**OPRA Board Meeting Agenda**

**October 25th, 2023**

**10am – 12pm**

* Welcome and Safe Place Statement
  + Adam Guinther called the meeting to order at 10:03 AM
* Approval of July and August minutes
  + Scott DeLong motion to accept the minutes; Dennis Grant seconded the motion. Motion carries.
* Finance Committee Report
  + Approval of financial report
  + Liz Owens gave the Finance Report overviewing the financial statements sent to the board last week. The Finance Committee is suggesting no rebate for next year and restructuring the dues tiers for next year as a result of the state budget increase. The funds retained by OPRA from the rebate will be used for strategic plan implementation (additional consultant support and project implementation).
  + Board members asked question about the proposal.
  + Tammy Honkala joined the Finance Committee
  + There will be a virtual board meeting on 12/21/23 at 10am to discuss the 2024 budget.
  + Michelle Madden motioned to accept the financial report, Roy Cherry seconded. Motion carries.
* Governance Committee
  + Bob Gaston gave the Governance Committee report. Many ballots have been mailed to the office and we will be
  + We will be engaging with the Board Doctor to conduct a board survey by the end of the year.
* Board Report
  + Waiver Redesign update (see report presented by Chris Whistler)
    - What is our role with CBs and SSA’s
    - Pete and Scott gave an update on the work Chris has put together for his consulting contract. See report submitted to the board via email
    - Chris included analysis from a DDP data, policy committee survey responses, and other information from DODD
    - The OPRA team is using the analysis to help make recommendations under DODD’s continued waiver redesign
    - Rachel discussed the proposed health care coordination service discussed at the policy committee. The proposal was developed by the budget coalition.
  + DODD and Compliance update
    - Pete reviewed some recent reports of compliance activities. Board members provided feedback and examples of recent provider compliance reviews.
  + The future of Day/Voc/Employment services update
    - Scott gave an update on the conversations with DODD on prevocational services (formerly the BEST service). DODD is looking at bringing on a new service that would allow providers to bill a higher rate for transporting people to employment.
    - There remains differences in interpretations on pre-voc service requirements (wage limits, time limits).
    - OPRA’s hope is that some of the interpretations would become more flexible, however this has not happened as of yet.
  + Budget Priorities for 2025 (Legislative Action to help with system reform?)
* Strategic Planning
  + Retreat feedback
    - Feedback on the retreat was overwhelmingly positive- thank you to everyone who attended!
    - The OPRA team wants to start looking at bringing on expertise in serving youth, the aging population within out field, and helping providers serve the mental and physical health needs of the people members serve. Additionally looking at the future of our services within a managed care environment.
  + Ohio’s HHS infrastructure
  + The future of services (is OPRA meeting the need of providers/opportunity to expand)
    - Future Advisory Group
    - The January board meeting will include information on the projects and ideas to implement the strategic plan
* CEO Report
  + Great Provider Series (GPS)
    - Pete gave an update on the GPS development
  + 2024 Spring Conference
    - The 2024 conference will be held in Toledo. The board report includes a loose outline of the conference timeline with session ideas and notes from the OPRA team.
  + OPRA’s 50th Anniversary
    - The OPRA team is working on planning events for the 50th anniversary
* Open Discussion
* Next meeting
* Adjourn
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  + Michelle Madden motioned to adjourn the meeting at 11:33am. Meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Madden, Secretary

**Present Board Members**

**District 1 –** Jamie Steele

**District 2 –** Dennis Grant, Ashley Brocious

**District 3 –** Lisa Reed and Mary Thompson-Hufford

**District 4 –** RoyCherry and Tim Menke

**District 5 –** Jeff Johnson, Michelle Madden- Secretary and Phil Miller

**District 6 –** Adam Guinther- Chair, Liz Owens- Treasurer, Bob Heinzerling

**District 7 –**Tammy Honkala

**At-Large –**Scott DeLong- Vice Chair, Bob Gaston, and Kurt Miller

**OPRA Staff Attendance:** Pete Moore, President and CEO; Scott Marks, Vice President; Christine Touvelle, Director of Advocacy; Rachel Hayes, Director of Residential Resources;