MENTAL HEALTH & RECOVERY SERVICES (MHRS) BOARD
Serving Coshocton, Guernsey, Morgan, Muskingum, Noble & Perry Counties
1500 Coal Run Road – Zanesville, OH, 43701

OFFICIAL MINUTES – MEETING OF GOVERNING BOARD OF DIRECTORS
(September 11, 2025)

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

I. BOARD NOTIFICATION & COMPLIANCE WITH SUNSHINE LAW:

On September 2, 2025, board members, contract organization directors, service area news media, county boards of commissioners, and state legislators were notified that the Governing Board of Directors would meet on Thursday, September 11, 2025, at Allwell's Guernsey Counseling Center, 831 Wheeling Avenue, Cambridge — with the schedule of activities to include: 5:00 to 6:00 p.m., Meetings of Finance & Audit Committee and Program Committee; and 6:00 p.m., Regular Board Meeting.

II. CALL TO ORDER: President Leondra Davis called the regular board meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

III. OATH OF OFFICE: MHRS Board Office Manager Terri France administered the Oath of Office to the following reappointed board members: ***Leondra Davis*** (Coshocton County) whose appointing authority was the Coshocton County Commissioners; and ***Randi Earnest*** (Guernsey County) whose appointing authority was the Director of the Ohio Department of Mental Health & Addiction Services.

IV. ROLL CALL:

Board Members Present:

- ***Leondra Davis, President (Coshocton County)***
- ***Ben Taylor, Vice President (Perry County – Virtual)***
- ***Sean Brady (Muskingum County)***
- ***Reid Carpenter (Noble County)***
- ***Abby Corder (Muskingum County)***
- ***Randi Earnest (Guernsey County)***
- ***Dennis Hitchcock (Muskingum County)***
- ***Sue Hoover (Muskingum County)***
- ***William Johnson (Coshocton County)***
- ***Tony Mayle, Jr. (Morgan County)***
- ***Lt. Dave Peoples (Guernsey County)*** – *(Present for the Finance/Audit Committee Meeting)*
- ***Dan Scheerer, M.D. (Muskingum County)***
- ***Wendy Starlin (Perry County)***
- ***Bonnie Taylor (Muskingum County)***

There being thirteen board members present during regular board meeting, a quorum was constituted for conducting official business.

Staff Members Present:

- ***Misty Cromwell, Executive Director***
- ***Rhonda Hanes, Associate Director – Director of Finance***
- ***Jamie McGrew, Director of Community Outreach & Programming***
- ***Sarah Reed, Director of Compliance and Quality Improvement***
- ***Linda Hand, Administrative Coordinator***
- ***Terri France, Office Manager***

V. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:

- Theressa Kane, soon-to-be CEO of the merged corporation—Behavioral Health Choices, and James McDonald, CEO of Allwell Behavioral Health Services, were present during specific portions of the Finance/Audit Committee meeting.
- There were no guests at the regular board meeting; however, prior to undertaking the evening's

business, Allwell CEO James McDonald gave board members a tour of their relocated and renovated Guernsey Counseling Center.

VI. **AGENDA:** President Leondra Davis reported the following agenda amendments: 1) 7f. & 7g., under Finance/Audit Committee Report: Separated the allocation requests from Muskingum Behavioral Health and Guernsey Health Choices (previously had been in one motion); 2) 8d., under Program Committee – Human Resources Policies: The policy Appointment Status was retitled 'Employment Status' by Attorney David Moser; 3) 8e., under Program Committee – Mission & Program Policy – Addition of policy – Indemnification Against Liability for Board Members and Employees.

