PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY
COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES
AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES BOARD

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Obediah Baker, Jr., Deanna Bayer, Voneka Bennett, Dr. William Carr, Altonia Garrett,
Bradley Marshall, John O’Leary, Timothy Oshiki, Francis Rath, Patrick Sowers

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

STAFF PRESENT:

Lisa Madron, Georgia Bachman, Melinda Bringham-Office of the Executive Director
Division Managers: Mike Goodrich, Administrative Services; Sara Wheeler, Youth Adult
and Family Services; Elise Madison, Emergency Services; Beth Dugan, Quality
Improvement

GUESTS PRESENT:

Pat Victorson-NAMI Prince William; Paul B. Richard, JoAnn Rudy, Roger Rudy,
Debbie Hamilton-Friends of Horticulture Therapy (FOHT), Colleen Oshiki

PRESS PRESENT:

None

OPENING: The Regular Meeting of the Community Services Board was convened on
December 15, 2022, at 6:33 p.m. in the Powell’s Creek Conference Room, James J.
McCoart Government Center, 1 County Complex Court, Prince William, VA.
CITIZEN’S TIME

--Ms. Pat Victorson of NAMI Prince William shared that the turnout for the VOICES event to support the CRC was terrific and there were 485 participants in attendance.

--Ms. Colleen Oshiki shared her recent experience with Community Services, ACCESS, after moving to Prince William County from Washington, D.C. Ms. Oshiki expressed how thankful she was for the fantastic experience she had. She shared that she was apprehensive when she arrived and was expecting to be placed on a long wait list but was amazed that she was able to receive such timely services along with a psychiatrist appointment to get her back on her medications within two weeks.

STAFF TIME

No Comments

PRESENTATION: Friends of Horticulture Therapy (FOHT)

Ms. Madron introduced the members of FOHT in attendance and shared a brief background of the FOHT program.

Mr. Brian Richard shared that they have been working with PWC Parks, Recreation, & Tourism and are looking at revising the master plan for Shenandoah Park to install the gardens as Phase I and the Horticultural Therapy Center during a later phase. They will be working to develop a revised Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that will include the Prince William Board of County Supervisors before FOHT begins any work at the Shenandoah Park site. Mr. Richard shared their full workplan for CY 2023. FOHT is also planning on expanding their Board membership to develop functions such as marketing, grant writing, fundraising/development, and communications. Ms. JoAnn Rudy shared examples of the gardens FOHT will be working to install at Shenandoah Park.
APPROVAL OF MINUTES

RESOLUTION 22-12R1-01

MOTION: Bayer
SECOND: Carr

The Prince William County Community Services Board does hereby approve the minutes of November 17, 2022.

Vote:
Ayes--Baker, Bayer, Carr, Garrett, Marshall, O’Leary, Oshiki, Sowers
Nays--0
Abstained--Rath
Absent During Vote--Bennett
Absent From Meeting--0

Quality Improvement Performance Measures Report

Ms. Dugan shared that per the state performance contract between Prince William Community Services (CS) and the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (DBHDS), PW CS is measured monthly on a variety of performance indicators that DBHDS has identified as being indicative of the quality of our services.

Ms. Dugan shared the following highlights:
- Annual Physical Examination- PW CS 12-month average was 62.9% which is higher than the all CSB 12-month average of 54.6%.
- Initiation of Substance Use Disorder Services- PW CS 12-month average was 73.3% which is slightly lower than the all CSB 12-month average of 74.1%.
- Engagement of Substance Use Disorder Services- PW CS 12-month average was 55.6% which is slightly lower than the all CSB 12-month average of 57.5%.
- Retention of Substance Use Disorder Services- PW CS 12-month average was 38.7% which is higher than the all CSB 12-month average of 33.7%.
- Developmental Disability Face to Face Visits- PW CS 12-month average was 78.8% which is higher than the all CSB 12-month average of 73.4%.
- Developmental Disability In-Home Visits- PW CS 12-month average was 78.8% which is higher than the all CSB 12-month average of 72.8%.
- Developmental Disability Telehealth/Face to Face Visits- PW CS 12-month average was 88.4% which is higher than the all CSB 12-month average of 83.3%.
Ms. Dugan shared that there have been 3 licensing reviews since the last update in September 2022. The reviews were related to ID/DD mortality reviews and resulted in no violations.

