

*Minutes of the May 16, 2002 Board Meeting*

*Attendance:*

*Leon E. Ashford, Ph.D.*  
*Chrissie Barfield*  
*Mary Calzaretta*  
*Flint W. Fowler, Ph.D.*  
*Marguerite E. Grandelious*  
*Mary Haberberger*  
*Ruby Jones*  
*William L. Kincaid, M.D.*  
*Derek C. Mays*  
*Lois M. Tegethoff*

*Don Cuvo, Executive Director*

The meeting was chaired by Dr. Kincaid, President.

1. **Community Comments** - Dan Segal, Franco Gurshia, Stanley Caldwell and Jorge Espinoza all participate in the programs of the St. Louis Empowerment Center. They talked about certain personal situations such as mental illness and substance abuse and how the Empowerment Center helps them maintain their recovery. They distributed several Empowerment Center publications.

Johanna Wharton, Director of Community Services, Steven Taylor, a participant in the Work Futures Program and Spignotta Milan, Safe School Supervisor for Provident Counseling talked about the Work Futures Program which prepares adolescents for work. Steven credits Work Futures for helping him stay off the streets, helping him with his home work and getting a job. Ms. Milam reviewed Provident Counseling's role as a subcontractor in the Safe Schools Healthy Students program.

Alicia Conway, Places for People, updated the trustees on the plans to move to their new headquarters, the former Catholic Social Agency building. She said that Governor Holden's wife participated in an anniversary event they recently held. She also thanked MHB for its active role in support of the DMH budget.

2. **Announcements** - Don Cuvo reported that the CMC report, funded in part by MHB, *A Choice that Parents Should Never Face: Relinquishing Custody of their Child to Obtain Mental Health Services* has resulted in the passage of legislation

in Missouri and the introduction of federal legislation. It has been reported in at least 12 newspapers and TV news magazines and Time magazine have shown interest in covering the story. Don said that this is a good example of how MHB can use its funding to stimulate systemic change.

New President William Kincaid asked Flint Fowler to come forward to receive a gift as an expression of thanks for his service as a two term President.

3. **Minutes** - The Minutes of the March meeting was approved as mailed.
4. **Financial Report** - Don reviewed the April 2002, Financial Report. He said that there were no unusual expenditures to highlight. Rather, as a review, he described MHB's sources of tax revenue. He stated that, contrary to initial expectations when MHB was founded, tax revenues have remained stable, even slight increases each year. The trustees approved the April Financial Report.
5. **Approval of FY'03 Budget** - Acting Comptroller John Bagwell reviewed the FY'03 budget and its comparison with the '02 budget. He noted that a cover memo and budget narrative was included which explained changes. The FY'03 budget was approved.
6. **Resolution to Approve Continuation Funds for Service Grants** - Don distributed Conflict of Interest forms for Trustees to complete. After they were returned, Don noted that no trustee indicated a conflict of interest with any agency which will be recommended for continuation funding. Derek Mays, who chaired the Service Grants Continuation Funding Committee, said that a committee met to review staff recommendations. The committee members were Mary Calzaretta, Mary Haberberger, Dr. Kincaid, Lois Tegethoff and himself. Three resolutions were presented. The first resolution, which was approved, provided for continuation funding for fourteen programs which were in full compliance. A second and third resolution approved continuation funding with contingencies for Aid for Victims of Crime and the Empowerment Center.
7. **Strategic Planning Update** - Les Landes, Strategic Planning consultant from Leadership by Design, presented the Preliminary Report to the trustees. He reviewed the eight values, the mission statement and the eight strategic goals. He also gave trustees feedback on his interviews with MHB's stakeholders. The next step is for staff and consultants to develop action steps and milestones. Les and Don invited trustees to read the preliminary plan and to call either of them with any input.
8. **Motion to Close Meeting** - Ruby Jones moved that the trustees go into closed session for the purpose of discussing personnel issues as provided for in Section 610.012(3) of the Revised Statutes of Missouri. The motion was unanimously approved.

