**Minutes of**

**MENTAL HEALTH ADVOCACY SERVICE**

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

August 22, 2020

10 A.M.

**Videoconference via Zoom**

Join Zoom Meeting

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Staff and Board members present: Joseph Seyler (non-voting), Rob Garda, Steve Scheckman, David Katner, Paul Race, Martin Drell, Madalyn Wasilczuk, Leslie Lacy (member of public).

AGENDA

1. Approval of minutes of board meeting of January 18, 2020.

-Katner moved and Scheckman seconded. Unanimously approved.

2. Approval of minutes of board meeting of March 14, 2020.

-Scheckman moved and Race seconded. Unanimously approved.

3. Approval of minutes of board meeting of May 9, 2020.

-Scheckman moved and Race seconded. Unanimously approved.

4. Proposed budget adjustment for FY 2020-21 (Title IV-E funds).

-Joseph Seyler reviewed and discussed the MHAS proposed budget adjustment for FY 2020-21 (Title IV-E funds). Following a discussion, and after public comment from Leslie Lacy in favor of the proposed budget adjustment, Rob Garda moved for approval and Katner seconded. Unanimously approved.

Garda moves to amend the Agenda to consider Katner’s motion to authorize MHAS to begin solicitation and negotiation of vendor contracts identified in the proposed budget adjustment with final approval retained by the Board prior to execution. Race seconded. Unanimously approved.

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5. Report on MHAS response to the public health emergency.

-Joseph Seyler reviewed and discussed the MHAS response to the public health emergency.

6. **New Matters**

-Katner requested that the Board consider recording all future Board meetings held via zoom. The Board determined this issue would be brought up at the next schedule meeting of the Board.

The meeting was then adjourned.

“I certify that the agenda, and any matter voted on at the board meeting, is limited to matters either related to MHAS’s response to the current public health crisis or cannot be postponed or delayed due to legal requirement or other deadline as per R.S. 42:17.1.”

--Rob Garda, Chair, Board of Trustees