



Harvey-Marion County CDDO

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HARVEY-MARION COUNTY CDDO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

March 15, 2021

Meeting Minutes:

Location: Due to COVID-19 restrictions, Meeting was held via ZOOM video conference

Directors Participating: Greg Nickel, Chair; Anita Unruh, Secretary; Marilyn Loganbill; Mary Gill; Randy Dallke; Jared Jost

Directors Absent: Craig Simons, Vice-Chair; Kristi Berning, Treasurer; Jennifer Dies

Harvey-Marion County CDDO staff Present: Kevin Gaeddert, Executive Director; Nancy Plenert, Meeting Recorder

Call to Order. Chair Nickel called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m.

Proxies: Craig Simons was to be proxy for Kristi Berning; Craig was not present at the meeting

Quorum Status: Quorum present.

Additions to Agenda: None.

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 22, 2021 Meeting.

ACTION: Randy moved to approve the February 22, 2021 minutes as revised. The motion was seconded by Marilyn and passed by unanimous vote.

Financial Report: Packets contain the February 2021 Profit & Loss by Class report, the check register report, and balance sheet. At 08 of 12 months (67%), total income reflects receipt of State Aid & County Mill.

- Balance Sheet reflects Total Assets at \$212,398.75 - check register report includes regular expenses for the review period except:
 - 6060: Postage has increased due to the number of packets shipped for functional assessment meetings. This should level out before the end of the budget cycle.
- Overages previously mentioned that remain over:*
- 6010: elevated due to payment of InterHab annual conference fee and this will level out over the next few months.
 - 6020: Annual premium for our general liability insurance and this is the first increase in nearly a decade, and this was not an anticipated rate increase.
 - 6090: elevated due to one-time payment to Lindburg, Vogel, Pierce & Faris Chartered, fee and this will level out before the end of the budget year.
 - 6133: elevated from initial purchase of gift cards from Celebrate Ability and this will level out before the end of the budget year.



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- 6310: elevated due to payment of our annual membership dues and fees, this will level out over the next few months. We just switched to annual Zoom payment which is a cheaper route going forward.

ACTION: Jared moved to accept the financial report as presented. The motion was seconded by Anita and passed by unanimous vote.

Service Management Report

- As of 02/28/2021, the total number in the database is 313
- Total number for TCM: 251; Day Supports: 139; Residential Supports: 110; and Personal Care Services: 60; Total waiting: 117
- *Eligibility:* Packets requested: 2; Packets returned: 5; Determined Eligible: 5; Determined In-Eligible: 0

Adverse Incident Reports (AIRS) – from the time of our last Board meeting (02/22/2021)

- Law Enforcement - Suspect: 3
- Law Enforcement - Victim: 0
- ER & Medical Hospitalization: 4
- Psychiatric Hospitalization: 0
- Other: 1

Kevin plans to provide these reports in a graph format eventually. AIR reports are down for the past month. Generally “Other” AIR reports are due to med errors or elopement.

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

- The Senate passed the American Rescue Plan Act (the COVID relief bill) with a provision for dedicated HCBS funding of \$12.67 Billion, generated from an FMAP increase of 10% from April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022. This is a dramatic increase from the House passed version with a 7.35% FMAP for HCBS. Once passed by the House, President Biden is expected to sign the legislation into law very quickly.

State:

- Notes from InterHab regarding HB 2046 / SB 154:
 - The House Appropriations Committee voted to approve KDADS budget items including a prorated 5% provider rate increase for the current fiscal year, an additional 5% rate increase for next fiscal year and an interim legislative committee to study the IDD waiting list.
 - Then it was determined that the 5% numbers were off between the House and the Senate. The House ended up passing a prorated amount which sets apart the two budgets. There will be a conference committee formed (about 6 conferees) who will discuss the details and differences in the two budgets, and it will include discussion surrounding our rate increase. Some of our legislative champions will be a part of the conference committee. They will be supported by other champions who are adamant about making progress on IDD issues. We are in a good position as we move into the conferencing meetings and we will be working to advocate for the best possible outcome from both the House and the Senate – we are hopeful that we will end up with



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success, but perhaps not the highest possible increases that were presented on both sides (5% in 2020 and 5% in 2021).

- InterHab is planning to do a *virtual Advocacy Day* via Zoom with activities, events, and other opportunities for us to engage with legislators. Save the date for **March 16** from 10-noon.
- Currently, caregivers of persons with IDD remain the qualifying individual to receive a COVID vaccine. Individuals with IDD that do not reside in a congregate setting are still not able to receive the vaccine. There has been considerable advocacy on the part of many agencies and individuals, however this remains unchanged at this time.
- CDDO Budget Negotiations begin in April. Contract negotiations will be held via Zoom. This is a welcome format, as it eliminates trips to Topeka.
- Local:
 - 76 iPads were delivered to all capable persons @ both residential providers. We had anticipated receiving 90 tablets, however the allotment ended up @ 76 tablets. It was suggested that if additional persons served could benefit from an iPad, HMCDDO could purchase some with excess funds.
- I reviewed all of the currently approved types of leave in the HMCDDO Employee Handbook and have decided not to make any changes at this time. Kevin will work on the vacation leave section and report back next month.
- Other: Kevin reported on the meeting he attended with Newton Medical Center Admin. staff prior to the Board meeting. There have been concerns over outcomes for persons served when visiting the ER, with two recent incidents in particular. Although they could not discuss specific details, Kevin was given assurance by NMC that these incidents are under review, and his concerns are being taken seriously.
- OUR NEXT MEETING WILL BE @ TABOR COLLEGE: 04/19/2021 @ 3:30pm in the Flaming Center for the Fine Arts; Room 215. We will hear from the current Project SEARCH interns and then have our regularly scheduled meeting beginning @ 4pm.

ACTION on Service Management and Director's Report. *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 was declared adjourned at 4:56 p.m.

Minutes recorded by: Nancy Plenert