SEAN BRADY MOVED THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR THE SEPTEMBER 11, 2025, REGULAR BOARD MEETING AS AMENDED. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY DENNIS HITCHCOCK AND UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

MEETING MINUTES – JULY 10, 2025: REID CARPENTER MOVED THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JULY 10, 2025, REGULAR BOARD MEETING AS SUBMITTED. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY SUE HOOVER AND A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN AS FOLLOWS: SEAN BRADY, YEA; REID CARPENTER, YEA; ABBY CORDER, YEA; RANDI EARNEST, ABSTAIN; DENNIS HITCHCOCK, YEA; SUE HOOVER, YEA; WILLIAM JOHNSON, YEA; TONY MAYLE, YEA; DAN SCHEERER, YEA; WENDY STARLIN, YEA; BEN TAYLOR, YEA; AND BONNIE TAYLOR, YEA. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED RECEIVING ELEVEN POSITIVE VOTES AND ONE ABSTENTION.

VII. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORTS:**

There were no questions about items Director Misty Cromwell had included in her August and September Board Reports. Summaries of some issues are included in the Board Meeting Highlights.

VIII. **FINANCE/AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT: (Dr. Dan Scheerer, Chair)**

1. ***July 2025 Financial Reports*:**

Board members reviewed the MHRS Board's financial reports for July 2025 that included: 1) Balance Sheet as of July 31, 2025; 2) Dashboard Report; 3) Reconciliation Report; 4) Monthly Report of Network Funding Reserves; and 5) a 'Year-to-Date' Status Report for the MHRS Board's CY 2025 Operating Budget.

►*July 2025 Reconciliation Report:*

Following report of committee action, DAN SCHEERER MOVED THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD OF DIRECTORS ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE FINANCE/AUDIT COMMITTEE TO APPROVE THE JULY 2025 RECONCILIATION REPORT AS SUBMITTED. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY WENDY STARLIN.

Dr. Scheerer provided a specific review of this all-inclusive report that shows deposits, checks written for MHRS Board operations, payments to in-network and out-of-network service providers, and journal entries.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS THEN TAKEN ON THE ABOVE MOTION AS FOLLOWS: SEAN BRADY, YEA; REID CARPENTER, YEA; ABBY CORDER, YEA; RANDI EARNEST, YEA; DENNIS HITCHCOCK, YEA; SUE HOOVER, YEA; WILLIAM JOHNSON, YEA; TONY MAYLE, YEA; DAN SCHEERER, YEA; WENDY STARLIN, YEA; BEN TAYLOR, YEA; AND BONNIE TAYLOR, YEA. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED RECEIVING TWELVE POSITIVE VOTES.

2. ***August 2025 Financial Reports:***

Board members reviewed the MHRS Board's financial reports for August 2025 that included: 1) Balance Sheet as of August 31, 2025; 2) Dashboard Report; 3) Reconciliation Report; 4) Monthly Report of Network Funding Reserves; and 5) a 'Year-to-Date' Status Report for the MHRS Board's CY 2025 Operating Budget.

►*August 2025 Reconciliation Report:*

Following report of committee action, DAN SCHEERER MOVED THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD OF DIRECTORS ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE FINANCE/AUDIT COMMITTEE TO APPROVE THE AUGUST 2025 RECONCILIATION REPORT AS SUBMITTED. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY REID CARPENTER.

Dr. Scheerer provided a specific review of the report that shows deposits, checks written for MHRS Board operations, payments to in-network and out-of-network service providers, and journal entries.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS THEN TAKEN ON THE ABOVE MOTION AS FOLLOWS: SEAN BRADY, YEA; REID CARPENTER, YEA; ABBY CORDER, YEA; RANDI EARNEST, YEA; DENNIS HITCHCOCK, YEA; SUE HOOVER, YEA; WILLIAM JOHNSON, YEA; TONY MAYLE, YEA; DAN SCHEERER, YEA; WENDY STARLIN, YEA; BEN TAYLOR, YEA; AND BONNIE TAYLOR, YEA. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED RECEIVING TWELVE POSITIVE VOTES.

