

**FAIRFAX-FALLS CHURCH COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD  
MEETING MINUTES  
MARCH 22, 2023**

The Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board met in regular session at the Sharon Bulova Center for Community Health, 8221 Willow Oaks Corporate Drive, Level 3, Room 3-314, West, Fairfax, VA 22031.

**1. Meeting Called to Order**

Board Chair Garrett McGuire called the meeting to order at 4:58 PM.

**2. Roll Call, Audibility, and Preliminary Motions**

**PRESENT:**     **BOARD MEMBERS:** BOARD CHAIR, GARRETT MCGUIRE; SHEILA COPLAN JONAS; DAN SHERRANGE; SANDRA SLAPPEY-BROWN; ANDREW SCALISE; ROBERT BARTOLOTTA; BETTINA LAWTON; DARIA AKERS; ANNE WHIPPLE; CAPTIAN DAN WILSON; CLAUDIA VOLK; JENNIFER ADELI (GREAT FALLS, VA)

**ABSENT:**     **BOARD MEMBERS:** KAREN ABRAHAM; LARYSA KAUTZ; SRILEKHA PALLE

**Also present:** Deputy Director of Administrative Operations Jean Post, Deputy Director Barbara Wadley- Young, Director of Analytics & Evaluation Linda Mount, Deputy Director of Support Coordination David Simmons, Division Director of Jail and Court Based Services Sarah Gary, Director of Behavioral Health Operations Sebastian Tezna, Healthcare Systems Director Jennifer Aloji, and Board Clerk Sameera Awan.

**Motions**

Board Chair Garrett McGuire motioned to approve Board Member Jennifer Adeli's request to participate from a remote location for personal reasons. The motion was seconded by Board Member Dan Sherrange and approved unanimously. A further motion was offered by Chair McGuire to approve that all persons at the primary central meeting location can adequately hear the voice of Board Member Adeli from her remote location; this motion was seconded by Board Member Daria Akers and approved unanimously.

**3. Matters of the Public**

None were presented.

**4. Amendments to the Meeting Agenda**

The meeting agenda was presented for review, and no amendments were made by the consensus of the Board. The meeting agenda was adopted unanimously.

**5. Approval of the Minutes**

March 22, 2023, CSB Board Meeting Minutes were distributed for review; Following this, Board Chair Garrett McGuire noted the motions to be rephrased as adopted unanimously by the board under Agenda Item No. 5, regarding Approval of Minutes and under Agenda Item No. 11 and No. 12.

**MOTION TO ADOPT MARCH 22, 2023, MEETING MINUTES AS AMENDED WAS MOVED BY BOARD MEMBER BETTINA LAWTON, SECONDED BY BOARD MEMBER DAN SHERRANGE.**

**MOTION TO ADOPT WAS APPROVED BY DAN SHERRANGE, DARIA AKERS, SHEILA COPLAN JONAS, SANDRA SLAPPEY-BROWN, ANDREW SCALISE.**

**6. Staff Presentation**

**Deputy Director of Support Coordination David Simmons** provided the staff presentation regarding Residential Treatment Services. There are seven properties that the CSB Residential Treatment Services lease from; six units are for Aftercare Services, three of which are non-profit and private investment companies. One unit is for Primary Treatment Services, New Generations, also with a non-profit. These are all at or below market rents.

**7. Director's Report**

**A. County, Regional, State and Cross Agency Initiatives**

**Deputy Director Barbara Wadley- Young** shared that the State Budget has yet to pass, and the Governor and Senator are supposed to come back into session in a few weeks. The DMV has requested to eliminate three vacant positions from the CSB to support the county budget management. The County Executive and Board of Supervisors (BOS) support the recent decision not to create any Support Coordination positions in the county. The CSB Executive team is workforce planning and working to reclassify some of the vacant Support Coordinator positions to start the hiring process. There will be a town hall discussion regarding Opioids/Fentanyl hosted by Supervisor Pat Herrity and School Board Member Laura Jane Cohen at Lake Braddock Secondary School on March 28, 2023, from 7:00 - 8:30 PM.

**Division Director of Jail and Court-Based Services Sarah Gary** took a moment to introduce herself as the new Division Director of Diversion & Jail-Based Services. Sarah has a long history of working with the CSB in several programs, and she started with the Jail-Based team in 2017.