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Appoint 2023 By-Laws Committee

Mr. Obediah Baker, Jr. and Mx. Deanna Bayer have been appointed to the By-Laws Committee for 2023.

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Appoint 2023 Policies & Procedures Committee

Mr. Francis Rath and Dr. William Carr have been appointed to the Policies and Procedures Committee for 2023.

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APPROVE REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE REMOTELY THROUGH ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION MEANS

RESOLUTION 22-12R1-02

MOTION: Bayer
SECOND: Garrett

WHEREAS, the Community Services Board adopted a policy pursuant to § 2.2-3708.2 VA CODE ANN to allow for remote participation by Members of the Board; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Board’s policy, Ms. Voneka Bennett notified the Chair that the Member is requesting permission from the Board to electronically participate at the Board’s December 15, 2022, meeting; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Voneka Bennett certified that she is unable to attend the meeting due an identified personal matter that prevents her physical presence; and
WHEREAS, the remote locations from which the above member(s) plan to electronically participate is their personal residence temporary or permanent residence and the remote location(s) will not be open to the public; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Voneka Bennett verified that her participation in any closed session of the meeting shall remain confidential and not be disclosed to any unauthorized persons or entities; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Board’s policy, a request for electronic participation from a remote location shall be approved unless participation violates the Board’s policy or any provision of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Community Services Board hereby approves the request to participate in the meeting through electronic communication means in accordance with the Board’s policy and a quorum of the Board was physically assembled at one primary or central location and arrangements were made for the voice of, Ms. Voneka Bennett to be heard by all persons via Webex at the primary or central meeting location.

Vote:
Ayes-- Baker, Bayer, Carr, Garrett, Marshall, O’Leary, Oshiki, Rath, Sowers
Nays--0
Abstained--0
Absent During Vote--0
Absent From Meeting--Bennett

Appoint 2023 Employee of the Quarter Committee

Mx. Deanna Bayer, Mr. Obediah Baker, Jr., and Mr. Patrick Sowers have been appointed to the Employee of the Quarter committee for 2023.

OPEN ITEMS

None
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S TIME

--Ms. Madron shared that JLARK has released their draft report which detailed their recommendations. The report recommended that the CSB structure remain, and that staffing/recruitment are one of the biggest areas of need and that DMAS should look at the administrative burden on the CSBs.

--Ms. Madron provided a brief overview of the Governor’s “Right Help, Right Now” plan for Virginia’s behavioral health system. The governor's office plans to invest $230 million in the first year of the three-year plan, which will be proposed in Youngkin's budget amendments. The highlights are as follows:
  ○ $20 million to fund 30+ new mobile crisis teams, to meet the statewide goal in the first year, to respond to 9-8-8 hotline calls
  ○ $58 million to increase the number of Crisis Receiving Centers and Crisis Stabilization Units, fully funding the number of necessary centers in Southwest Virginia and Hampton Roads
  ○ $15 million to expand the elementary, middle, and high school-based mental health programs to dozens of new communities
  ○ $9 million to expand tele-behavioral health services in public schools and on college campuses
  ○ $20 million for partnerships with hospitals for alternatives to emergency departments for crisis services
  ○ $9 million for transportation and in-hospital monitoring by law enforcement and other personnel
  ○ $8 million for Serious Mental Illness housing, creating 100 new placements for SMI patients with extraordinary barriers to discharge
  ○ $57 million for 500 additional Medicaid Waiver Priority 1 Waitlist Slots and increased provider rates including respite and companion services
  ○ $15 million in opioid abatement initiatives including a campaign to reduce fentanyl poisoning among our youth

DEPUTY DIRECTOR’S TIME

--Ms. Bachman shared information regarding the new Opioid Abatement Authority (OAA) regional listening session. Ms. Madron and Ms. Fontaine will be attending a workshop on OAA funding and best practices in January. CS is expecting the first disbursements in early March and CS and the County are actively planning how to best utilize the funds.
BOARD MEMBERS’ TIME

DR. WILLIAM CARR: Dr. Carr wished everyone happy holidays and a very happy 2023. Dr. Carr thanked Mr. Richard and FOHT for their presentation this evening.

