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

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:
Voneka Bennett, Dr. William Carr, Bradley Marshall, John O’Leary, Timothy Oshiki, Francis Rath, Patrick Sowers, and Vicky Castro

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:
Deanna Bayer, Altonia Garrett

STAFF PRESENT:
Georgia Bachman, Princess Clark-Wendel, Gina Tamayo - Office of the Executive Director
Division Managers:
Tanya Odell - Youth Services; Jackie Turner – Developmental Disability Services; Dr. Kanchan Clark - Medical Director; Elise Madison – Emergency Services; Katanya Goswell – Community Support Services; Mike Goodrich -Administrative Services; Robyn Fontaine – Finance; Sara Wheeler – Adult and Family Services, Ginny Heuple – Early Intervention – Smita Maskey – Human Resources

GUESTS PRESENT
Pat Victorson, NAMI Prince William
Bernice Meanchop, CRI

PRESS PRESENT:
None

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OPENING: The regular meeting of the Community Services Board was convened on April 18, 2024, at 6:35 p.m. in the Powell’s Creek Conference Room, James J. McCourt Government Center, 1 County Complex Court, Prince William, VA.
APPROVE REQUESTS TO PARTICIPATE REMOTELY THROUGH ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION MEANS

RESOLUTION 24-04R1-01

MOTION: Sowers
SECOND: Marshall

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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, Francis Rath notified the Chair that the Member is requesting permission from the Board to electronically participate at the Board’s April 18, 2024 meeting; and

WHEREAS, Francis Rath certified that he is unable to attend the meeting due to a temporary or permanent disability or other medical condition that prevents his physical presence; and

WHEREAS, Francis Rath certified that he is unable to attend the meeting due an identified personal matter that prevents their physical presence; and

WHEREAS, the remote location from which the above member plans to electronically participate is their temporary or permanent residence and the remote location will not be open to the public; and

WHEREAS, Francis Rath verified that his 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 Francis Rath to be heard by all persons via Webex at the primary or central meeting location.

Vote:
Ayes--Bennett, Carr, Marshall, O’Leary, Oshiki, Sowers, Castro
Nays--
Abstained--Rath
Absent During Vote--
Absent From Meeting--Bayer, Garrett
CITIZEN’S TIME:

Pat Victorson- NAMI Prince William

--Ms. Victorson shared that she just returned from a volleyball game sponsored by a NAMI on Campus club at Forest Park High School and shared that “it was wonderful to see young people doing events to bring awareness about mental health and mental wellness”.

--Ms. Victorson mentioned that NAMI’s annual meeting is scheduled for May 1st at UVA Health Center, 4th floor conference room. A guest speaker will be discussing Mental Health and Cooccurring Substance Abuse issues. Ms. Victorson extended the invitation to the board. To register for this event, go to www.NAMI-pw.org, navigate to the calendar section, select May 1st, and complete the registration form.

--Ms. Victorson mentioned NAMI’s latest initiative, Sharing Hope, which is geared toward faith-based communities. Additionally, NAMI has introduced Compartiendo Esperanza, a program tailored for the Spanish speaking Community. NAMI has also developed programs targeting the South Asian population, Native Americans, and other special populations who may have unique cultural perspectives or may be hesitant to embrace the concept of mental health. NAMI’s objective is to initiate community conversations and Ms. Victorson will be sharing further updates as they arise.

STAFF TIME

Michael Goodrich

--Mr. Goodrich introduced Heidi Cruz, a new staff member on the CS financial team. She has been doing analysis to ensure CS is maximizing Medicaid revenue.

Tanya Odell

--Ms. Odell shared that New Horizons staff were recognized with two Kudos. The first one was for the Wellness and Prevention Team, who have been actively participating in the “So you’re 18” presentations given during Government classes at local high schools. Recently, they received an email from a parent whose child attended one of these presentations and learned the benefits of carrying Naloxone in case of potential Fentanyl exposure. The child informed the parent that Community Services was providing free samples. The parent contacted CS and obtained a sample. The second kudos highlighted that Case Management staff recently received an email from a past client’s mother, informing them that the client will graduate at the end of May, the mother thanked the case manager for helping the client reach this milestone despite their many challenges.
PRESENTATION: ACTS- Stan Jones, Elisa Castillo

--Mr. Jones outlined the core values of ACTS, emphasizing their commitment to fostering hope, providing relief, and promoting self-sufficiency in the Greater Prince William area. He also highlighted their vision of “Creating a community where no one goes without or suffers alone”.

--Additionally, Mr. Jones discussed the four main pillars of service offered by ACTS, which include housing assistance, hunger prevention, sexual assault services, and domestic violence services.

