

**Texana Center  
Board of Trustees  
Minutes  
Date: July 28, 2021**

On the above date, the regular meeting of the Texana Center Board of Trustees was held at 2330 Graeber Road in Rosenberg, Texas.

**MEMBERS PRESENT IN PERSON:**

Sue Fagan, Board Chair  
Dennis W. Young, Vice Chair  
John Robson, Secretary  
Willie Greer  
Leroy Cerny  
Sarah Hudgins  
Linda Harnist

**MEMBERS PRESENT VIA ZOOM:**

Dr. Asim Shah  
Toi Blakley Harris

**EX OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT IN PERSON:**

Lt. Jerome Ellis

**EX OFFICIO MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Sheriff Skipper Osborne

**STAFF PRESENT:**

George Patterson, Chief Executive Officer  
Amanda Darr, Chief Financial Officer  
Shena Ureste, Director, Behavioral Healthcare  
Dot Preisler, Director, Human Resources  
Kevin Barker, Director, IDD Provider Services  
Kate Johnson-Patagoc, Director, IDD Specialized Services  
Lori Marcus, Compliance Officer  
Rhonda Hodges, Recording Secretary

**STAFF ABSENT:**

Sheri Talbot, Director, IDD Authority and Admissions  
Sheree Prather, Director, Development & Community Relations

## GUESTS:

Kerry Beth Cottingham and Cassie Ortiz, both representing Hope Fort Bend Clubhouse.

### I. CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION, DETERMINATION OF QUORUM, RECOGNITION OF GUESTS, AND CORRESPONDENCE

Board Chair, Sue Fagan called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. She asked Dennis Young to give the Invocation. Sue determined there was a quorum for the meeting. Sue Welcomed guests Kerry Beth Cottingham and Cassie Ortiz, both from Hope Fort Bend Clubhouse. Sue welcomed Lt. Jerome Ellis as the new Ex Officio Board Member representing Fort Bend County. Lt. Ellis provided a brief history about himself and his family.

### II. RECOGNITION OF ABSENCES

Sue recognized Sheriff Skipper Osborne, Sheri Talbot and Sheree Prather as being absent from the meeting.

### III. PUBLIC COMMENT

Sue recognized Kerry Beth Cottingham as wanting to make a comment. Kerry took a few minutes to state how grateful she is for the partnership between the Fort Bend Clubhouse and Texana Center.

### IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- April 28, 2021– Board of Trustees Meeting

Sue presented the minutes from the April 28, 2021 Board of Trustees meeting to the Board asking if they had any discussion or changes for the minutes presented. Hearing none, Sue called for a motion.

John Robson made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Leroy Cerny seconded the motion. **Motion Carried.**

### V. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

1. Texana Center Board of Trustees and Board Assignments Committee Assignments FY 2022
2. Review and Consider Approval of FY 2022 Nomination of Officers of the Board of Trustees of Texana Center
3. Review and Consider Approval of Board of Trustees Meeting Schedule for FY 2022

4. Annual Review of Investment and Cash Management Procedure

Sue presented the above listed consent agenda items to the Board. She asked if there they had any questions, regarding the items listed. The Board had no questions. Sue called for a motion.

Linda Harnist made a motion to approve all of the consent agenda items as presented. Willie Greer seconded the motion. **Motion Carried.**

VI. THE BOARD WILL CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

1. Review and Consider Approval of Update to Texana Center's Strategic Goals

Sue asked George to present the update to the fiscal year 2022 and 2023 Texana Center Strategic Goals.

George provided a brief update on the changes made to the Strategic Goals presented for FY 2022 and FY 2023. He briefly discussed a few of the updates which, include the addition of CCBHC (Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic), ensuring that Texana offers inviting, clean and well maintained physical locations to facilitate a comfortable and appealing environment for patients/clients and staff as well as strengthening of our organization in areas of diversity and cultural competency.

Sue thanked George for his review and asked the Board if there were any questions. Hearing no questions, Sue called for a motion.

John Robson made a motion to accept the updates to the Texana Center's Fiscal Year 2022 and 2023 Strategic Goals as presented. Leroy Cerny seconded the motion. **Motion Carried.**

2. Review and Consider Approval of the PNAC Report

Sue began by mentioning that the four new members assigned to the committee, were amazing and participated during the meeting. Sue asked Kevin to provide additional details from the meeting. Kevin briefly discussed the following recommendation from the committee:

*"Consider support for the following recommendation to HHSC for management of the IDD Interest List: Allow persons determined ineligible for a Medicaid waiver to maintain their offer for enrollment at a time when their needs and eligibility status change."*

George mentioned he could draft a letter to the HHSC on behalf of the Board recommending the above recommendation.

Following the review of the PNAC Report, Sue asked the Board if there were any questions. Hearing no questions, Sue called for a motion.

Dennis Young made a motion to accept the PNAC report as presented. Linda Harnist seconded the motion. ***Motion Carried.***

VII. **THE BOARD WILL DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WITH NO ACTION REQUIRED:**

1. **Review of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Qtr. FY 2021 Financial Report**

Amanda Darr presented Texana Center Financial Report for the third Qtr. FY 2021. She mentioned the Center reported an excess of expenses over revenue of \$974,330 for the third Qtr. FY 2021. However, she also reported that the Center is set to receive their semi-annual payment of DSRIP funds by the end of July for \$6,362,826, which will allow the Center to end the year in a positive position. Amanda ended her review by discussing the challenges the Center has had in hiring and keeping staff that is exacerbated by the COVID 19 pandemic.

2. **Update on Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics (CCBHC) Certification**

Shena provided a brief update on the CCBHC Certification. She mentioned the State was not accepting new CCBHC submissions as they are behind in certifying the ones they have already received. They will notify Texana when they are ready for our submission.

Sue thanked Shena for her update.

3. **Update on Branding and Messaging Initiative**

George provided a brief update on the "Branding and Messaging Initiative". He mentioned Texana is currently working with a company named "Black Sheep" to determine if changes are needed about Texana's message and branding. He mentioned this group previously worked with other large organizations.

VIII. **EXECUTIVE SESSION – There was no need for an Executive Session at today's meeting.**

AN EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION WILL BE HELD FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES:

- Deliberation Regarding Current, Pending, or Anticipated Litigation
  - o Velasquez and Frias v. Texana Center

IX. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION AND CONSIDER TAKING ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING:

- Deliberation Regarding Current, Pending, or Anticipated Litigation
  - o Velasquez and Frias v. Texana Center

X. NEXT BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Sue announced that the next Board meeting is Wednesday, October 27, 2021. She also mentioned to the Board that Rhonda Hodges would be sending out the 2021 CEO Evaluation prior to that meeting. She asked that the Board send their responses directly to her for compiling.

XI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sue announced that the 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Texas Council Conference would be held on November 17, 2021 through November 19, 2021 at the Renaissance Hotel in Austin.

Rhonda Hodges mentioned she would be in contact with the Board as we get closer to the event in order to find out who will be attending the event and if they plan on bringing their significant other.

George mentioned there would be a second conference in June of 2022, which will include a larger group of attendees. This specific conference will be in Houston.

XII. ADJOURN

Sue adjourned the meeting at 9:48 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Rhonda Hodges  
Recording Secretary

Approved:

Approved:

*Sue Fagan* 10-27-21

Sue Fagan  
Board Chair

Date