3. ***Mortgage Transfer – Allwell Behavioral Health Services, 917 Beatty Avenue, Cambridge, Ohio:***

Following report of Committee action, DAN SCHEERER MOVED THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD OF DIRECTORS ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE FINANCE/AUDIT COMMITTEE TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:

WHEREAS, Allwell Behavioral Health owns property at 917 Beatty Avenue, in the city of Cambridge and County of Guernsey ("Property") that is no longer needed for the operation of business, and as it would be in the best interest of the corporation to sell this property;

AND WHEREAS, the property is entailed under capital assistance mortgages numbered MH-848 with a remaining balance of $40,671.87, and MH-452 with a remaining balance of $8,182.90, for a total remaining balance of $48,854.77 as of August 18, 2025;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Governors for the Muskingum Area Mental Health and Recovery Services Board supports the transfer of the balances of existing capital assistance mortgages to contract number MH-660, a capital assistance mortgage for the property at 1515 Maple Avenue, in the city of Zanesville, and County of Muskingum

THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY SUE HOOVER AND A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN AS FOLLOWS: SEAN BRADY, YEA; REID CARPENTER, YEA; ABBY CORDER, YEA; RANDI EARNEST, YEA; DENNIS HITCHCOCK, YEA; SUE HOOVER, YEA; WILLIAM JOHNSON, YEA; TONY MAYLE, YEA; DAN SCHEERER, YEA; WENDY STARLIN, YEA; BEN TAYLOR, YEA; AND BONNIE TAYLOR, YEA. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED RECEIVING TWELVE POSITIVE VOTES.

4. ***Mortgage Transfer – Allwell Behavioral Health Services, 2500 John Glenn Highway, Cambridge, Ohio:***

Following report of Committee action, DAN SCHEERER MOVED THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD OF DIRECTORS ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE FINANCE/AUDIT COMMITTEE TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:

WHEREAS, Allwell Behavioral Health owns property at 2500 John Glenn Highway, in the city of Cambridge and County of Guernsey ("Property") that is no longer needed for the operation of business, and as it would be in the best interest of the corporation to sell this property;

AND WHEREAS, the property is entailed under capital assistance mortgages numbered MH-353 with a remaining balance of $13,389.53, and MH-489 with a remaining balance of $27,187.13, for a total remaining balance of $40,576.66 as of August 18, 2025;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Governors for the Muskingum Area Mental Health and Recovery Services Board supports the transfer of the balances of existing capital assistance mortgages to contract number MH-660, a capital assistance mortgage for the property at 1515 Maple Avenue, in the city of Zanesville, and County of Muskingum.

THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY SEAN BRADY AND A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN AS FOLLOWS: SEAN BRADY, YEA; REID CARPENTER, YEA; ABBY CORDER, YEA; RANDI EARNEST, YEA; DENNIS HITCHCOCK, YEA; SUE HOOVER, YEA; WILLIAM JOHNSON, YEA; TONY MAYLE, YEA; DAN SCHEERER, YEA; WENDY STARLIN, YEA; BEN TAYLOR, YEA; AND BONNIE TAYLOR, YEA. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED RECEIVING TWELVE POSITIVE VOTES.

5. Renewal of Oxford House Contract:

Following report of Committee action, DAN SCHEERER MOVED THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD OF DIRECTORS ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE FINANCE/AUDIT COMMITTEE TO RENEW THE MHRS BOARD'S CONTRACT WITH OXFORD HOUSE IN THE AMOUNT OF $128,000.00. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY ABBY CORDER.

