

**MENTAL HEALTH AND RECOVERY SERVICES BOARD
OF SENECA, SANDUSKY AND WYANDOT COUNTIES**

A Special Meeting of the Mental Health and Recovery Services Board of Seneca, Sandusky and Wyandot Counties was held on Thursday, November 16, 2017 in the Nancy A. Cochran Conference Room.

Board Members Present: Pat DelTurco, Dee Frankart, Helen Shinn, Kellee Hoover, Celinda Scherger, Jimmie Young, Pamela McLaurin, Tony Paulus, Karen Van Horn, Dean Bliss, Alexandra Rojas and Rudy Letzring

Board Staff Present: Mircea Handru, Robin Reaves and Nancy Steyer

CALL TO ORDER

Celinda Scherger, Chairperson, called the November 16, 2017 special meeting of the Mental Health and Recovery Services Board of Seneca, Sandusky and Wyandot Counties to order at 4:31 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

NEW BUSINESS

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| MOTION: 1 | A Resolution to authorize the Seneca County Auditor to suspend and stop collection of the current 0.8 mill mental health and recovery levy for Seneca County effective December 31, 2017. The current 0.8 mill levy was voted on and passed on November 6, 2012. | | |
| Motion Made By: | Karen Van Horn | Seconded: | Dee Frankart |

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| MOTION: 2 | A Resolution to authorize the Wyandot County Auditor to suspend and stop collection of the current 0.8 mill mental health and recovery levy for Wyandot County effective December 31, 2017. The current 0.8 mill levy was voted on and passed on November 6, 2012. | | |
| Motion Made By: | Tony Paulus | Seconded: | Rudy Letzring |

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

On behalf of the entire Board staff, the Executive Director thanked all the Board members for their work in helping with the Seneca and Wyandot county levies. In addition, the Executive Director thanked a few other key individuals who helped far and beyond expectation. These individuals included:

SENECA COUNTY: Representative Bill Reineke, Commissioner Mike Kerschner, Seneca County Sheriff Bill Eckelberry, Judge Steve Shuff, Anthony Paradiso, Superintendent Laura Kagy, Superintendent Gary Barber, Matt Coleman, Jim Lahoski, Police Chief Fred Stevens and Dale Depew.

WYANDOT COUNTY: Sheriff Mike Hetzel, Judge Kate Aubry, Mayor Scott Washburn, Jay Gretzinger, Superintendent Lori Vent, Jodi Holman, Anne Denman, Charity Ames, Prosecutor Doug Rowland, and Commissioners Clinger, Seitz, and Metzger.

The Executive Director also thanked Oriana House Inc. for donating \$2,500 towards the campaign budget.

The Executive Director provided a short summary of the Seneca and Wyandot County levies campaign and election. In Seneca County the levy was approved by a total of 62.80%, and in Wyandot County, the levy was approved by a total of 61.92%. The Board approved a \$15,000 campaign budget for each county election. The Board expended \$8,000 out of the Seneca County levy campaign budget and \$6,000 out of the Wyandot County levy campaign budget. A campaign manager was not hired, as the Board conducted all the messaging,

planning, and marketing actions. The campaign consisted of numerous face to face meetings with various groups, speaking engagements, mailing to registered voters, billboards, hand-outs, radio ads, radio talks, newspaper articles, letters to the editors, social media awareness, social media advertisement, yard signs, and some door-to-door in the Village of Sycamore.

The Executive Director discussed the benefit of having ten-year levies, which will allow the Board staff to focus more on implementation of services, monitoring of services, and quality of services instead of campaign-related matters. The Executive Director recommended the same financially-responsible approach in the future. The Executive Director believed the increase Board presence in the community (meetings, media articles, and collaboration) has increased awareness among community residents. The Executive Director mentioned being grateful and humble for the support he received in the two communities regarding the levies.


The Chairperson thanked the Board staff for all of their hard work towards the levy campaigns.

ADJOURNMENT

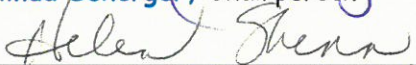
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| MOTION: 3 | To adjourn the November 16, 2017 meeting of the Mental Health and Recovery Services Board of Seneca, Sandusky and Wyandot Counties. | | |
| Motion Made By: | Pat Del Turco | Seconded: | Pamela McLaurin |

The November 16, 2017 special meeting of the Board adjourned at 4:41 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Mental Health and Recover Services Board will be held Thursday, December 7, 2017 at the Mental Health and Recovery Services Board of Seneca, Sandusky and Wyandot Counties Board office.

The Executive Director, in consultation with the Board Chairperson, may call a Board meeting with three business days' notice by telephone if necessary.



Celinda Scherger, Chairperson



Helen Shinn, Secretary