

# **Advantage**

**Behavioral Health Systems**

## **MENTAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, AND ADDICTIVE DISEASES SERVICE BOARD MEETING #160**

**June 30, 2009**

### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Mary Jo Matthews – Madison  
Ralph Danson - Greene  
Dr. John Davis – Athens-Clarke  
Pat Ellis – Jackson

Melanie Russell - Athens-Clarke  
Carter Smisson – Jackson  
Mary Gannon Gunn – Athens-Clarke  
Linda Vinson – Walton

### **BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

R. Charles White – Walton  
Emma Evans – Barrow  
Katie McDaniel – Oconee  
Shirley Segars – Barrow

Donald Hector – Walton  
Mae Davis – Elbert  
Judy Spurgeon – Oglethorpe  
Dr. Paul Roman – Morgan

### **ADVANTAGE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SYSTEMS STAFF PRESENT**

Terry Frazier  
Fred Eckhardt  
Cindy Darden  
Brenda Smith

Laurie Wilburn-Bailey  
Linda Hazinski  
Larry Gabriel  
Janice Callaway

**The meeting was opened by Ralph Danson, Community Service Board (CSB) Chairman.**

### **1.0 ACTIONS**

- 1.1 Motion to accept the agenda. Moved (Pat Ellis); Seconded (John H. Davis); Passed (Unanimously).
- 1.2 Motion to accept the minutes of the May 26, 2009 CSB Meeting. Moved (Mary Gannon Gunn); Seconded (John H. Davis); Passed (Unanimously).
- 1.3 Motion to adjourn the meeting.

## **2.0 NEW BUSINESS**

### **2.1 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS** (Received in Board packages for review.)

**2.1.1** Janice Callaway, Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) reported on the 2008 Strategic Plan. The goals for the plan are fiscal viability, access, programming, customer service and quality assurance.

## **3.0 OLD BUSINESS**

**3.1** Dr. Darden reported on the Advantage Annual Awards and Mental Health America Dinner and Meeting. Representative Mickey Channell is the speaker for the event and will be presented a Community Service Award. Representative Channell chaired the subcommittee for HB228. Mary Jo Matthews, CSB Awards Committee will present the Distinguished Service Award to Teresa Dye, RN, Elbert County Clinic. Mental Health America will acknowledge Joe Johnson, Athens Banner Herald as the Outstanding Service to the Community Award. Mr. Johnson interviewed clients and staff of ABHS Assertive Community Treatment Team (ACT) and published articles regarding the program.

## **4.0 BOARD REPORTS**

**4.1** Finance Committee – Mr. Gabriel presented the financial report. He addressed the revenues and expenditures compared to the budget period ending May 31, 2009. He feels that ABHS will end the year in a surplus.

**4.2** Membership & Nominations Committee – no report requiring an action.

**4.3** Legislative Committee – no report requiring an action.

**4.4** Bylaws and Policy Committee – no report requiring an action.

**4.5** Rights of Persons Served Committee – no report requiring an action.

**4.6** Awards Committee – Dr. Darden noted that only one nomination was received for the Distinguished Service Award. The Management Team reviewed the nomination and agreed that Teresa Dye was a viable candidate for the award. Dr. Darden apologized to the committee for not providing them the nomination form for review and requested the committee's approval for the selection. The committee supports the selection of Ms. Dye.

**4.6** Ad Hoc Public Relations Committee – no report requiring an action.

**4.7** Ad Hoc Friends of Advantage Committee – no report requiring an action.

4.8 Board Committee Updates & Board Self Assessment – Dr. Davis reported on the Board Self Assessment. Board members completed the questionnaire and submitted for review. Dr. Davis briefly addressed outcomes, strengths and weakness noted in the results. He will provide the Board the data in written format for review.

**5.0 REPORTS FROM THE CSB DIRECTOR**

5.1 Dr. Darden reported that Rick Valentine, Financial Office, Department of Human Resources (DHR) informed that the FY2010 contract will not be available. The current contract has been extended through July 2009; the document has been endorsed and forwarded to DHR. The FY2010 contract includes a 5% reduction and will be in effect for six (6) months. The reason being is to review the CSBs services being rendered and reallocation of funds.

**6.0 REPORTS FROM THE CSB CHAIRPERSON**

6.1 Mr. Danson clarified that today is ABHS Annual Awards Meeting. The CSB Annual Meeting will be held November 24, 2009 in which Board officers will be elected. This information is referenced in the CSB bylaws.

6.2 Mr. Danson reported that the Annual CSB Educational Exchange will be held October 18-21, 2009 at Lake Lanier.

**7.0 PUBLIC ACCESS**

7.1 No one present to address the Board.

**8.0 ADJOURNMENT**

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APPROVED BY: PAT ELLIS  
SECRETARY

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SUBMITTED BY: BRENDA SMITH

APPROVED BY: RALPH DANSON  
CHAIR PERSON