcus McEntire, the Health and Human Services Budget Chair on the House side. She noted that these are four incredibly intelligent and committed gentleman that the agency is fortunate enough to have sharing goals.

Commissioner Slatton-Hodges stated that during this time, yesterday evening, the Governor signed off on the state budget, which included the agency's budget. She stated that next month, the Board will formally approve the budget for FY-23. She stated the legislature funded the investment in specialized Veteran's treatment. She stated they also funded expanding family treatment courts across Oklahoma, which have wonderful outcomes for keeping families united, particularly with substance abuse issues. She stated they funded a large investment in provider rates and the expansion of The Oklahoma Forensics Center and its ongoing operations. She stated that with the investment the legislature made at this point, ODMHSAS will start the process of adding 80 additional beds at the Forensics Center. She stated they funded the agency's maintenance request to remain even in terms of Medicaid growth and FMAP changes. She stated that youth in Oklahoma struggle to find treatment when it comes to higher levels of care, which the agency has approached solutions in several different ways. She stated one of the things the legislature did was invest \$2 million with the department in order to incentivize in-state providers to serve the more challenging youth and to pay those providers for outcomes with those challenging youth. Commissioner Slatton-Hodges stated that this fiscal year, the agency will be able to invest in hopes to

continue to develop the in-state system. She stated that this was not in the agency's initial budget request; Samantha Galloway, Deputy Director of Human Services and DHS and Deb Shropshire, Director of Child Welfare, Senator Rosino, and Senator Thompson were all in favor of moving forward.

Commissioner Slatton-Hodges again stated she could not be more pleased about the continued investment from this legislative body and the approval of that by the Governor.

Commissioner Slatton-Hodges continued that the agency has made sure that all schools across the state have a plan in place and a MOU with their local provider for what will be done when a child is in crisis in the school system and how they will partner with local providers to ensure that those needs are met.

Commissioner Slatton-Hodges shared that this past month was public service recognition month. She stated that at Central Office there was a public service recognition brunch provided for staff. She acknowledged that Jess Lewallen and the HRD division made it a wonderful success.

Commissioner Slatton-Hodges also visited Griffin Memorial Hospital for a Town Hall and also assisted in giving out their awards for public service recognition week.

Commissioner Slatton-Hodges stated she is on the NASHMHPD (National Association of State Mental Health Program Directors). She stated there was a Board meeting to prepare for the annual meeting which will be taking place in July. She stated this includes all 50 Commissioners across the United States. She stated during these meetings there is discussion regarding important issues and the work being done.

Commissioner Slatton-Hodges spoke about the Children's Conference, which was a full day of institutes and two days of conference. She stated that this year they were able to move to a joint virtual and in-person meeting. She stated there was a tremendous number that attended virtually.

Commissioner Slatton-Hodges added that she met with the Edmond City Manager, Scot Rigby and JD Younger, the Edmond Chief of Police, to discuss a finalized plan to move forward to improve mental health issues in Edmond and how ODMHSAS can partner to ensure it is possible.

Mr. Moini asked about the ARPA money.

Commissioner Slatton-Hodges stated yes this has been delayed.

**DISCUSSION REGARDING THE REPORT FROM CORPORATE ACCOUNTABILITY SUBCOMMITTEE**

The Corporate Accountability Subcommittee met Wednesday, May 18, 2022.

**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE INTERNAL AUDITOR'S REPORT**

Misty Capps presented the Internal Audit report and updated the committee on the status of ongoing audits being conducted by the division. (The report has been included in your Board book.)

There were no questions regarding the Internal Auditor's report.

Ms. Capps is present and available to answer any questions regarding her report.

The Corporate Accountability subcommittee recommends that the Board accept the Internal Auditor's report.

Ms. O'Doherty made a motion to approve the Internal Auditor's report. Dr. Gina seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ms. Holland	Yes	Ms. O'Doherty	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes
Mr. Moini	Yes	Ms. Stomprud	Yes
Dr. Gina	Yes	Dr. Wilsie	Yes

**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE ADVOCATE GENERAL'S REPORT**

Ms. O'Doherty continued the report from the Corporate Accountability Subcommittee as follows:

The Department's Advocate General, Joey Mickey, presented the Advocate General's report to the Subcommittee and updated the committee on the work being conducted by his division. (The report has been included in your Board book.)

