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

Minutes of the March 17, 2011, Board Meeting

Attendance:

Leon E. Ashford, Ph.D.

Robert Franken

Ruby Jones

Philip Minden

Allison Weaver

Roy Wilson, M.D.

Linda Grayson

Don Cuvo, Executive Director

The meeting was chaired by President Philip Minden.

Community Comments – Claire Wolfe and three participants of ArtWorks reviewed the activities of their organization.

Dan Underwood, Legal Services of Eastern Missouri, discussed success they were having helping SLPS students with special needs and in residential placement secure proper educational services.

Laura Meyer, St. Vincent de Paul Society, explained how the mental health counselor funded by MHB was helping their clients succeed in housing and job placement.

Announcement – Chair Phil Minden asked trustees if they planned to attend the April meeting, which is a day of religious observance, for some people. All responded that they would attend the meeting.

Minutes – The Minutes of the February 2011 Board Meeting were approved as mailed.

Update and Presentation on Public Administrator Liaison Program – City Public

Administrator Gerald Nester reported on the progress of the MHB funded Liaison who works to assess needs of Wards of his office and to find more suitable placements, if warranted. The Liaison is hired on the staff of Places for People. Tony Hilkin, Outreach Coordinator at Places for People and Mr. Nester gave several examples of how Wards have been helped.

Resolution Related to Estimated Tax Rate – Board Counsel Bill Kuehling said that tax rate law now requires taxing authorities to provide tax payers with advance notice of the taxes they would be expected to pay. Since the notice is required to be mailed prior to the final determination of property assessments, the rates are estimated. Trustees approved a Resolution authorizing the executive director to provide the city assessor with the estimated rate once MHB is provided with the information needed to comply. A final tax rate will need to be approved by trustees prior to October.

Election of Officers – Allison Weaver reported that a Nominating Committee composed of Marguerite Grandelious, as chair, Caroline Korybut and herself conferred to recommend board officers for the term beginning April 2011. The committee recommended that the current officers serve an additional one year term. The nominations are as follows: Chair Phil Minden, Vice Chair Steve Doss, and Secretary-Treasurer Nina Murphy. The slate was unanimously approved.

Update and Approval of Funding Partnerships – Don Cuvo said trustees have always placed a high value on leveraging public funds. MHB does this primarily by applying for federal grants and participating in partnerships with other funders. Trustees reviewed a list of 15 current partnerships, involving 20 funding partners for \$1,095,700, securing a 3 to 1 match.