
The Forrester Center for Behavioral Health, Inc.
Board of Commissioners Meeting

August 26, 2024

Present: Michael Jackson, Ralph Daniel, Susan Richards, Josh McCauley, Anna Segar's

Staff Present: Joanne Garrett, Mary Wall, Sue O'Brien

Meeting called to order by Michael Jackson. The agenda was approved with a motion by Susan Richards and a second by Michael Jackson. The June 10, 2024 minutes were submitted for approval. Susan Richards made a motion to approve, Ralph Daniel seconded.

Traci Pennell, Trust Consultant with First Citizens Bank, presented to the Board on the Investment Account. Ms. Pennell gave out a Wealth Management Presentation and went over certain aspects with the Board. Investment is doing well so no changes were made.

CEO Update:

The Community Wide/County Collaboration is geared toward having a MAT program in the jail. There are several people associated with the project. Spoke with Cole over concerns with this project and the agency has not yet been asked for their involvement. Sue and Phillip at the hospital are co-chairing an opioid committee for data.

Audrey Colin, Program Supervisor Recovery Services gave a program update to the Board on Greer Outreach. The Greer Outreach is located in the Neighborhood Impact Center. This is a perfect place to be a one stop shop for the presence of recovery. The program runs three full days a week with Ricky Ponder as Team Leader and Christy Hood as full-time counselor. They team is currently providing individual sessions with the hopes of starting group sessions soon. Greer is no longer considered a hot spot. A success story from Greer is a couple were living in a storage building behind someone's house but since receiving help for us now have individual housing and re-establishing a relationship with their daughter. On September 6, 2024 ribbon cutting for Impact Center and September 20, 2024 Recovery Event at Barnet Park.

CEO Update:

Received call from Sara Goldsby (DAODAS) with issues at Cherokee Commission. The Treatment Director saw a client who was suicidal and did not follow the proper procedure and client ended up committing suicide. There are big issues at Cherokee being on a Corrective Action Plan. Agency is helping by sending Shan Jones to help with notes and proper clinical procedures. There is also issued with Union County who is also on a Corrective Action Plan, Union is wanting to pull from the County and become independent but DAODAS will not support this. Sue expects to hear from Union County Supervisor soon. Cherokee and Union may become satellite office under out tenure.

Agency is completing three SCORF applications for funding as follows:

- 1) Duplicate Greer site in either Landrum or Woodruff.
- 2) Hire more Peer Recovery Coaches.
- 3) Funding for Stabilization Center for client with no detox.

HVAC Update: All parties involved in the lawsuit have been served. At the next Board Meeting Julia, Ken and Jeff to present. Couple of ideas for new unit and report of what went wrong.

CFO Update:

Profit & Loss as of 7-31-24 presented. (Attached)
First Citizen Investment report presented (Attached)
No all mini-bottle fund shave been received. Still waiting on 4th quarter.
Mini-bottle to help fund Greer. Pelham agency is self-funding.
\$4.3 million in bank account.
Still waiting on MUSC funds.
GMS up and running.
Expect a profit this year.
DAODAS doing away with FREDD and REBA.
Prevention has extra money.
A motion was made by Ralph Daniel and a second by Michael Jackson to add \$300,00 to the existing CD.

Executive Committee: Complaint from staff member on accommodations was unfounded with now laws or policies being broken. Staff member resigned. Kelly Jolly developed a policy for reasonable accommodations. Have zoom meeting scheduled for Wednesday August 28, 2024 with Consultant to come in and go over policies and HR.

Finance Committee: FY25 County Budget approved on 6-10-24.

QA Committee: Surveys coming in. Schedule meeting after received.

Old Business: Planned merger not happening. Possible revisit in January.

New Business: Staff meeting will be held in September to go over changes with overtime law. Identifying exempt and non- exempt employees. Several different criteria such as salary, professional role and management of the agency to determine employee status of exempt vs. non-exempt. All non-exempt personnel will be required to punch in and out on a timesheet along with not being eligible for the 4-day work week

With no further business, meeting was adjourned with a motion by Anna Segar's and a second by Michael Jackson.


Recording Secretary,
Joanne Garrett