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\*\*\* MEETING MINUTES \*\*\*

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*Minutes of the April 20, 2017, Board Meeting*

*Attendance:*

*Mary Calzaretta  
Dr. Terrell Carter  
Stephen Doss  
Marguerite Grandelious  
Linda Grayson  
Carolyn Jackson  
Dr. David Laslo  
Dr. Roy Wilson*

*Others Attending:*

*William Kuehling, Thompson Coburn  
Jim Schnurbusch, President, OrgStory*

*Jama Dodson, Executive Director*

**Call to Order** – The Meeting of the Saint Louis Mental Health Board of Trustees was called to order at 5:49 p.m. by Chair Dr. Roy Wilson.

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

**Approval of the March 2017 Board Minutes** – The motion was made by Steve Doss and seconded by Linda Grayson to approve the March 16, 2017 Board Meeting Minutes as distributed. The motion passed unanimously, with Mary Calzaretta abstaining as she was absent from the March 2017 meeting.

**Installation of the 2016-17 Officer Slate**– Dr. Wilson announced the installation of 2017-18 MHB officers elected last month for one-year terms starting today and ending on the date of the April 2018 Board meeting. Officers elected are:

Roy Wilson, Chair  
Carolyn Jackson, Vice-Chair  
Linda Grayson, Secretary/Treasurer

**Resolution to Approve Merger of Children’s Home Society of Missouri (CHSMO) and Family Resource Center (FRC)** – Jama presented an overview of the two organizations and why they had decided to merge. Mary Calzaretta made a motion seconded by David Laslo to approve the April 1, 2017 merger of CHSMO and FRC and ratify all existing and pending contracts of both organizations under the newly combined FamilyForward. The resolution passed unanimously.

**Quarterly Financial Report** – Katie Zitt, MHB Accountant, presented the Quarter 3 revenue/expense report. This compilation report highlighted both the statements of net position and the statements of revenue and expenses with budget comparisons. Among other items, Katie touched on the following:

- Cash and cash equivalents increased by roughly \$3 million from last quarter due to the timing of tax receipts, which are greatest during the first calendar quarter of the year. Tax revenues are cyclical while MHB’s payments to grantees are relatively consistent on a monthly basis
- Investment income during the quarter, net of fees, was roughly \$42,000
- Total year-to-date Community Investment expenditures through March 31, 2017, have reached approximately 68% of what was budgeted; the underspending is primarily related to timing of pass-through funding of Federal sub-awards which are expected to accelerate in the next two quarters of the federal fiscal year ending 9/29/2017.

**Presentation on MHB Marketing/Branding Initiative** – Jim Schnurbusch, OrgStory President, presented the findings relative to MHB brand position and provided logo options for Trustee review and comment. The re-branding and communications plan is on schedule to be finalized at the June Board meeting.

**Prevention Symposium Synopsis** – Jama Dodson presented a briefing of the *Nurturing Healthier Kids Through Prevention Symposium* held March 22<sup>nd</sup>, using selected slides from the presentation of Dr. J. David Hawkins. She noted that four MHB Trustees attended: Roy Wilson, Linda Grayson, David Laslo and Carla Rose. She gave an overview of the symposium agenda, the number in attendance (140) and the evaluation results (94% rated the symposium as excellent or good. The symposium was well received and successful at raising awareness of evidence based prevention options.

**Staff Reports** - Jama Dodson distributed the staff report highlighting activities since the last Board meeting including the following:

- FY18 renewal applications for CCSF and CMHF competitive grants, partnerships and initiatives were received April 14 and are currently being reviewed by staff in preparation for funding recommendations for the upcoming May 18 Board of Trustees meeting.
- Behavioral Health Network of Greater St. Louis is finalizing the work plan for the joint System of Care/Children’s Needs Assessment that will be focused on face-to-face information gathering (i.e., stakeholder focus groups, key informant interviews), and

collection of existing data on child well-being. The needs assessment report will be completed in September 2017, in time to guide the MHB's FY19-21 Children's Services Grant selection process.

- The Care Access for New Americans/ ORR Survivors of Torture project partners are expanding their cultural competency training to include primary health care providers. Through a partnership with St. Louis University, CANA partners will participate in Grand Rounds to discuss the unique features of trauma experienced by survivors of torture and how physicians can improve their early screening and detection practices to understand trauma for this population.
- The Board of the new Senior Service Fund was appointed by Mayor Slay as one of his last official acts. Appointees are: Bill Siedhoff (chair), Cynthia Crim (vice-chair), Ann Bannes, Chauncey (Skip) Batchelor, Theresa Mayberry, Sr. Mary Ann Nestel, and Karl Wilson. MHB's ad hoc committee tasked with developing the agreement with Seniors Count (SC) met April 17 and agreed on next steps to begin negotiations on the needs of Seniors Count and the best way to engage to support them in achieving their goals.

**Adjournment** – There being no further business, Steve Doss made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mary Calzaretta. The motion passed and the meeting of the Saint Louis Mental Health Board of Trustees adjourned at 6:37 p.m. The next meeting of the Trustees will be held on **May 18, 2017**.