**Deputy Director of Administrative Operations Jean Post** announced Elif Ekingen as the new Chief Financial Officer. Elif has a long history of working with several agencies in Fairfax County as a Fiscal leader. The CSB submitted a grant application for detox and residential services, and the grant opportunity provides half a million dollars for region 2 and region 5. The CSB is looking at the Opioid Abatement grant funds, which require a Cooperative Partnership application for our youth and residential program; the application is due May 5, 2023.

**Deputy Director Barbara Wadley- Young** shared that the COVID status moved from medium to low; the organization has 5-10 staff testing positive weekly. There will be a town hall discussion regarding Opioids/Fentanyl hosted by Supervisor Pat Herrity and School Board Member Laura Jane Cohen at Lake Braddock Secondary School on March 28, 2023, from 7:00 - 8:30 PM.

## **B. Electronic Healthcare Record Update**

**Healthcare Systems Director Jennifer Aloï** reported that the CSB had purchased infrastructure for the data warehouse, and we have successfully run the Data Export tool to export all our credible data.

## **8. Matters of the Board**

**Board Member Srilekha Palle** announced Governor Younkin recently appointed her to the Virginia Asian Advisory Board. There will be a Pathways to Wellness Conference on Friday, May 12, 2023, from 9:00-12:00 PM.

**Board Member Dan Sherrange** shared the CSB Board visit to the New Horizons Treatment Center, Mental Health, and Substance Abuse. New Horizons assists individuals with Medicaid and Medicare. They are one of the most significant contracts in Gateway Homes. They provide 16 beds to support individuals in their recovery process so they can live successfully in their chosen community setting.

## **9. Committee Reports**

### **A. Service Delivery Oversight Committee**

Committee Chair Anne Whipple shared their visit to the New Horizons Treatment Center, Mental Health, and Substance Abuse. The residential treatment program focuses on education about substance use and mental health problems, developing coping skills, vocational/educational skill development, illness self-management, medication management, and life skills to enhance the individual's ability to live independently in the community. **The next Service Delivery Oversight Committee meeting is Wednesday, April 12, 2023, at 5:00 PM.**

### **B. Compliance Committee**

Committee Member Dan Sherrange shared that the Virginia Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS) is doing a lot of assessments. The committee and staff discussed how DMAS could assist with coordinating these assessments since they are time-consuming.

### **C. Fiscal Oversight Committee**

Committee Member Andrew Scalise shared some highlights from the Fiscal Oversight Committee. We learned about the massive surplus and high vacancy rates. The county approved increases and bonuses this year. The times and treatment numbers have vastly improved for youths and adults in the last 12 months. The committee voted on and approved the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 Congressionally Directed Spending from HRSA grant application. **The next Fiscal Oversight Committee meeting is Wednesday, April 20, 2023, at 5:00 PM.**

**D. Other Reports**

**Board Chair Garrett McGuire** reminded everyone there would be no CSB Board meeting in April 2023. The Budget Hearing Testimony will occur on Thursday, April 13, 2023, at 3:00 PM.

**10. Action Item:**

**A. 2024 Congressionally Directed Spending from HRSA**

**Director of Behavioral Health Operations Sebastian Tezna** provided updates on the process of receiving Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS) as part of the annual federal appropriations process. He requested the Board's approval for the Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board to apply for and to accept \$6.5M in FY 2024 Congressionally Directed Spending from HRSA.

**MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM NO. 10A WAS MOVED BY BOARD MEMBER ANDREW SCALISE, SECONDED BY BOARD MEMBER BETTINA LAWTON.**

**THE MOTION WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**B. FY 2024 Proposed Fee Schedule**

**Director of Behavioral Health Operations Sebastian Tezna** shared changes in the Fee Schedule based on current Medicare, Medicaid, or negotiated rates for CSB services provided and billed to clients. The fee-related documents provide the CSB with uniform mechanisms to maximize revenues from clients, Medicaid, Medicare, and other health insurance plans. The FY 2023 current budget plan for the CSB includes \$21M in estimated fee revenues. Once the CSB Board approves, the Fee Schedule will be submitted to the Board of Supervisors for review in May 2023.

**MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM NO. 10B WAS MOVED BY BOARD MEMBER ANDREW SCALISE, SECONDED BY BOARD MEMBER DAN SHERRANGE.**

**THE MOTION WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**11. Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Board Member Bettina Lawton and seconded by Board Member Dan Sherrange. The motion was approved unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:25 PM.

May 24, 2023

Date Approved

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*Sameera Awan*

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CSB Board Clerk