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*** MEETING MINUTES ***

Minutes of the June 21, 2018, Board Meeting

Attendance:

*Marguerite Grandelious
Linda Grayson (by phone)
Darrell Hudson
Carolyn Jackson
David Laslo
Phil Minden
Robert Poirier
Donna Schmitt*

Others Attending:

William Kuehling, Thompson Coburn

Jama Dodson, Executive Director

Call to Order – The Meeting of the Saint Louis Mental Health Board of Trustees was called to order at 5:55 p.m. by Chair Carolyn Jackson.

Community Comments – There were no community members present who wished to address the Trustees.

Approval of the May 2018 Board Minutes – The motion was made by Darrell Hudson and seconded by David Laslo to approve the May 17, 2018 Board Meeting Minutes as distributed. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolution to Approve Code of Ethics Policy

Robert Poirier made a motion, seconded by Marguerite Grandelious, to approve the resolution authorizing the bi-annual Code of Ethics policy. The resolution passed unanimously.

Resolution to Approve the FY19 Agency Budget

Beginning with a year-end comparison of FY18 revenue/expense actual to budget followed by a proposed FY19 budget, a motion was made by Phil Minden and seconded by Donna Schmitt to approve the agency FY19 Budget Resolution presented. After some discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

Staff Report

Jama Dodson presented the Executive Director's report for the period May 18, 2018 – June 21, 2018. A written report was distributed as usual. Among other items, the report included the following highlights:

- Following the May Board meeting, staff have been working closely with agencies to execute their contracts by June 30, in preparation for the start of the new FY19-21 CCSF grant cycle July 1. As part of the contracting process, staff conducted four New CCSF Grantee Orientation sessions between May 31 and June 8. Reporting training is planned for August and September in preparation for first quarter reporting due in October.
- Behavioral Health Network is now implementing the qualitative phase of the Adult Behavioral Health Needs Assessment, slated for completion in August 2018. Trustees received a calendar listing the six listening sessions (participatory sessions) to be conducted between June 18 and July 27, with an invitation to observe. Staff will be in attendance at all as observers. Planned sessions include: two sessions with adult consumers of services/with behavioral health concerns; one session with families of adults with behavioral health concerns; one session with general community members; one session with direct care (frontline) staff of community-based behavioral health providers and hospitals; and a full stakeholder group including all cohorts previously listed, key informants, and additional invitees as needed.
- As part of a proposal in response to a SAMHSA funding opportunity, the Mental Health Board convened partners in law enforcement, Veterans' Affairs, faith communities, and social service providers to develop a Mental Health Awareness Training project. If funded, the project will provide \$125,000 per year for three years to conduct Youth and Adult Mental Health First Aid Training and Crisis Intervention Training for first responders, faith communities, and military families.
- The St. Louis Area Violence Prevention Commission conducted its first canvassing event in Walnut Park on June 9. More than 40 volunteers participated to knock on doors and talk to community members about specific strategies to reduce violent crime in the community. This was the first in a series of canvassing events that will take place this year in neighborhoods experiencing high levels of violence.

Adjournment – There being no further business, Robert Poirier made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Marguerite Grandelious. The motion passed, and the meeting of the Saint Louis Mental Health Board of Trustees adjourned at 6:52 p.m. Since there is no scheduled meeting in July, the next meeting of the Trustees will be held on **August 23, 2018**.