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

Minutes of the January 16, 2020, Board Meeting

Trustee	In Attendance	Trustee	In Attendance
Mary Calzaretta	X	Julia López	X
Terrell Carter	X	Phil Minden	X
Marguerite Grandelious		Nina North Murphy	X
Linda Grayson	X	Cassandra Pinkston	X
Darrell Hudson		Robert Poirier	X
Carolyn Jackson	X	Carla Rose	X
David Laslo	X	Donna Schmitt	X
		Yusef Scoggin	X

Others Attending:

William Kuehling, Thompson Coburn
 Jama Dodson, Executive Director
 Wil Pinkney, Director of Children, Youth and Families, City of St. Louis

Call to Order – The Meeting of the Saint Louis MHB Trustees was called to order at 5:45 p.m. by Chair, Carolyn Jackson.

Swearing In of MHB Trustees – All newly appointed and renewing MHB Trustees were sworn in by Dionne Flowers, Register with the City of St. Louis.

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

Approval of November 2019 Board Minutes – The motion was made by Linda Grayson and seconded by Carla Rose to approve the November 21, 2019 Minutes of the last Trustees meeting as distributed. The motion passed unanimously.

Appointment of the Officers Nominating Committee – Carolyn Jackson announced her appointment of the following Trustees to serve on the Officers Nominating Committee: Terrell Carter, David Laslo and Robert Poirier. Each Trustee has accepted the appointment, including the committee’s charge to nominate next year’s slate of officers and other duties consistent with MHB by-laws.

Resolution to Approve FY20 MHB Budget Revision – Jama Dodson presented the revised FY20 budget reflecting the revenue and expenses associated with the new federal System of Care funding--that had not been awarded when the original budget was approved. A motion to approve the FY20 revised MHB Budget was made by David Laslo, seconded by Donna Schmitt, and approved unanimously by the Trustees.

Resolution to Approve Supportive Housing Funding to DOORWAYS – After a motion was made by Mary Calzaretta and seconded by Carla Rose, the Trustees approved the Resolution for Supportive Housing funding to DOORWAYS.

Report by the City’s Director of Children, Youth and Families – Wil Pinkney, Director of Children, Youth and Families, City of St. Louis, provided an overview of the progress toward year one goals and objectives for this newly created position, funded through a partnership between the City of St. Louis, MHB, the St. Louis Community Foundation and Incarnate Word Foundation.

Staff Report – MHB Director of Strategic Initiatives Serena Muhammad, updated the Trustees on the accomplishments of the completed four-year System of Care federal project. Another four-year SOC project has been approved which will build on the first, but with a somewhat narrower focus on juvenile justice involved youth.

Jama Dodson presented the Executive Director’s report for the period November 22, 2019 – January 16, 2020. A written report was distributed as usual. Among other items, the report included the following highlights:

- As of December, the entire staff has now participated in the Crossroads anti-racism training, “Understanding and Analyzing Systemic Racism.” It is anticipated that the awareness created, and knowledge gained will be used to advance greater racial equity and inclusion in our work and in our community.
- Staff met with representatives of the St. Louis County Department of Public Health and St. Louis City Health Department on December 9 to explore a potential partnership for a joint City/County Needs Assessment for children’s behavioral health. More information to follow.
- The City of St. Louis Health Department has secured nearly \$7,000,000 to fund implementation of the Cure Violence program model in the City of St. Louis. Serena Muhammad has been asked to help assemble and serve on a Steering Committee that will support Cure Violence implementation.

- Discussions with the planning consultants, Consilience Group, of Memphis have been fruitful. They will be engaged to support MHB in our next full Strategic Plan which is anticipated to begin in February and kick off at MHB's February Trustee meeting.

Adjournment – There being no further business, Julia Lopez made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Terrell Carter. The motion passed, and the Board of Saint Louis MHB adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

The next meeting of the Trustees will be held on **February 20, 2020**.