Avita Community Partners

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes		
DATE: May 26, 2021	TIME: 7:00 PM	
PLACE: Virtual and Teleconference available through Zoom	PRESIDING: Barbara Bosanko, Chair	

Attendance

Seth Barnes, Jr.	🖾 Yes 🗆 No	Sherry Estep	🖾 Yes 🗌 No	Sammy Reece	🗆 Yes 🗵 No
Barbara Bosanko	🖾 Yes 🗌 No	Deena Handy	🗆 Yes 🖾 🛛 No	Jennifer Scalia	🗆 Yes 🖾 🛛 No
Angie Brown	🗆 Yes 🗵 No	Terry Hawkins	🖾 Yes 🗌 🛛 No	Angela Whidby	🖾 Yes 🗌 No
Peggy Brown	🖾 Yes 🗌 No	Avery Nix	🖾 Yes 🗌 🛛 No	Carol Williams	🖾 Yes 🗌 No
Anne Davis	🖾 Yes 🗌 No	Bruce Palmer	🖾 Yes 🗌 No	Kent Woerner	🛛 Yes 🗌 No
Shelly Echols	🖾 Yes 🗌 No	Penny Penn	🖾 Yes 🗌 No	Alice Worthan	🖾 Yes 🗌 No

Executive Team Member Attendance

Greg Ball	🖾 Yes 🗌 No	Lori Holbrook	🖾 Yes 🗌 🛛 No	Mary Donna McAvoy	🖾 Yes 🗌 No
Cathy Ganter	🖾 Yes 🗌 No	Cindy Levi	🖾 Yes 🗌 No	Hannah Quinn	🖾 Yes 🗌 No
Allan Harden	🛛 Yes 🗌 No				

Agenda Items	Key Discussion Points/Outcomes/Decisions/Action Items
Welcome & Call to	After the Spotlight on Services presentation by Supported Housing, the Board Meeting was called to
Order	order at 7:00 PM by Barbara Bosanko
Determine Presence	A quorum was present with 14 members in attendance.
of a Quorum	
Approval of Agenda	Motion to approve the agenda was made by Angela Whidby; second by Kent Woerner. Motion carried
Approval of Minutes	Motion to approve the April 28, 2021 minutes was made by Anne Davis; second by Shelly Echols. Motion carried.
Board Chair Report	Barbara shared appreciation for the employees working with our IDD group in Dahlonega as they partner with the Garden Club of Lumpkin County.
CEO Report	Cindy Levi reviewed the following in her report:
	 Avita has updated its Covid regulations based on the new CDC recommendations – no masks required for fully vaccinated individuals and no temperature checks upon entry into our facilities. For the safety of our clients and staff, we will still require masks to be worn with IDD clients and in all vehicles when transporting clients The Appendix K rate increase through the NOW and COMP waivers are being voided and rebilled at the higher rate for the months of March and April Avita has a new website that can be viewed at www.avitapartners.org An article about the new BHCC was posted on accessWDUN and the ribbon cutting for the new facility will be June 22 at 10:00 AM The payout amount for our Covid-19 business interruption claim increased from \$116,067 to \$134,823 for an additional \$18,756 The ransomware attack that we experienced in August of 2020 is under FBI investigation Avita has submitted a grant application in response to SAMHSA's Community Mental Health Centers opportunity
	 Our IDD program in Dawsonville has been providing services in conjunction with the Dahlonega IDD program, so we will no longer rent IDD space in Dawsonville to gain the cost savings
	 Our former WellCare clients have all been successfully moved to their new payer information through the hard work of our accounting department
Financial Update	Greg Ball reviewed the following in his report:
	 We have a \$280,000 surplus in the month of April, \$1,229,000 surplus YTD
	 Comparison of revenues YTD from FY20 to FY21 are down 3.6%
	 Comparison of expenses YTD from FY20 to FY21 are down 9.1%
	 We are at 91.9% completion of payments for the BHCC
	 Our Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) continue to exceed the targets established by DBHDD: Cash on Hand – 106 days
	 Current Ratio – 7.2:1

Agenda Items	Key Discussion Points/Outcomes/Decisions/Action Items
	 Days of Covered Expenses – 215 days
	 Long Term Debt Ratio – 0.13:1
Other Business	Market Rate Pay Adjustments, COLA and End of FY21 Bonus: Cindy Levi
	Cindy reported that we are having trouble retaining staff as well as hiring new staff due to low
	salaries. The Executive Team proposed that we raise pay for some staff to market rate, give
	those within market rate a 3% annual salary increase and for all employees who have been with
	Avita since March 2021, a onetime bonus equal to one pay check to be given at the end of June.
	Anne Davis made a motion to approve the pay raises; Angela Whidby second. Motion passed.
	Nominating Committee Report: Jennifer Echols
	• The nominating committee reported to the Board that Angela Whidby has volunteered to be Board Chair and Penny Penn has volunteered for Board Vice-Chair for the FY22. The motion for
	nomination will take place at the June 2020 meeting
	Proposed Bylaw Changes: Kent Woerner
Quarterly Corporate	 No changes were proposed Cathy Ganter reviewed the following in her Corporate Compliance Report: January – March 2021
Compliance Report	Summary:
	Internal reports decreased, but external reports increased
	 Subject Area Increases: Service Quality
	 Subject Area Decreases: Management Practices, Health and Safety, Business Practices
	 272 Covid Related incidents were reported that were not included in these numbers
Committee Reports	Board Governance: Kent Woerner reported that the following topics were discussed in the April
·	committee meeting:
	Senate 95 Teleconference Bill,
	Bylaw changes
	 Possibly alternating in person and virtual Board meetings
	 CSBs were included in the one-time state pay incentive of \$1000
	 The eventuality of a transition to a CCBHC service model
	Community and Client Relations: Penny Penn reported that the following topics were discussed in the
	April committee meeting:
	The IDD Dawsonville site will be closing and combining the Dawsonville and Dahlonega IDD
	groups
	• The Lumpkin Gardens will be learning about gardening with the Garden Club of Lumpkin County
	Many IDD clients are eager to return to services
	IDD and BH are both short staffed DU has actureed to in across services, providers can use Zoom if needed
	BH has returned to in person services, providers can use Zoom if needed
	We have expanded telehealth services Act has many homeless clients
	 Act has many homeless clients APEX is in 67 schools
	 In Case Management, Covid IR numbers have decreased
	Finance: Greg Ball reported for Angie Brown that the following topics were discussed in the April
	committee meeting:
	Supplemental Covid funding for both BH and IDD services were reviewed
	 Goals of the budget process were given
	 Overall trending of revenues and expenses
Announcements	N/A
Adjournment	At 8:10 PM Angela Whidby made a motion to adjourn the meeting; second by Kent Woerner, motion

Barbara Bosanko/DS

6/23/21

Presiding Officer Signature

Date Approved

Respectfully submitted,

Dana Sharitt

Dana Sharitt, Recording Secretary