There were no questions regarding the Advocate General's report.

Mr. Mickey is present and available to answer any questions regarding his report.

The Corporate Accountability subcommittee recommends that the Board accept the Advocate General's report.

Ms. O'Doherty made a motion to approve the Advocate General's report. Ms. Stomprud seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ms. Holland	Yes	Ms. O'Doherty	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes
Mr. Moini	Yes	Ms. Stomprud	Yes
Dr. Gina	Yes	Dr. Wilsie	Yes

**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE INSPECTOR GENERAL'S REPORT**

Ms. O'Doherty continued the report from the Corporate Accountability Subcommittee as follows:

The Department's Inspector General Dewayne Moore presented the Inspector General's report to the Subcommittee. The Inspector General's report was reviewed by the Subcommittee. (The report has been included in your Board book.)

There were a few questions regarding the Inspector General's report that Mr. Moore addressed.

Mr. Moore is present and available to answer any questions regarding his report.

The Corporate Accountability Subcommittee recommends that the Board accept the Inspector General's report.

Ms. O'Doherty made a motion to approve the Inspector General's report. Ms. Stomprud seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ms. Holland	Yes	Ms. O'Doherty	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes
Mr. Moini	Yes	Ms. Stomprud	Yes
Dr. Gina	Yes	Dr. Wilsie	Yes

**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE LEGAL REPORT**

Ms. O'Doherty continued the report from the Corporate Accountability Subcommittee as follows:

Dr. Crosby presented the Legal report. (The report has been included in your Board book.)

There were a few questions regarding the Legal report that Dr. Crosby addressed.

Dr. Crosby is present and available to answer any questions regarding his report.

The Corporate Accountability subcommittee recommends that the Board accept the Legal report.

Ms. O'Doherty made a motion to approve the Legal report. Ms. Stomprud seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ms. Holland	Yes	Ms. O'Doherty	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes
Mr. Moini	Yes	Ms. Stomprud	Yes
Dr. Gina	Yes	Dr. Wilsie	Yes

There was no further business discussed.

**DISCUSSION REGARDING THE REPORT FROM THE PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE**

Dr. Wilsie provided the Performance Improvement (PI) Committee report as follows:

The Performance Improvement Committee met on May 19, 2022, via Zoom.

There was one presentation for the May meeting.

Tony Stelter, Director of Recovery Supports, and Michael Dickerson, Manager of Case Management Certification and Training, presented Transformation Transfer Initiative Project (NASMHPD): Recruiting & Developing OK's BH Workforce – Case Managers & PRSSs.

A summary of their presentation is as follows:

ODMHSAS received a grant through NASMHPD and SAMHSA with the purpose of addressing workforce challenges in the behavioral health care system to ensure effective implementation of 988. This grant project's goal is to recruit through colleges and universities qualified individuals to become certified as Peer Recovery Support Specialists and Case Managers and begin working in agencies and facilities across the state behavioral health system supporting the crisis care continuum.

The presenter's provided an overview of the Peer Recovery Support Specialist and Case Manager certification, role, and its value to the behavioral health system. They then identified the project goals which include: 1) properly staff the behavioral health entities within the crisis continuum, 2) collaborate with colleges and universities to recruit, hire, and certify additional Peer Recovery Support Specialists and Case managers, 3) enhance the current certification training curriculum and delivery, and 4) retain and support those Peer and Case Managers.

They intend to do this through the following tasks: Partnering with a multimedia group to provide an enhanced and more efficient training to meet the need of the trainees; identify and partner with regional colleges and universities; develop recruitment materials; and develop retention strategies.