OBEDIAH BAKER, JR.: Mr. Baker thanked Pat Victorson for attending this evening. Mr. Baker also thanked Ms. Madron for the good news on the CRC and remarked that it appears that it is finally headed in the right direction. Mr. Baker shared that he was a former member of FOHT, and it is good to see that they are making progress with the Shenandoah Park project. Mr. Baker shared that all the presentations are effective and valuable and that the staff always knock’s it out of the park. Mr. Baker thanked the staff for their amazing accomplishments over the past year and wished everyone a very happy holiday.

ALTONIA GARRETT: Ms. Garrett thanked the staff who provided updates this evening and also thanked all CS staff for all progress on the Crisis Receiving Center. Ms. Garrett wished everyone a happy holiday.

BRADLEY MARSHALL: Mr. Marshall shared that the Board does not usually get the chance to hear directly from the consumer and that he appreciated her sharing her intake experience with them. Mr. Marshall thanked FOHT for their presentation this evening and stated that the planned project is a great use of that land. Mr. Marshall thanked staff for the timely updates via email and for the quick response to his request this morning for insight into the Governor’s budget announcement. Mr. Marshall stated that he finds the reports helpful and packed full of great information. Mr. Marshall wished everyone a happy holiday and looks forward to seeing everyone again next year.

DEANNA BAYER: Mx. Bayer expressed her thanks to the staff and shared that the staff never cease to amaze her. Mx. Bayer thanked the guests for sharing this evening. Mx. Bayer wished everyone a happy and safe holiday.

FRANCIS RATH: Mr. Rath shared that he is looking forward to being an active member moving forward, however he will not be in attendance for the January meeting as he will be attending the Opioid Settlement Funding Workshop in Richmond. Mr. Rath wished everyone happy holidays.

JOHN O’LEARY: Mr. O’Leary shared that he is happy that FOHT is still going strong. Mr. O’Leary wished everyone happy holidays. Mr. O’Leary thanked Chairman Sowers for his leadership over the past two years along with the VACSB. Mr. O’Leary remarked that it is evident that Chairman Sowers is clearly dedicated to the cause.

TIMOTHY OSHIKI: Mr. Oshiki thanked Pat Victorson for attending every meeting and reminds him of the wonderful partnerships CS has throughout the community with NAMI, FOHT, and others. Mr. Oshiki shared that while all the reports and numbers presented show progress toward our goals there is always room to be better. Mr. Oshiki expressed his thanks to Mike Goodrich as his simple “good morning, Mr. Oshiki” came at stressful time for him as he was waiting for the doors to Ferlazzo to open so he could get someone through Access. He said that there is much value in a
friendly familiar face during times of stress. Mr. Oshiki asked that his personal gratitude be shared with the Access team for everything they did.

**PATRICK SOWERS:** Chairman Sowers shared that it has been an honor to serve on the CS Board for nearly 7 years and as a Chairman. Chairman Sowers congratulated Ms. Madron, and everyone involved for their efforts in keeping the regional CRC open. Chairman Sowers expressed his ongoing concerns on the impact the casino in Dumfries will have on the community. Chairman Sowers wished everyone a happy holiday season.

**VONEKA BENNETT:** Ms. Bennett thanked Ms. Madron and the staff for the tremendous work that they do, and she expressed her gratitude for the hard work. Ms. Bennett thanked FOHT for their presentation and wished everyone have a happy holiday.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

**RESOLUTION 22-12R1-03**

**MOTION:** Baker  
**SECOND:** Bayer

The Prince William County Community Services Board does hereby agree to adjourn the December 15, 2022, Regular Meeting at 8:35 p.m.

**Vote:**  
Ayes-- Baker, Bennett, Bayer, Garrett, Marshall, O’Leary, Oshiki, Rath, Sowers  
Nays--0  
Abstained--0  
Absent During Vote--Carr  
Absent From Meeting--0

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