

# ONEOHIO RECOVERY FOUNDATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES

February 14, 2024

The OneOhio Recovery Foundation (the "Organization") Board of Directors (the "Board") held a board meeting on February 14, 2024, at 34 S. 3rd Street, Columbus, OH 43215 (the "Meeting").

### **Board Members in Attendance:**

<u>Non-Metropolitan</u>: Bambi Baughn, Julie Ehemann, Mircea Handru, Matt Old, Don Mason, Ron Luce, Ted St John, Jeannette Wierzbicki

<u>Metropolitan:</u> Denise Driehaus, Keith Hochadel, Dawn Tyler Lee, David Matia, Duane Piccirilli, Greta Johnson

Statewide: Larry Kidd, Jane Portman, Robert Radcliff, Michael Roizen

<u>Legislative</u>: Rob McColley

**Board Members in Attendance via Zoom:** Greta Mayer, Glenn Miller, Tom Gregoire, Christopher Smitherman, Rachel Baker, Evan Kleymeyer

Board Members Not in Attendance: Jeffrey Fix, Judy Dodge, Scott Sylak, Phil Plummer

**Staff Present:** Sarah Anstine, Jim Quinn, Alisha Nelson

I.

# **Welcome and Chair Report:**

The Meeting was called to order by Chairman Kidd at 10:34 a.m. There was a roll call of directors present. A quorum was present for the Meeting.

II.

### **Approval of Agenda and Minutes**

Upon Motion duly made by Director Mason to approve the agenda, seconded by Director Tyler Lee, the Motion passed by unanimous consent of Directors present.

III.

# **Personal Story**

Director Tyler Lee shared Shay Brown's personal story. Her story included overcoming addiction and graduating from college.

### **Committee Reports**

# **Grants Oversight Committee**

Director Gregoire stated that the committee is now meeting twice a month. Today, they would like to present a recommended draft of the organization's first Request for Proposal with hopes that it will be released soon.

Ms. Nelson presented the draft of the RFP to the Board and discussed each step that applicants will go through in the process. Steps include:

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<u>Step One: Registration and Compliance - Applicants will upload detailed information about their organization and the compliance check will occur at this stage.</u> Eligibility will be determined at this stage.

B.

<u>Step Two: Apply in Grant Portal – Applicants can select the Region(s) that they are interested in serving.</u>

C.

<u>Step Three: Regional Review – Regions</u> will review proposals while being mindful of their respective allocations. There is no cap on the amount of funds that applicants may request. Funding can be for 12, 24, or 36 months.

D.

<u>Step Four: Expert Panel Review -</u> The Panel will ensure that proposals align with evidence-based practices and the Abatement Strategy

E.

Step Five: Grant Committee Review

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<u>Step Six: Final Board Approval</u> – The Board of Directors must vote to affirm a grant award before funds may be disbursed.

Ms. Nelson mentioned proposals may be received, reviewed, and approved on a rolling basis to expedite the distribution of funds.

The Board proceeded to ask questions.

Can multiple regions partner to submit a proposal?

Yes. We encourage partnerships. One organization will need to be the lead applicant.

Will statewide proposals be accepted?

For the 2024 grant cycle we are not accepting statewide proposals. We are limiting funding to the regions.

What is the timeframe for this funding?

If we get approval on the RFP, then I can release the dates for this year.

For next year, we can talk through what next year looks like as we learn from this initial process

Can you share that some local entities have received funding?

There is a distinction between the Foundation funds (55%) and the 30% that went directly to local communities. The Foundation has no oversight for local funds and the public should be redirected to their local government with inquiries.

Who will be primarily responsible for communicating/marketing this funding opportunity? The Foundation will take the lead in marketing the funding opportunity. There is a toolkit that's been created and there will be webinars to help educate the public.

Director Tyler Lee stated words of appreciation and acknowledgement of the Grants Oversight Committee Chair and Members as well as the OneOhio Staff for the work that has occurred to get us ready for the first round of grants as a Foundation.

Upon Motion by Director Hochadel to accept the OneOhio Recovery Foundations first Request for Proposals, seconded by Director Mason, the Motion passed by unanimous affirmative vote of directors present.

With approval, Ms. Nelson announced Key Dates in the Regional Grant Cycle:

G.

RFP Release March 4, 2024

H.