This project has already had several successes including: partnering with a multimedia group to enhance and improve the effectiveness and efficiency of the current certification trainings and recruitment flyers have been developed; a partnership has been developed with OSU/OKC and agreement to count the Case Management Certification for 3 college credits for qualifying degree programs and the PRSS Certification for 1 college credit for the Addictions Counseling Associate in Science. This will be mutually beneficial and will encourage college students to become certified and get their "foot in the door" to a behavioral health career and increase the behavioral health workforce. This could also help encourage enrollment into OSU/OKC.

Next Steps for the project are to leverage the OSU/OKC partnership once solidified to continue the same process and partnership with colleges across the state of Oklahoma to staff our agencies and facilities to support our crisis continuum of care. The project will continue working to enhance the curriculum, webpages, and develop recruitment and support strategies.

There was no further business discussed.

There is no further action required from the Board.

#### **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE CRITICAL INCIDENT REPORT**

Dr. Crosby stated that the Critical Incident Report was presented at the Performance Improvement Subcommittee meeting. He did not have anything further to add to his report.

The Corporate Accountability subcommittee recommends that the Board accept the Legal report.

Dr. Wilsie moved to approve the Critical Incident Report. Dr. Gina seconded the motion.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

Ms. Holland	Yes	Ms. O'Doherty	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes
Mr. Moini	Yes	Ms. Stomprud	Yes
Dr. Gina	Yes	Dr. Wilsie	Yes

#### **DISCUSSION REGARDING THE REPORT FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Ms. O'Doherty stated that the Finance Committee met on May 18, 2022.

**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT**

Rich Edwards presented the FY-22 finance report for the month ending April 2022. He presented the budget to actual comparison report as follows:

For FY-22 revenue collections are trending below projections by 3.7% or \$20 Million, some under spending in federal grants led to lower than projected revenues. Expenditures are trending under budget by 4% or \$21 million due to a delay in encumbering funds for newly awarded grants. The year-to-date net variance for the agency is a positive 0.3% or \$1.3 M.

The Finance Committee recommended approval of the FY-22 April Financial Reports.

Ms. O'Doherty moved to approve the Financial Report. Ms. Stomprud seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL VOTE**

Ms. Holland	Yes	Ms. O'Doherty	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes
Mr. Moini	Yes	Ms. Stomprud	Yes
Dr. Gina	Yes	Dr. Wilsie	Yes

**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING BUDGET REVISIONS**

Ms. O'Doherty continued the report from the Finance Subcommittee as follows:

**SFY 2022 Budget Revisions**

Mr. Edwards presented revisions #9, 10 and 11 to the FY-22 budget work program. The revisions added additional budget to recognize revenues from newly awarded grants and a transfer from the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority. The revisions also adjusted the federal grant budgets to be in line with spending expectations for the current fiscal year. In total the revisions reduced the FY-22 budget work program by \$14,360,143.

The Finance Committee recommended approval of revisions #9, 10 and 11 to the FY-22 budget work program.

Ms. O'Doherty moved to approve budget revisions #9, #10, #11. Ms. Stomprud seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL VOTE**

Ms. Holland	Yes	Ms. O'Doherty	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes
Mr. Moini	Yes	Ms. Stomprud	Yes

Dr. Gina

Yes

Dr. Wilsie

Yes

## **DISCUSSION OF FINAL FY-21 AUDIT COMMUNICATION**

Ms. O'Doherty continued the report from the Finance Subcommittee as follows:

### **Final FY-21 Audit Communication**

The Finance Committee reviewed the final communication on the FY-21 audit from the State Auditor and Inceptor's Office. The audit found "no significant issues arising from the audit that were discussed, or were the subject of correspondence, with Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services management." The audit did include three non-reportable findings that were discussed with the finance committee as well as processes put into place by the department to avoid any similar findings in future fiscal years.

No action was required to be taken on the final communication from the State Auditor's Office.

## **PRESENTATION**

Commissioner Slatton-Hodges introduced Ms. Suzanne Williams. Suzanne oversees the Recovery Supports-Employment and Housing and works diligently to increase the skill set of agency providers and to increase the opportunities for housing for persons with mental health and addiction.

