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

Minutes of the September 20, 2012, Board Meeting

Attendance:

*Leon E. Ashford, Ph.D.
Mary Calzaretta
Stephen F. Doss
Marguerite E. Grandelious
Linda Grayson
Caroline Korybut
Philip Minden*

Jama Dodson, Executive Director

The meeting was chaired by President Philip Minden.

**PUBLIC HEARING
On
TAX RATES for MENTAL HEALTH & CHILDREN'S SERVICES FUNDS**

Board Chair, Philip Minden, called the Hearing to Order at 5:45 PM. He asked legal advisor, William Kuehling to outline the purpose of the hearing. Mr. Kuehling explained that every year, the tax rates are recalculated and a public hearing is held to provide the opportunity for City residents to comment before the rates are approved. Philip Minden then asked if anyone present wished to speak about the tax rates. No one stepped forward. As no one wished to speak on the tax rate issue, Chair Philip Minden adjourned the hearing at approximately 5:55 PM.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Community Comments – Rachel Crow, from the St. Louis Crisis Nursery thanked MHB for allowing them to extend their services to more homeless families and to do outreach at the homeless shelters. She told a story of how they discovered a mother with a two-year old sleeping in the street. They were able to take the child into one of their facilities where he could be kept safe and then helped the mother access additional services to stabilize and get her on track to supporting herself and her child.

Kimberly Beck, of the Salvation Army gave a brief overview of some of the exciting developments being undertaken by the Salvation Army housing services. There are 48 transitional and permanent supportive housing units in midtown as well as another 58 permanent supportive housing units in the Grace Hill hub. Also they will soon be opening a veterans' residence, with ribbon cutting on November 8.

Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at approximately 6:10 PM.

Minutes – The Minutes of the August 2012, Board Meeting were approved as mailed.

Another motion was made and seconded to approve the distributed Minutes of the special telephone conference call meeting of **September 12, 2012**, and was approved unanimously.

Resolution to Approve the Tax Rate for the Community Mental Health Fund – William Kuehling presented the Mental Health tax rate calculation for FY13 as prepared by his office, which resulted in a rate of Eight and Seventy Six-Hundredths Cents (\$0.0876) on each One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) assessed valuation on all real, personal and other taxable property within the District. A motion was made and seconded then approved unanimously

Resolution to Approve the Tax Rate for the Community Children's Services Fund – William Kuehling presented the Children's Services Fund tax rate calculation for FY13 as prepared by his office, resulting in a rate of Nineteen Cents (\$0.19) on each One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) assessed valuation on all real, personal and other taxable property within the District. A motion was made, seconded then approved unanimously.

Resolution to Approve FY 14-16 Community Mental Health Fund Outcome Priorities – Project Director, Carter Whitson presented a written report on findings and recommendations for updates to the Mental Health Fund (MHF) outcomes in preparation for the upcoming MHF Call for Co-Investors. Carter answered questions and clarified several points. A motion was made and seconded that the MHF Outcome Priorities be accepted as presented. The motion was approved unanimously.

Resolution to Approve Executive Director’s Participation on the TIF Commission

Representing the City Taxing Districts – Jama Dodson explained that the various City Taxing Districts rotate representation on the TIF Commission. She was recently notified that she was selected to represent the other districts as of September 2012. The motion was made and seconded to authorize Ms. Dodson to participate on the TIF Commission until such time as another representative is selected by the City Taxing Districts. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolution to Approve MHB Participation in Legal Action to Have Disputed Property

Taxes Distributed – William Kuehling explained that when property taxes are in dispute, the entire amount is frozen until a decision is made. However, since typically only a portion of the total taxable amount is in dispute, each year legal action is required to release the undisputed portion to the City Taxing Districts. The motion was made and seconded to authorize participation in legal action to have disputed property taxes distributed. The motion passed unanimously.

Staff Report – Jama Dodson distributed and presented a report on activities and accomplishments of the MHB staff.

Adjournment – There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 6:45 PM.