--Mr. Jones shared that ACTS has a food pantry and serves up to a thousand families per month. All the food distributed to these families is sourced from donations. ACTS is one of the few organizations in the county that provides diaper assistance to families.

--Mr. Jones mentioned that ACTS operates a thrift store located off Route 1 which plays a crucial role in their mission by offering vouchers to clients in need of clothing and other essentials.

--Ms. Castillo highlighted that ACTS runs a court advocacy program at the Manassas courthouse to support clients in filling protective orders. Victims can visit as early as 8am and can see the judge on the same day. ACTS Advocates offer crisis intervention, safety planning resources, and assistance in navigating the court system.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

RESOLUTION 24-04R1-02

MOTION: Sowers

SECOND: Carr

The Prince William County Community Services Board does hereby approve the minutes of March 21, 2024.

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

A. RECOMMEND THE PRINCE WILLIAM BOARD OF COUNTY SUPERVISORS ACCEPT, BUDGET, AND APPROPRIATE $2,751,587 ONGOING REVENUE AND $427,218 ONE-TIME REVENUE TO RECONCILE THE COMMUNITY SERVICES COUNTY BUDGET

RESOLUTION 24-04R1-03

MOTION: Bennett
SECOND: Carr

WHEREAS, the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (DBHDS) and other funding sources provide funding to Prince William County Community Services (CS) through the Performance Contract in accordance with Chapter 5 of Title 37.2 of the Code of Virginia (VA. Code §§ 37.2-500 through 512); and

WHEREAS, CS is required to reflect accurate revenue projections; and

WHEREAS, the Prince William Board of County Supervisors must accept, budget, and appropriate additional revenues before the funds may be expended; and

WHEREAS, CS requests increasing one-time Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Community Mental Health Services Federal Block Grant (FBG) revenue by $73,200 to continue support of an existing limited term position providing treatment and recovery supports for young adults with serious mental illness with funds effective through September 30, 2025; and

WHEREAS, CS requests increasing one-time SAMHSA Community Mental Health Services FBG by $5,420 for Behavioral Health Equity funding for LGBTQ+ training as part of the Human Rights Campaign to increase awareness of the rising rate of LGBTQ+ suicides through educational resources for improved therapeutic services and responses with funds effective through September 30, 2024; and

WHEREAS, CS requests increasing one-time SAMHSA Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment funds by $7,800 to continue support of an existing limited term position for prevention services with funds effective through September 30, 2025; and

WHEREAS, CS requests increasing one-time funds by $7,500 for the Cal Ripken, Sr. Foundation for the Badges for Baseball program that serves at-risk youth with a goal to develop positive connections with law enforcement and other governmental agencies through sports related activities; and

WHEREAS, CS requests increasing DBHDS Part C one-time funds by $18,000 for administrative assistance with data entry needed to implement the state's new service monitoring system, Tracking, Reporting, Coordinating for Infants and Toddlers (TRAC-IT); and

WHEREAS, CS requests increasing ongoing DBHDS Suicide Prevention Area Network funds by $10,000 for a revised annual budget of $20,000 for local prevention activities for training, community outreach, and prevention coalition development; and
WHEREAS, CS requests increasing ongoing DBHDS Performance Contract funding by $1,622,886 as included in the FY 2024 Adopted General Assembly (GA) budget for increased compensation for staff that work for Community Services Boards (CSB), effective January 1, 2024; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the GA budget, CS requests to implement a 3% increase to all CS staff salaries and requests an equal 3% increase to the top of the MEDX salary band to allow for this initiative to be implemented effective the first full pay period in calendar year 2024, January 6, 2024; and

WHEREAS, DBHDS provides new ongoing Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) to support individuals with serious mental illness (SMI) and developmental disabilities (DD) establish and sustain housing; and

WHEREAS, the PSH initiative will provide 75 housing units and operational and clinical supports for SMI and DD individuals; and

WHEREAS, the PSH funds will be used to establish seven (7) full-time permanent positions including one (1) Clinical Services Case Management Manager (C52), two (2) Clinical Services Caseworkers (C43), one (1) Clinical Services Caseworker Associate/Peer (C42), and one (1) Principal Fiscal Analyst (C43), and two (2) Senior Business Services Analyst (C42); and

WHEREAS, the FY 2024 PSH award will include $1,118,701 ongoing and $333,298 one-time startup for a total of $1,451,999 with a portion of the funding utilizing leftover state ARPA dollars and then transitioning to ongoing state dollars in FY 2025; and

