

J. Cook – aye; C. Gentry – aye; J. Newby – aye

J. Newby moved, and C. Gentry seconded that the Executive Committee adjourn Executive Session and go back into normal session.

J. Newby moved, and C. Gentry seconded that the Executive Committee recommend that the Montgomery County Alcohol Drug Addiction Mental Health Services approve the Executive Director's Self-Assessment for Annual Performance Appraisal for 2017 as distributed to all board members. Motion carried unanimously.

State Issue 1 – Montgomery County ADAMHS Statement

Director Jones-Kelley shared that the Ohio Association of County Behavioral Health Authorities (OACBHA) and Executive Directors have crafted a statement on State Issue 1.

Montgomery County ADAMHS Statement Issue 1

Montgomery County ADAMHS firmly believes that non-violent individuals with a substance use disorder are better served through treatment instead of incarceration. This is particularly true for marginalized populations, who are overrepresented in Ohio's prisons and often go unserved. We oppose this constitutional amendment because it does not address the problem as intended, nor does it allow for timely, critical updates when needed. We implore the Ohio General Assembly to immediately bring together a bi-partisan coalition of concerned Ohioans to take action to address these issues through a legislative solution.

C. Gentry moved, and J. Newby seconded that the Executive Committee recommend that the Montgomery County Alcohol Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services adopt the Statement regarding State Issue 1: Motion carried unanimously.

BWC Grant

On October 15, 2018, state officials and local business leaders met in Dayton, Ohio, to celebrate the launch of the Bureau of Workers' Compensation's Opioid Workplace Safety Pilot Program, which aims to mitigate the opioid crisis in some of the hardest hit counties in Ohio.

The program will provide up to \$5 million to employers in Montgomery, Ross and Scioto County to help employers hire, maintain and retain individuals in recovery. The goal is to help employers fill positions while supporting recovering individuals' efforts to find work, and help businesses become more productive and workers in recovery stay on a healthy path and become productive citizens again.

The program provides:

1. Reimbursement for pre-employment, random and reasonable suspicion drug testing.
2. Training for management and supervisory staff to help better manage a workforce that includes individuals in recovery.
3. A forum/venue for “second-chance” employers to share success stories, encouraging others to hire workers in recovery.

Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services Board of Montgomery County will be working with the BWC to administer the program. The BWC has already released enrollment and reimbursement forms for employers to submit via email.

The program has been expanded to include alcohol and other drugs and not just opioids.

ADJOURN

With no further business the meeting was adjourned.

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