Dr. Scheerer noted that this contract would be used to continue the expansion and oversight of Oxford Houses located in the MHRS Board's service area. An Oxford House is a shared residence where people in recovery from drug and alcohol addiction can live together and support each other in a drug and alcohol-free environment. Oxford House residents share the house responsibilities, and a resident can stay as long as they like, provided they stay drug and alcohol free, are not disruptive, and pay their share of house expenses. (Two Oxford Houses—one for men and one for women—are already established in Guernsey County, and expansion of programming is now planned for Coshocton and Muskingum Counties.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS THEN TAKEN ON THE ABOVE MOTION AS FOLLOWS: SEAN BRADY, YEA; REID CARPENTER, YEA; ABBY CORDER, YEA; RANDI EARNEST, YEA; DENNIS HITCHCOCK, YEA; SUE HOOVER, YEA; WILLIAM JOHNSON, YEA; TONY MAYLE, YEA; DAN SCHEERER, YEA; WENDY STARLIN, YEA; AND BONNIE TAYLOR, YEA. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED RECEIVING ELEVEN POSITIVE VOTES. (Per recent state regulations, board members who attend meetings virtually may not vote on expenditures exceeding $100,000.00.)

6. Appropriation Transfer in CY 2025 Budget:

Following report of Committee action, DAN SCHEERER MOVED THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD OF DIRECTORS ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE FINANCE/AUDIT COMMITTEE TO APPROVE THE TRANSFER OF $23,000.00 FROM THE CONTINGENCIES LINE ITEM TO THE EMPLOYEE SALARIES LINE ITEM TO CLOSE OUT THE RETIREMENT OF JANET HILL, THE BOARD'S FORMER DIRECTOR OF BUSINESS OPERATIONS AND CLAIMS MANAGEMENT. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY WENDY STARLIN, AND A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN AS FOLLOWS: SEAN BRADY, YEA; REID CARPENTER, YEA; ABBY CORDER, YEA; RANDI EARNEST, YEA; DENNIS HITCHCOCK, YEA; SUE HOOVER, YEA; WILLIAM JOHNSON, YEA; TONY MAYLE, YEA; DAN SCHEERER, YEA; WENDY STARLIN, YEA; BEN TAYLOR, YEA; AND BONNIE TAYLOR, YEA. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED RECEIVING TWELVE POSITIVE VOTES.

7. Certification of Tax Levies:

After the report of Committee action, DAN SCHEERER MOVED THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD OF DIRECTORS ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE FINANCE/AUDIT COMMITTEE TO ACCEPT THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSIONS OF COSHOCTON, GUERNSEY, MORGAN, MUSKINGUM, NOBLE, AND PERRY COUNTIES – AND AUTHORIZE THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFY THEM TO THE APPLICABLE COUNTY AUDITORS:

Coshocton County	8/10 Mill	$ 355,280.00
Guernsey County	1 Mill	$ 948,000.00
Morgan County	8/10 Mill	$ 201,848.00
Muskingum County	1 Mill	$1,484,556.44
Noble County	7/10 Mill	$ 400,000.00
Perry County	1 Mill	$ 515,000.00

THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY SUE HOOVER.

Per the requirements of the Ohio Revised Code, MHRS Boards are required to take this action in September of each year.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS THEN TAKEN ON THE ABOVE MOTION AS FOLLOWS: SEAN BRADY, YEA; REID CARPENTER, YEA; ABBY CORDER, YEA; RANDI EARNEST, YEA; DENNIS HITCHCOCK, YEA; SUE HOOVER, YEA; WILLIAM JOHNSON, YEA; TONY MAYLE, YEA; DAN SCHEERER, YEA; WENDY STARLIN, YEA; BEN TAYLOR, YEA; AND BONNIE TAYLOR, YEA. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED RECEIVING TWELVE POSITIVE VOTES.

8. Special Allocation Request – Muskingum Behavioral Health (MBH):

On behalf of MBH, soon-to-be CEO of the merged company—Behavioral Health Choices (BHC)—Theressa Kane—requested an allocation totaling $550,000 for MBH for the payoff of the agency's building, payroll support, and business expenses. Finance/Audit Committee members acted on two separate motions related to this request:

a. <u>Capital Request</u>:

