

GOOCHLAND POWHATAN COMMUNITY SERVICES
MINUTES
January 9, 2023

Goochland Powhatan Community Services Board of Directors held its January 2023 meeting on Monday, January 9, 2023, at Virginia House in Goochland.

Present

Michael Asip
James Babcock
Jackie Cahill
Parthenia Dinora
Stephen Hancock
Joyce Layne-Jordan
Mariah Leonard
Linda Revels

Absent

Crystal Neilson-Hall
Renee Sottong

Staff Attending

Les Saltzberg
Lateshia Brown
Carinne Kight
Cheryl Smith
Irene Temple

Welcome

Les Saltzberg welcomed all attending Board members and thanked them for joining the meeting. He asked if there were any additions to the agenda. There were no additions, and the meeting was brought to order.

Minutes

December 2022 meeting minutes were reviewed for approval. There were no noted errors or corrections.

ACTION: Motion to approve December 2022 meeting minutes, was made by J. Babcock, seconded by J. Cahill. Motion carried by all, and December 2022 minutes were approved.

Review of Unsolicited Conceptual proposal for new Powhatan building

Les let the Board know that they are at the next step in the procurement process for the new Powhatan building. This is the stage where the internal work group presents their review and recommendation of the unsolicited proposal to the Board. If the Board approves to move forward, the next step in the process is to have a public hearing on the proposal. The internal work group has reviewed the proposal at length. Cheryl Smith informed the Board that in the current building GPCS occupies 7,815 square feet of the building however, only about 5500 is useable. The proposed building is 9,300 square feet in total, with the majority will be useable space. This would include 2,000 square feet for Monacan services compared to the current 1,155 square feet. Cheryl proceeded to walk the Board through the proposed

site map noting that the building would have 45 parking spaces, secured hallways, and a multipurpose Board room that can be separated into two rooms with updated audio visual equipment.

Additional highlights of the proposed building are that the Monacan space will be a large open space that can be used in a multitude of ways versus the current hard to navigate layout, and bathrooms specifically for Monacan Services versus the public bathrooms as they currently use. These reasons combined with others resulted in the internal work group recommending the Board approve moving the proposal to the next step in the PPEA process.

The Board engaged in discussion about the current lease negotiations with Powhatan. Les informed them that the Powhatan interim County Administrator presented it to the Powhatan Board of Directors as a replica of what current lease was. Les felt this was best because if it was opened up to the Board of Directors then they would reevaluate and possibly change length, fees, rates, etc.

The Board discussed the plans and possible additions to the building including closet space, barrier doors, and security measures.

ACTION: Motion to approve moving the unsolicited proposal forward according to GPCS PPEA policy, was made by M. Asip, seconded by J. Layne-Jordan. Motion carried by all in attendance, and moving forward the unsolicited proposal from Village Building Company was approved.

Proposal to add new position of Business Support Generalist

Carinne Kight informed the Board that she is proposing to add a new position to the administration team. She explained that as the agency has grown over the past several years the administration team has remained the same size and the amount of work, specifically human resources related work, has grown exponentially. This position would help with administrative tasks related to human resources such as upkeep of staff files, upkeep of hiring files, maintain pre-employment background checks, etc. This would be a full-time position and will be funded through the additional ongoing infrastructure funds DBHDS is providing to CSBs.

ACTION: On motion by J. Cahill, seconded by J. Babcock, all in attendance approve the addition of the Business Support Generalist position as proposed.

Reports

Board Chair –

Parthy reminded the Goochland board members that the conflict-of-interest form needs to be completed and returned to Lisa Beczkiewicz. If anyone has any questions about the form get with Carinne.

Parthy also thanked the board members for completing the survey about the retreat. She noted that it seems as though weekdays are better for retreat. She will get with Les to discuss dates, times, locations and will report back once those times have been determined.

Senior Community Supports Director –

Lateshia noted there was nothing new to report.

Senior Clinical Director –

Irene reported that one of the outpatient therapists has resigned as she is moving to a family-owned private practice. Irene is evaluating if an immediate rehire is needed based on case load sizes and overall

capacity. Conversely, she anticipates that the agency will need another substance use disorder clinician, so that ad is staying posted because it's such a hard to fill position.

Irene also reported on a school visit that she had with Hanover County schools. They have received a grant to have MH professional in schools. The visit went well but unfortunately Powhatan and Goochland schools were unable to attend so they had to reschedule.

GPCS Senior Administrative Director –

Carinne reported that the new business systems analyst started today. He has jumped right into learning credible and the agency. Also, interviews were conducted for the business support- AP position. They went well and should have the position filled by the end of the week. Cheryl and Carinne are hopeful that the new hire can overlap with Beverly some so that her historical knowledge can be passed on.

Executive Director -

Les reported that the JLARC report has been published. This was a study of behavioral health portion of the Virginia CSB system. The biggest conclusion that was published is that structure of CSB system doesn't need to change. A secondary conclusion is that the CSB system is underfunded with lots of turnover at the CSBs.

Les also reported on the Governor's budget. Of note is that the Governor put in more money for crisis services however did not allocate more funds for CSB workforce. The General Assembly has said there will be funding for workforce, but no specifics.

Lastly Les let the Board know that a federal planning grant application has been put in by the state to move towards certified community behavioral health centers (CCBHC) which is a federal designation. Virginia was awarded a planning grant in 2016 but did not get the implementation grant then so it didn't move forward. This time DMAS is on board with the application and the state will find out if the end of February if they are awarded it. Les volunteered GPCS to be one of the 12 CSBs that will be part of the grant should they get it.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:48 pm.

The next meeting is February 6, 2023, at Powhatan offices.

Crystal Neilson-Hall, Secretary
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Date