Registration Opens, March 4, 2024

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Application Opens April 2, 2024

J.

Application Due Date, May 3, 2024

The Board proceeded to ask questions.

How do we ensure that addenda and region-specific language is captured?

Ms. Nelson said that we will discuss it at the next meeting.

How will we provide feedback or receive feedback from applicants who are not funded?

We will touch on the application process in the March meeting.

We have a chance to dialogue with the applicants and provide support for them in navigating the process. We want to attract a variety of applicants.

Do we have enough capacity to support those regions that may not have the support in place to handle the application process?

We believe do. We will provide support and education to the regions. We also will be present in the regions during the process.

Are there any issues with Board members participating at the regional level in the applicant process while simultaneously being on the Board of Directors which approves the funding? We want to be aware of potential conflicts. We will have a process that addresses this issue. General Counsel states that the Conflict-of-Interest Policy at the Regional level should address this.

What about Directors involved with organizations applying for funding? The Foundation's conflict of interest policy is aligned with the IRS conflict policy. We will ask the Director not to be involved in deliberative proceedings.

#### **Personnel Committee**

Director Ehemann stated that the Personnel Committee has met and discussed the contract with Paychex to support Human Resources needs at the Foundation. Director Ehemann also mentioned that the committee also discussed the hiring process for the Grants Manager and the Executive Assistant.

### V.

## **Executive Director Report**

Ms. Nelson gave the Executive Director Update. Staff are working to schedule listening session events in partnership with the regions. The goal is to host these events in the regions where we can hear directly from the communities we look to serve. So far, sessions have been scheduled in Hamilton County (Region 2) on 3/15, and in Mahoning and Trumbull Counties (Region 7) on 3/18.

Ms. Nelson also shared that separate from the Listening Session events, the staff team has been working with community partners to develop the OneOhio Impact Academy series of webinars. The goal of these events is to share with potential applicants best practices, innovations in the field, and details on other funding sources. The first OneOhio Impact Academy event is in partnership with Ohio Recovery Housing. Future topics will include recovery supports, prevention, cultural competency, law enforcement, and other pertinent topics.

Ms. Nelson also shared that the staff is proud to share that region webpages are launching today. Meeting dates, times, and minutes will be posted here and easily accessible to the local communities in each Region.

Ms. Nelson also shared the new Grant Headquarters site and mentioned that this site will host the OneOhio toolkit, key dates, RFP details, and any other grant information.

#### VI.

### **Financial Report**

Mr. Quinn gave the Financial Report and shared that he has worked to develop a new view of the monthly budget report. This report now includes both the OneOhio Operating and the OneOhio Grant budget. The goal of this report is to present a holistic view of all funds. This is primarily a management tool to see how the organization is progressing.

Upon Motion duly made by Director Handru to approve the budget, seconded by Director Portman, the Motion passed by unanimous affirmative vote of Directors present.

Mr. Quinn also shared that the second half of the report provided is the Cash Balance Report and will give a monthly snapshot of balances in all banks.

VII.

# **Open Discussion**

Chairman Kidd offered thanks to everyone on the Board and Staff for the work that has been done to get to this point. Chairman Kidd announced his resignation as Chairman of the Board and stated that he will continue to serve as a member of the Board of Directors. Chairman Kidd stated that per the Foundation's Code of Regulations upon the resignation of the Chair the Vice Chair will become Interim Chair. Chairman Kidd stated that the OneOhio General Counsel has is in receipt of the resignation letter from Charman Larry Kidd who will assume a role as a Board member.

Upon Motion duly made by Director Johnson to authorize the Executive Committee and staff to do all that is necessary to transfer duties and authorizations previously granted to the Chair, Larry Kidd, to the Vice Chair, now Interim Chair Don Mason, seconded by Director Wierzbicki, the Motion passed by unanimous affirmative vote of Directors present.

Ms. Nelson thanked the former Chair for his service.

VIII.

#### Adjourn

Motion to Adjourn. Approved. 11:43 a.m.

The undersigned, being the Secretary of the OneOhio Recovery Foundation Board of Directors, hereby attests that these minutes are a true and correct original of the February 14, 2024, Board Meeting.

| Keith Hochadel  Keith Hochadel (May 1, 2024 13:39 EDT) |      |  |
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| Signature  | Date |  |