Following report of Committee action, DAN SCHEERER MOVED THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD OF DIRECTORS ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE FINANCE/AUDIT COMMITTEE TO APPROVE AN ALLOCATION OF $450,000 TO MUSKINGUM BEHAVIORAL HEALTH TO ADDRESS THE CAPITAL PORTION OF THE ORGANIZATION'S REQUEST, CONTINGENT UPON THERESSA KANE'S HAVING SOLE LEADERSHIP AUTHORITY OVER ALL MBH'S OPERATIONS. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY DENNIS HITCHCOCK, AND A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN AS FOLLOWS: SEAN BRADY, YEA; REID CARPENTER, YEA; ABBY CORDER, YEA; RANDI EARNEST, YEA; DENNIS HITCHCOCK, YEA; SUE HOOVER, YEA; WILLIAM JOHNSON, YEA; TONY MAYLE, YEA; DAN SCHEERER, YEA; WENDY STARLIN, YEA; AND BONNIE TAYLOR, YEA. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED RECEIVING ELEVEN POSITIVE VOTES. (Per recent state regulations, board members who attend meetings virtually may not vote on expenditures exceeding $100,000.00.)

b. Salary Support Request:

Following report of Committee action, DAN SCHEERER MOVED THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD OF DIRECTORS ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE FINANCE/AUDIT COMMITTEE TO APPROVE AN ALLOCATION OF UP TO $100,000 IN SALARY SUPPORT TO MUSKINGUM BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, CONTINGENT UPON THERESSA KANE'S SOLE LEADERSHIP AUTHORITY OVER ALL THE ORGANIZATION'S OPERATIONS. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY SUE HOOVER.

This action is being taken with the expectation that MBH's clinicians will appropriately increase their productivity rates. The above allocation will provide some gap funding until productivity rates are increased to acceptable levels.

A ROLL CALL VOTE ON THE ABOVE MOTION WAS TAKEN AS FOLLOWS: SEAN BRADY, YEA; REID CARPENTER, YEA; ABBY CORDER, YEA; RANDI EARNEST, YEA; DENNIS HITCHCOCK, YEA; SUE HOOVER, YEA; WILLIAM JOHNSON, YEA; TONY MAYLE, YEA; WENDY STARLIN, YEA; DAN SCHEERER, YEA; WENDY STARLIN, YEA; AND BONNIE TAYLOR, YEA. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED RECEIVING ELEVEN POSITIVE VOTES. (Per recent state regulations, board members who attend meetings virtually may not vote on expenditures exceeding $100,000.00.)

9. ***Special Allocation Request – Guernsey Health Choices (GHC):***

On behalf of GHC, Theressa Kane requested an allocation of $130,000 to GHC for the payoff of the agency's building. Theressa pointed out that this action would help to make the upcoming merger of four of the network's alcohol/drug addiction agencies (Guernsey, Morgan, Muskingum, and Perry) a success, and Dr. Scheerer noted that there are sufficient levy funds available to cover this action.

Following report of committee action, DAN SCHEERER MOVED THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD OF DIRECTORS ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE FINANCE/AUDIT COMMITTEE TO APPROVE A SPECIAL ALLOCATION OF $130,000 TO GUERNSEY HEALTH CHOICES. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY SEAN BRADY AND A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN AS FOLLOWS: SEAN BRADY, YEA; REID CARPENTER, YEA; ABBY CORDER, YEA; RANDI EARNEST, YEA; DENNIS HITCHCOCK, YEA; SUE HOOVER, YEA; WILLIAM JOHNSON, YEA; TONY MAYLE, YEA; DAN SCHEERER, YEA; WENDY STARLIN, YEA; AND BONNIE TAYLOR, YEA. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED RECEIVING ELEVEN POSITIVE VOTES. (Per recent regulations, board members who attend meetings virtually may not vote on expenditures exceeding $100,000.00.)

