

Board Meeting Minutes

2/28/24

- Welcome/safe-place - Adam Guinther welcomed everyone and read the safe place statement.
- Meeting Minutes approval-Adam Guinther asked the Board members to review the meeting minutes. There were no changes to the minutes. Scott DeLong made a motion to approve the minutes, Ashley Brocious seconded the motion, and the Board unanimously approved.
- Finance report - Liz Owens summarized the financial statements. There was a brief discussion about using the OPRA foundation to develop and deliver training materials for members and non-members. Pete stated the OPRA Team will put together a proposal that will be presented at the May Board meeting.
 - Governance -Bob Gaston introduced Cathy Allen, the Board Doctor, to speak to the Board about the self-assessment the Board completed earlier in the year. Cathy provided a full report as well as a written report. Please refer to the report for a full summary. The Governance committee will be meeting in late March to talk their plan for the rest of the year.
- Board Report (Pete Moore)
 - Reform
 - Teresa Kobelt shared a document that outlines our recommendations to DODD about the current compliance practices. The document compares what CMS requires vs. the practices that DODD uses. The document will be sent to Director Hauck following the OPRA Board meeting.
 - Teresa Kobelt updated the board regarding current waiver modernization work being done by DODD. They are currently working with County Boards to explore a stop loss process, they are looking to other states' rate models and assessments and cost predictor assessments to enhance or replace Ohio's DDP and AAI tools.
 - Christine Touvelle and other members of the OPRA team explained the following Bills currently in the Ohio House of Representatives.
 - Local Tax
 - Never Alone Act
 - 14C
 - Christine presented a summary of the work that is being done to collect data on behalf of the budget coalition. Many providers responded and Christine is sorting through and summarizing the data. The Board will receive another update when the analysis is complete.

- **CEO Report**
 - Pete Moore and Melissa Fannon provided an update about the upcoming OPRA Spring Conference to be held in Toledo in early May.
 - Christine Touvelle outlined a plan to conduct US Congressional Legislative Visits later in the year.
 - Christine Touvelle updated the board on the upcoming Advocacy Army training to be held in the summer of 2024.
- **Adjourn 12:45**

Present Board Members

District 1 – Jamie Steele and Jim Steffey

District 2 – Dennis Grant, Ashley Brocious and Scott DeLong- Vice Chair,

District 3 – Edgar Barnett, Lisa Reed and Mary Thompson-Hufford

District 4 –Tim Menke

District 5 – Jeff Johnson, Michelle Madden- Secretary, and Steve Colecchi

District 6 – Adam Guinther- Chair and Liz Owens- Treasurer

District 7 –Tammy Honkala and Connie Boros

At-Large –Bob Gaston, Kurt Miller and Tim Neville

OPRA Staff Present

- Pete Moore
- Scott Marks
- Teresa Kobelt
- Rachel Hayes
- Melissa Fannon