Below is a summary of Ms. William's presentation.

Ms. Williams discussed that her team focuses on four key areas of support services.

- Homeless supports
- Housing
- Runaway and homeless youth services
- Supported Employment

Ms. Williams stated that her team empower organizations to foster collaborative efforts to provide evidence-based practices to support vulnerable Oklahomans. .

Ms. Williams reviewed the Homeless Services as being services supporting those experiencing homelessness assist them to achieve positive change in their lives and reduce the use of both homeless services, emergency room, and other welfare services. Everyone has a different path out of homelessness, and we are mindful of their personal journey.

In addition, for Homeless Services there are:

## **CONTINUUM OF CARE**

- McClain County Shelter Plus Care
- Norman Permanent Housing



- Balance of State-Shelter Plus Care

40 chronically homeless individuals housed annual. The cost avoidance to the state for these individuals continued cycle of homelessness is estimated at \$1,360,0000

#### **PATH**

- Tulsa
- Tahlequah
- McAlester

245 homeless individuals receiving outreach and engagement

#### **SOAR**

- A national program designed to increase access to the disability income benefit programs administered by Social Security Administration.

Top 10 state for the past three years.

#### **HOMELESS CASE MANAGEMENT**

- Case management services for homeless individuals with mental illness to ensure access to treatment and support services.

1655 unique individuals were connected to services in FY21.

#### **State of Oklahoma Governor's Interagency Council on Homelessness (GICH)**

- **Governor's Interagency Council on Homelessness (GICH)** was established in 2004 to work closely with state and federal agencies, local units of government, and the CoCs to prevent and end homeless. As Chair of the Governor's Interagency Council on Homelessness (GICH) I work closely with State and Federal agencies, tribes and local units of Government and the private sector to meet common goals, provide recommendations to the Governor of Oklahoma related to policies, programs and services for Oklahomans experiencing or at-risk of experiencing homelessness; and, to provide expertise, coordination and support to organizations, systems and policymakers across the state. The current Five Year Strategic plan is data driven and focuses on capacity building, cross-system transitions, and public awareness and engagement.

Ms. Williams then went over Housing as having access to safe, decent, truly affordable housing with needed resources and supports to achieve self-sufficiency is important for those we serve and to us. We have worked tirelessly to develop

and implement housing programs that provide good quality care and enhance the capacity for supported housing across Oklahoma.

- The fact is, recovery from mental illness and substance use disorders, and from experiencing homelessness is possible. People are more likely to be successful when they have a safe home and receive assistance connecting to the support services they want and need.

Ms. Williams discussed Harm Reduction/Housing First:

- Access to permanent housing, health and social services is a basic human right.
- No requirements to be symptom-free or sober to attain housing.
- People define their own recovery.
- People choose their own path to recovery.
- People define their own needs.
- People have the right to expect their choices will be respected, including the choice not to engage or accept services.
- People should be free from trauma and abuse.

Ms. Williams then went over Recovery Residence/Sober Living:

Oxford House: network of addiction sober living homes democratically, peer ran and self-supporting.

- 125 houses with 1151 beds in 15 counties
- Abstinence rate of 95.8%

Oklahoma Alliance for Recovery Residences (OKARR)

- NARR state affiliate with credential responsibility of recovery residences - Level II and Level III
- 87 houses with over 1200 beds in 13 counties

Commissioner Slatton-Hodges added that one of the things the department was able to do in bringing in an affiliate is that if you were a contractor of ours, you can only refer to OKARR certified recovery residence so that is stepping down from higher levels of care, etc. You must refer to a certified. There is also a list of all of the certified entities so that people are able to have confidence in where they are referring.

Ms. Williams then reviewed Housing Programs:

- Safe Haven: a place of temporary shelter for homeless individuals with mental illness with no defined length of stay.
- Permanent Support Housing (PSH): long-term safe, affordable housing with support services offered.

