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# HARVEY-MARION COUNTY CDDO: BOARD of DIRECTORS March 21, 2022

### **Meeting Minutes:**

Location: HMCDDO Meeting Room, 500 N. Main, Suite 204, Newton, KS 67114 (Zoom option also available to anyone that requests access).

Directors Participating: In Person: Kristi Berning, Vice-Chair; Craig Simons, Treasurer; Anita

Unruh, Secretary; Marilyn Loganbill; Jared Jost

Present via Zoom: Mary Gill

**Directors Absent:** Randy Dallke; Jen Dies; Don Schroeder

Harvey-Marion County CDDO Staff Present: Kevin Gaeddert, Executive Director; Nancy Plenert,

Meeting Recorder

Call to Order. Vice-Chair Kristi Berning called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Proxies: None.

Quorum Status: Quorum present.

**Public Comment:** None. A web link for public access to this meeting was posted with the Newton Kansan and Marion Record. https://harveymarioncddo.com/meetings

### Minutes of February 28, 2022 Meeting.

<u>ACTION:</u> Anita moved to approve the February 28, 2022 Minutes. The motion was seconded by Marilyn and passed by unanimous vote.

<u>Financials</u>: Packets contain the February 2022 Profit & Loss by Class report, the check register report, and balance sheet. At 08 of 12 months (67%), total income reflects receipt of County Mill funds. We have yet to receive 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter CDDO Administration/Assessment payment.

- Balance Sheet dated 03/11/2022 reflects HMCDDO Total Assets at \$168,631.42
- Current Budget Overages:
  - o 6111: most of our annual technology subscriptions are paid early and these will level out over the remainder of the fiscal year.
  - o 6060: Postage is elevated, and we are hopeful this will level out by the end of the fiscal year.
  - o 6090: Annual payment of audit payment has been made. QuickBooks increased their monthly rate back in 08/2021 which will cause this line item to run slightly over budget this year.
  - 6310: Memberships & Dues have mostly been paid and this will level out over the remainder of the fiscal year.
- Discussed the underspending of Budget item 6505, Disc.-Funded Direct Supports. We
  are currently at 35%. Some of this is due to underutilization of approved services, i.e.
  ResCare's RCI day site was closed for a time during the COVID surge. Kevin has let case



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managers know that funds are available. As our fiscal year comes to a close, we could also consider a one-time payment for program support to Tabor Project Search.

<u>ACTION</u>: Craig moved to accept the financial report as presented. The motion was seconded by Anita and passed by unanimous vote.

**HMCDDO Educational Session: HMCDDO Office Functions.** This item was tabled to a future meeting.

<u>Pilot Meeting of Local Complex Needs Workgroup</u>. Kevin is co-chair of the statewide Complex Needs Task Force. The population of individuals in services with complex needs has exploded in recent years. The statewide workgroup has identified three focus areas:

- 1) Professional Workforce
- 2) Service Capacity
- 3) Communication and Coordination.

Due to recent situations as well as an overall lack of understanding by community partners (Law Enforcement, EMS, Medical and Mental Health providers) Kevin is beginning the process of establishing a local complex needs group/taskforce to review and develop local solutions. For the first meeting, scheduled for tomorrow, 3-22, he has invited representatives of Law Enforcement and EMS and our two largest service providers, ResCare and Heart Land Supports. It is planned for subsequent meetings to include representatives of Prairie View and NMC Health. Kevin explained that in situations where a person is having violent behaviors, law enforcement doesn't feel that they are the appropriate entity to deal with the person. Support staff and housemates are left in a precarious position when there is not a place for the offending person to have a place to distance themselves and de-escalate. Nationwide, mobile crisis units have been set up in various cities. This is an effective solution but requires a lot of funding and participation from numerous players. Since these issues affect the community at large, Craig suggested involving the Mayor as well as City Commissioners in the group/taskforce.

### Service Management Report:

As of 02/22/2022 the Statewide numbers for IDD HCBS:

- Total number eligible for HCBS services: 9,044
- Total number waiting for HCBS services: 4,485

As of 02/28/2022 the total number in the database is: 330

- Total number for TCM: 264; Day Supports: 142; Residential Supports: 114; and Personal Care Services: 63; Total waiting: 129
- Eligibility: Packets requested: 1; Packets returned: 0; Determined Eligible: 0; Determined In-Eligible: 0

Adverse Incident Reports (AIRS) – from previous month



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Law Enforcement - Suspect: 12
 Law Enforcement - Victim: 1
 ER & Medical Hospitalization: 5
 Psychiatric Hospitalization: 0

• Other: 3

### National, KDADS/KDHE/InterHab & Other State & Local Updates:

#### **National**

- Build Back Better legislation updates: Build Back Better is done, however there remains some hope on a separate HCBS package that has been given some support by those legislators that resisted Build Back Better.
- ANCOR is working on a letter regarding Final Rule (effective one year from now) and that current workforce and staffing issues would make implementation difficult and will ask for a two-year delay with a potential phased in process.

### State:

- From InterHab: House and Senate Budgets: Right now, we are in a healthy position and have funding amounts in both chambers' budgets. Senate side: included 58.5M SGF, House side: 27.4M SGF creating a conference committee process where these amounts will be negotiated. Senator Billinger is an IDD advocate and champion who will work on our behalf (and there will be other supportive voices) in this process. The conference committee names will be announced as we get closer to the process.
- Tiny-K: Both the house and senate have 2M in funds and it will not need to go to conference.
- CDDO Admin funds: House side has included 2.5M in funds.
- SPARK Committee Proposals Brief Update: We did receive confirmation from the proposal process that they had received InterHab's 3 proposals. The SPARK committee has a balance of \$731M as of the end of February. The advisory panels (4 total) are going to be trying to hit an end of March deadline in terms of recommendations for the next steps. Hopefully we will have an opportunity to present to the advisory committee regarding our proposals.
- Kevin shared that KDADS recently sent out 75 statewide wait list offers for IDD waiver funding. Our CDDO area received 3 offers. Of those, one person will accept the funding, we're not sure about the 2<sup>nd</sup> person and we believe the 3<sup>rd</sup> person has moved out of state.

#### Local:

- Our office recently reached out to the Newton Police Department/EMS to begin the
  process of establishing a local complex needs group/taskforce to review and develop
  local solutions to complex issues surrounding this population. Our first meeting will
  be 03/22/2022. We hope to gather other important entities for future meetings (ER,
  Prairie View, Health Ministries).
- Marilyn shared that Newton High School started a special needs basketball team this year. A game was scheduled vs. Valley Center's special needs team and was cancelled twice due to snow days. When the day of the game finally arrived, students were given the option to attend the game or be dismissed. Nearly all of the



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students chose to attend the game, and the gym was packed! There were cheerleaders and a pep band, just like at any game. Both teams cheered when someone made a basket. It was a wonderful example of inclusion and acceptance! Thank you, Marilyn, for sharing this!

<u>Action on Service Management and Director's Report</u>. Jared moved to accept the Service Management and Director's Report as presented. The motion was seconded by Mary and passed by unanimous vote.

Adjourn: The meeting v	was declared adjourned at 5:01 p.m.
Minutes recorded by:	Nancy Plenert

Next Meeting: Monday, April 18th, 2022 @ 4 pm 500 N. Main, Suite 204, Newton, KS