



MINUTES

Governing Board of Directors
Tuesday, October 27, 2015

Directors Present: Brad Burnside Barbara Ballard David Johnson
Elizabeth Sheils Steve Glass Jane Fevurly
Sue Hack Reed Dillon Don Grosdidier

Directors Absent: Bob Morse Ken McGovern Jeff Vitter
Cindy Maude

Staff Present: Pat Roach Smith, Chief Operations Officer
Tracy Kihm, Finance Director
Cindy Hart, Development Director
Korrie Snell, SOAR Case Manager Benefits Specialist
Leah Hansen, Executive Assistant (Minutes)

I Jane Fevurly called the meeting to order.

II Public Comment: None.

III Consent Agenda: The Consent Agenda included the September 29, 2015 Minutes, Financials and CEO Report.

BARBARA BALLARD MOVED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA; STEVE GLASS SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

Financials: Tracy provided the September 2015 financial summary, balance sheet, income statement, income statement detail (which breaks down each category and gives additional information) as well as income statement reports for each department. The cash receipt reports for 2014 and 2015 were also included. There were no questions regarding the financials.

CEO Report: No CEO report at this meeting.

IV Review & Comment: *BET (Korrie Snell/SOAR Case Manager Benefits Specialist:* Korrie Snell, SOAR local lead and case manager for the Benefits and Entitlements Team spoke to the board today about the SSI/SSDI Outreach Access & Recovery (SOAR) program at Bert Nash. The SOAR team's job function is to assist clients who are uninsured with accessing disability and insurance benefits. The SOAR team was restructured in the summer of 2014 to the Benefits & Entitlements (BET) team to capture the assistance with clients that receive fee waivers through Bert Nash, clients recently discharged from the hospital and jail, and the intermediary assistance to other providers as they help their own clients navigate the application process. The BET case managers are specially trained to navigate the difficult application process for benefits as well as the agencies that provide these benefits. The case manager is a valuable contact within these agencies as well as on the statewide and national level. Clients

must be approved for disability or deemed presumptively disabled by a state agency to be eligible for Medicaid. SOAR has assisted over 90 clients since 2010, with roughly an 80% approval rate. We currently have nearly 300 expired fee waivers in our tracking system and 26 current fee waivers. Every fee waiver is reviewed to determine the best alternative for assisting the client. The SOAR program began in 2010 as a single student-initiative and currently has 3 full time case managers on the team.

Restoration Center: The town hall meeting on Monday, November 2, 2015 at 6 p.m. will release the results of the jail study that we have participated in. David will report on it and send information to the board as it becomes available.

Consumer Report: This month's consumer report written by Elizabeth Sheil's outlines the Supported Employment Education Development (SEED) program at Bert Nash. A member from the SEED team will follow up at the next Governing Board meeting.

Discussion with KU: David said it is important that we formalize a relationship with KU. We are currently working on a MoU regarding the financial and structural recognition between the two entities. The Student Senate at KU seems very interested in this process. KS is the only state that will allow students to claim residence elsewhere.

V Consider for Action: *2015 Board Granted Holiday:* The Executive Team proposed the suggestion of giving staff an additional holiday this year as a way of saying thanks. The proposed holiday is Thursday, December 31, 2015.

**BARBARA BALLARD MOVED TO APPROVE THE BOARD GRANTED HOLIDAY;
SUE HACK SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.**

**VI THE MEETING WENT INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:30 A.M. THE
REGULAR MEETING RECONVENED AT 8:50 A.M.**

VII Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 8:50 a.m.

The next Governing Board meeting is Tuesday, November 24, 2015