- Supervised Transitional Living: temporary transitional housing for 18-24 months for mental health clients who need stabilization and acquisition of skills with staff available onsite 24/7.
- Supported Transitional Living: temporary transitional housing for 18-24 months for mental health clients who need limited assistance while they gain skills needed to be self-sufficient. Staff are available during the day for guidance.
- Rental Assistance/Discharge Subsidy: provides funds for up to one-year for low-income with mental health and/or SUD discharging from inpatient or DOC to access safe, affordable housing.
- Residential Care Facilities (RCF): 24-hour supportive assistance to include physical activity, daily living skills, and socialization skills.
- Housing connections: for individuals with barriers or more complex housing needs, grand staffing with interdisciplinary teams are coordinated.
  - On average we staff over 200 cases per year and connect vulnerable Oklahomans to housing and support services.
- Intensive Outreach and Navigation (ION): assists individuals discharging from designated ODMHSAS crisis units and inpatient settings. Independent living and connects to ongoing supports.
  - Participants averaged 6 behavioral health crisis stays per year prior to ION.
  - 90% reduction of recidivism in crisis center stays after participating in ION.
  - 58% with criminal justice history.
  - 95% reduction of arrests in ION participants.
  - Average length of stay is 16 months.
  - Less than 20% negative discharge rate
- Recovery Housing Scholarship: individuals with opioid or stimulant use qualify for one-time financial assistance.
  - Since October 2020, \$1,240,000 funds have been released to connect 2,856 individuals and families to safe, affordable, and appropriate housing.
- Recovery Housing Voucher: rental and utility assistance for individuals in rural Oklahoma with addiction history.
  - 120 individuals and families have been connected to safe, affordable, and appropriate housing with recovery housing plans for long-term supports.
- Pay for Success TLP: partnership with a local provider in NE rural Oklahoma to provide supported transitional living through a scattered site model for individuals in criminal justice diversion or re-entry from DOC.
  - 35 participants with 100% being connected to safe, affordable housing.

Ms. Williams reviewed Runaway and Homeless Youth Services:

The number of RHY in Oklahoma is not easy to capture and the systems are challenging to navigate. Our team provides resources, technical assistance and housing navigation to providers working with unhoused youth and transition age youth themselves.

### **RHY Services**

- Housing to Hope Program (HHYP): supported transitional living for dual involved (criminal justice and child welfare) transition age youth.
- PFS STLP for Youth: supervised transitional living for dual involved (criminal Justice and child welfare) transitional age youth. Launches June 2022.
- Rise Above Project (RAP): housing vouchers and connections to support services for victims of human trafficking both labor and sex.
- Youth Housing Subsidy: assists low-income youth ages 15-7 who are discharging from DOJ, OJA, or foster care.
- OKC Basic Center Program: provides overnight shelter, case management, drop-in services to RHY 17 and under.
  - 6 Youth reunited with their families.
- Youth Emergency Shelter: In OKC, safe overnight shelter for youth 22 and under.
  - 145 youth provided emergency shelter for an average of 57 nights.
  - 16 youth reunited with their families.
  - 25 connected to safe, affordable, appropriate housing.
- Host Homes: Youth are matched with volunteers, people they already know, or extended family to shelter out of homelessness in their homes for 6-12 months while they are connected to supports for independent living and long-term stability.
  - In FY21, 5 out of 5 participants secured safe, affordable housing when leaving the host home.
- Youth Homelessness Demonstration Grant: ODMHSAS in collaboration with the City of OKC oversees the Youth Advisory Board (YAB).

Ms. Williams discussed Employment as follows:

Working is Recovery! Supported employment and education are keys to recovery success. Our goal is to give all Oklahoman's that we serve the chance to be self-sufficient to feel secure and have a sense of content and stability.

Ms. Williams reviewed Individual Placement and Support (IPS)

This is the evidence-based model for supported employment and education.

- IPS is offered in 50 counties. This is a 74% increase from June 30, 2021.
- 40% employment rate last quarter.
- \$10.70/hr is the average wage.
- CWIC services offered at four CCBHCs.

