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*** * * MEETING MINUTES * * ***

Minutes of the March 14, 2008, Board Meeting

Attendance:

*Leon E. Ashford, Ph.D.
Mary Calzaretta
Robert Franken
Marguerite E. Grandelious
Ruby Jones
Caroline Korybut
Philip Minden
Jason Spaetti*

Don Cuvo, Executive Director

The meeting was chaired by President Marguerite E. Grandelious.

Community Comments – Rob Thurman, Places for People, distributed the latest issue of the agency's newsletter.

Johanna Wharton, Provident, updated trustees on Transitions, operated by a funding partnership between SLATE and MHB. Transitions provides intensive services for youth who've dropped out of school, leading to a job or return to school. Two young men who completed the program told about their experiences and how Transitions has helped them.

Minutes – The Minutes of the January Meeting were approved as mailed.

Election of Officers – Ruby Jones, Phil Minden and Caroline Korybut, comprising the Nominating Committee, presented a Slate of officers. Nominated to serve a second one year term were Marguerite Grandelious-Chair, Melvin Tann-Vice Chair and Stephen Doss-Secretary-Treasurer. The Slate was elected.

Quarterly Financial Report – Carl Toler, with the accounting firm of Anders, Minkler & Diehl, reviewed the Financial Report for the period ending December 31, 2007. Overall, total expenses are about ½ budget amount at midyear, while revenue is running somewhat ahead.

Strategic Planning – Planner Sheryl Foster reviewed four options for a Mission which represented key points from the Saturday retreat. Trustees were asked to select the one they favored best. Trustees did not favor any of the four. Instead, new versions were generated, from which one was selected. Dr. Foster also reviewed eight Values which were approved, with the addition of a new value describing Accountability. She then was available to answer questions about the results of the online survey of stakeholders. The survey sought responses about MHB's Outcome framework, funding strategies, services for school-age children, public awareness, expanding roles in capacity development, advocacy and similar items.

Resolution to Approve Partnerships for FY '09 – Anticipating the preparation of the FY'09 budget, trustees approved Funding Partnerships in the amount of \$2,193,057 to draw a match of \$2,599,796 for a total investment in services/programs of \$4,792,853.

Review and Approval of Revised Work Plans for Agencies Funded Under Priority Investments for Parenting & Serious Emotional Disturbance/Substance Abuse – With MHB's consent, 10 agencies submitted revised work plans which should improve their abilities to meet targets. Trustees approved the revised work plans.