IX. PROGRAM COMMITTEE:

1. ANNUAL REPORT - FY 2025 MAJOR & UNUSUAL INCIDENTS:

The Ohio Revised Code establishes standards to ensure the prompt and accurate notification of certain prescribed incidents. It also requires agencies to review and analyze all incidents to identify and implement corrective measures designed to prevent recurrence and manage risk. The MHRS Board's service providers are required to forward each reportable MUI to the Ohio Department of Mental Health & Addiction Services (with a copy to the MHRS Board) within 24 hours of its discovery. In FY 2025, the MHRS Board received a total of 18 incident reports, all of which were duly addressed. In the Program Committee, Jamie McGrew provided detailed background information about the various incidents.

2. ***POLICY UPDATES: (Policies were in the Electronic Board Meeting Packet File for Review Prior to the Meeting)***

GOVERNANCE SECTION:

REID CARPENTER MOVED THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD OF DIRECTORS ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PROGRAM COMMITTEE TO APPROVE THE POLICY – ***Hiring of Executive Director*** – AS SUBMITTED. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY WENDY STARLIN. THERE WERE NO OBJECTIONS TO THE MOTION.

HEALTH & SAFETY SECTION:

DENNIS HITCHCOCK MOVED THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD OF DIRECTORS ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PROGRAM COMMITTEE TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICIES: ***Board Health & Safety; Smoke-Free Workplace; Concealed Carry; Workstation Use and Security; Systemwide Response to Disasters; Use of Personal Cell Phones.*** THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY ABBY CORDER. THERE WERE NO OBJECTIONS TO THIS MOTION.

HUMAN RESOURCES SECTION:

WENDY STARLIN MOVED THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD OF DIRECTORS ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PROGRAM COMMITTEE TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING HUMAN RESOURCES POLICIES: ***Definitions; Administration; Management Rights; Employment Status; Affirmative Action; Whistleblowing; Recruitment & Selection of Staff; Probationary Period; Outside Employment; Media – Public Relations; New Employee Orientation; Solicitation & Distribution; and Training.*** THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY BONNIE TAYLOR. THERE WERE NO OBJECTIONS TO THIS MOTION.

MISSION & PROGRAM SECTION:

DENNIS HITCHCOCK MOVED THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD OF DIRECTORS ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PROGRAM COMMITTEE TO APPROVE THE POLICY RELATED TO ***Indemnification Against Liability for Board Members and Employees.*** THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY WILLIAM JOHNSON. THERE WERE NO OBJECTIONS TO THIS MOTION.

RECORDS RETENTION AND DESTRUCTION:

REID CARPENTER MOVED THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD OF DIRECTORS ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PROGRAM COMMITTEE TO APPROVE THE POLICY RELATED TO ***Records Retention & Destruction,*** AS PRESENTED AT THE JULY 10, 2025, BOARD MEETING. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY ABBY CORDER. THERE WERE NO OBJECTIONS TO THIS MOTION.

X. OLD BUSINESS: None.

XI. NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Unannounced Site Visits by the Ohio Department of Mental Health & Addiction Services:**

   Director Cromwell reported that recently OhioMHAS had made three unannounced site visits to providers in our service area (only one was a contract provider of the MHRS Board, being Allwell's Residential Facility for Boys) to follow-up on complaints that were lodged about their operations. As a result of Allwell's investigation into the residential facility complaint, they have decided to close out this service line by the beginning of CY 2026. In the interim, OhioMHAS is requiring some immediate operations corrections.

2. **"No Limits" Livestock Show – 2025:** (Summary included in "Meeting Highlights" attached to the minutes.)

NEXT MEETING: The Governing Board of Directors will next meet at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 9, 2025, @ the MHRS Board Office, 1500 Coal Run Road, Zanesville. Prior to regular board meeting, the Finance/Audit Committee and Program Committee will meet from 5:00 to 6:00 pm.

COMMENTS FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:

- ***Thank You!*** Board members expressed appreciation for the opportunity of holding the September 11 board meeting at Allwell's new Counseling Center now located in downtown Cambridge.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

SIGNATURES

SUBMITTED BY:

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Linda Hand, Administrative Coordinator

APPROVED BY:

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Misty Cromwell, Executive Director

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Leondra Davis, Board President