## **EMPLOYMENT**

- Advancing State Policy Integration for Recovery and Employment (ASPIRE): Oklahoma was one of seven states to be selected as part of this Initiative through the Office of Disability Employment Policy.
- Building Evidence on Employment Strategies (BEES): Low-income individuals exiting inpatient SUD setting are offered IPS services. (Tulsa)
- NextGen: research project with Westat, Mathematica, and SSA to determine if those exiting jails connected in IPS services have decreased recidivism rates. (Cleveland County)

## **PRESENTATION**

Commissioner Slatton-Hodges introduced Greg Purvis.

Mr. Purvis introduced himself as a Peer Recovery Support Specialist at Hope Community Services as well as a behavioral health wellness coach. He stated that age 20, he tried meth for the first time. As time went on, he began engaging in criminal activities to fund his addiction. As time went on, he quit working. At this point, he considered himself a struggling entrepreneur. There was a Wal-Mart right next to the hotel and he would go there and shoplift things to use to get more drugs. Fast-forwarding, approximately 30 times he was arrested. This time was different from all the other times when he was placed into drug court. In jail is where he turned his life toward God. After praying for a month, he was pulled out of his cell for a drug court screening. He was released on July 27, 2017. The Public Defender came and got him out of jail; together they walked into the courthouse. He had no real intentions of hearing about the program or completing the program like so many participants. In the beginning he just wanted to get out of jail.

For the first year, he cheated the system. He made the decision to let the court know because he no longer wanted to just get by; he wanted recovery at this point. He went to rehab for 7 days because he was experiencing drug-induced psychosis. Even though he left rehab early, he still made the decision that day to stop using. He moved into a sober living house and did very well there for almost 6 months. One day after work, he had a relapse. After that relapse, he struggled. He went to court on his court date after two weeks of getting high and then spent 6 months in DOC custody. While in prison, he made the decision that he was going to become a PRSS when he got out. Unfortunately, this was during the beginning of the pandemic so there were no programs or courses being offered. While in jail, seven guys came in and jumped him; he was pretty sure that his arm was broken.

This is when he went to his Bible and asked God to help. He started a prayer circle where they prayed for one another.

After being released, he started working at a hotel while applying for a job and picking up where he left off from school. He received a call from Hope Community Services to interview for a position as an employment specialist. To this day, he was able to fulfill that position because of the supervisor he had. After working with IPS for 6 months, he graduated drug court in August 2021; his life changed drastically at this point. This is when the real work started. At this point, he had a new position, new car, new office and a new apartment. It is now a complete full circle. He had the opportunity to show not only himself, his family and friends that you can recover; this gave him the opportunity to show the court and treatment plan how much the program affected him in a positive way. So, today Mr. Purvis is a certified Peer Recovery Support Specialist and a behavioral health wellness coach. He recently obtained his associates degree in psychology and is currently taking courses towards his bachelor's. In this month, he plans to take the exams to become a case manager 1. One of his goals is to become a licensed therapist and start a nonprofit organization for individuals being released from prison. He would like to make this process easier in the future. One of his biggest fears is that he would never be able to pursue his career goals because of his background. Everything that has happened is because he never gave up and he never will. Mr. Purvis thanked the Board for allowing him to speak.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

There was no further business discussed.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Moini moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. O'Doherty seconded the motion.

### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

Ms. Holland	Yes	Ms. O'Doherty	Yes
Ms. Knoblock	Yes	Ms. Stacy	Yes
Mr. Moini	Yes	Ms. Stomprud	Yes
Dr. Gina	Yes	Dr. Wilsie	Yes



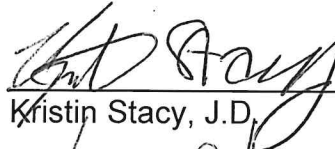
Courtney Latta Knoblock, MPA



Kim Holland, APRN-CNP



Gina Pazzaglia, Ph.D.



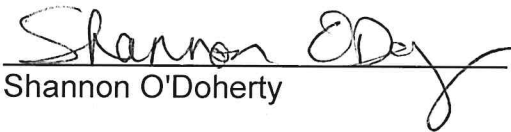
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