**Call to Order**

Tom Weaver President, called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. Present at the meeting were: Treasurer, Roy Cherry; Secretary, Bob Heinzerling; Marti Adams; Anna Barrett; Diane Beastrom; Jerri Elson; Roger Fortener; Adam Guinther; Melanie Kasten-Krause; Michael Malone; Donna Merrill; Trish Otter; Matt Ottiger; Lisa Reed; John Swanson; Brad Vincent. Also present were OPRA Staff: Mark Davis, President; Anita Allen, Vice President; Lisa Mathis, Director of Employment and Health Services; Cheryl Jacobs, Director, Communications and Christine Touvelle, Policy Analyst.

1. **Minutes**

Deferred.

1. **Consent Agenda**

Motion made by Roy and seconded by Trish to accept the consent agenda without Sections A.1, A.3, E, and N, motion carried. Jamie withdrew discussion on A.1 (Licensure and County Board Accreditation/National Accreditation). Mark provided an update on A.3 (Threshold for Exempt Status) and E (DSP Pilot Project [Community Connections Career Partnerships-Ohio]). Lisa Mathis provided clarification on N (Employment First/Day Services).

1. **Finance Committee**

Finance Committee report presented by Roy, including OPRA August 2016 financials and that OPRA is moving investment management to Chase. Motion by Michael to accept the Finance Committee report, seconded by Anna, motion carried.

1. **Workforce Sustainability**

Anita reported the OPRA Direct Care Workforce Workgroup has not met lately, as attention has been given to the Bridges Out of Poverty/Healthier Buckeyes grant work. Good progress is being made and Anita is seeing more provider and county board collaboration around this issue, along with other community resources.

Anita reported that the Ohio Developmental Disabilities Council has expressed an interest in helping with DSP workforce issues.

1. **Efficiencies and Simplification**
   1. Anita reported on the ICF reimbursement system reform. DODD is pushing to get this reform in the state budget. Michael moved and Diane seconded, that OPRA advocate that the work on the ICF reimbursement system reform is not ready yet, needs more work and more data, motion carried.
   2. OPRA may host an Exit Waiver Conversation event with OPRA members and APSI leadership. Anita will consider inviting other stakeholders too.
2. **Quality, Accountable and Sustainable System Reform**

Christine solicited feedback from the board on a CMS request for quality measures in the Medicaid system.

1. **Other**

Jeff discussed the deal with DODD on provider certification, that OPRA will communicate to providers.

Jeff and Mark provided a remote monitoring/support update.

Christine shared an issue with the business intelligence tool needing to be more robust, or a workaround may be effective.

Mark informed the board of the HCBS Sustainability Summit to be held on November 15th in Chicago with other CMS, states, providers and individuals served/families in CMS region 5. The executive committee and OPRA staff will represent Ohio providers, unless schedules do not allow. Other board members may be recruited, as needed.

Mark provided updates on the work of Advocates for Ohio’s Future.

1. **Adjournment**

Jerri moved for adjournment at 12:55pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bob Heinzerling, Secretary