WHEREAS, in FY 2024 the PSH funding will be $678,410 state and $773,589 American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) for a total of $1,451,999 with the ARPA funds effective through September 30, 2025; and

WHEREAS, funds are restricted for use in accordance with the DBHDS Performance Contract agreement including services and supports for behavioral health, mental health, intellectual disability, developmental disability, and substance abuse; and

WHEREAS, there is no general fund local tax support required to budget and appropriate these funds;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Prince William County Community Services Board recommends that the Prince William Board of County Supervisors hereby accepts, budgets, and appropriates $2,751,587 in ongoing revenue and $445,218 in one-time revenue to reconcile the Community Services County budget;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Prince William County Community Services Board recommends that the Prince William Board of County Supervisors hereby authorizes a 3% increase to the top of the MEDX pay band to implement the General Assembly compensation increase;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Prince William County Community Services Board recommends that the Prince William Board of County Supervisors hereby authorizes establishing seven (7) full-time permanent positions including one (1) Clinical Services Case Management Manager (C52), two (2) Clinical Services Caseworkers (C43), one (1) Clinical Services
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Prince William County Community Services Board recommends that the Prince William Board of County Supervisors hereby authorizes all unexpended amounts be carried forward year to year.

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

DISCUSSION ITEMS:
DBHDS Performance Contract Reporting Requirements – Michael Goodrich
--Mr. Goodrich shared the Prince William Community Services Dashboard Measures data through Quarter 2 FY24.
--Mr. Goodrich reported on a corrective action plan for a Part 5 violation.

Addition to Policy and Procedure Manual – Michael Goodrich
Mr. Goodrich provided an update on the addition to the Policy and Procedure Manual to provide Medicated Assisted Treatment for youth.

OPEN ITEMS:
None

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S TIME:
--Ms. Bachman shared that Community Services recently held a meeting with various county stakeholders to discuss the planning process for the Opioid Abetment Authority Settlement. During this meeting, Community Services outlined their process for receiving and reviewing proposals related to OAA. They are currently in the process of developing a system to evaluate these proposals. Since that meeting, Prince William County received notification that five additional pharmaceutical companies have reached settlements, which will increase the total funding available. As a result, more projects will now be funded.
Ms. Bachman mentioned that Community Services had applied for a Region II Cooperative Partnership grant, which was led by Fairfax and involved all the CSBs in region II. The grant was specifically for an adolescent detox and crisis receiving center. They had put out an RFP and did not get any awards, but they have reapplied for a renewal grant.

Lastly, Ms. Bachman shared that Governor Younkin announced two weeks ago that six grantees were awarded funding for their projects, and that Community Services was one of them. Thanks to this additional grant from the state, Community Services was able to fully fund their youth components. This will allow them to open 16 recliners and 16 stabilization beds.

DEPUTY DIRECTOR’S TIME:
Not present

BOARD MEMBERS’ TIME:

FRANCIS RATH:
Mr. Rath expressed his gratitude to everyone for allowing him to participate virtually in today’s meeting. He mentioned his intention to connect ACTS with the mayor and city manager in the future.

BRADLEY MARSHALL:
Mr. Marshall extended his thanks to ACTS for their presentation during the meeting. He acknowledged the valuable metrics shared and reiterated his appreciation for the hard work and dedication of the staff in serving the citizens of Prince William County.

VICKY CASTRO
Ms. Castro expressed her gratitude to Supervisor Boddye for appointing her to the Community Services Board. She also shared a touching personal story about her son’s fundraising efforts where he raised $1800 and donated them to ACTS for a new floor.

WILLIAM CARR
Mr. Carr welcomed Ms. Castro to the board and expressed his thanks to ACTS for their presentation.

PATRICK SOWERS:
Mr. Sowers expressed his gratitude to ACTS for expanding his knowledge and thanked Pat Victorson for her consistent presence at the board meetings.

VONEKA BENNETT:
Ms. Bennett thanked Pat Victorson for her ongoing service to the community and appreciated ACTS for their presentation. She also expressed gratitude to Robyn for her financial expertise,
Michael for providing information on performance measures and new policies, and Georgia for the update on the opioid settlement funds and securing a state grant for the youth CRC.

JOHN O’LEARY:
Mr. O’Leary welcomed Vicky Castro to the board and thanked ACTS for their presentation.

TIMOTHY OSHIKI:
Mr. Oshiki shared sad news; Cynthia Dudley with Trillium passed away last month. Mr. Oshiki thanked ACTS for their presentation and thanked Pat for sharing information about NAMI on Campus.

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION 24-03R1-04
MOTION: Carr
SECOND: Bayer

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

Adjourn time: 7:55 p.m.

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