Kansas Fights Addition Grant Review Board

Meeting Minutes Friday, December 2, 2022 9:30 a.m. Sunflower Foundation Sunflower Board Room 4<sup>th</sup> Floor 5820 SW 6th Avenue Topeka, KS 66606

#### **Members Present**

Pat George, Chairperson Robyn Chadwick Sara Caylor Keith Rickard Jason Hess Mike Brouwer Sandra Dixon Gary Henson Mike Kagay

#### **Member Absent**

Laurie Krom Monica Murnan

## **Committee Staff Present**

Robert Hutchison, Office of the Attorney General, legal counsel for the Board Christoher Teters, Office of the Attorney General Connie Burns, Committee Assistant Bill Hall, Sunflower Foundation Krista Machado, Sunflower Foundation Brandon Skidmoe, Sunflower Foundation

## Others attending

See attached list

There was a quorum present.

Chairperson Pat George called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m. The Chair welcomed those attending and asked the Board members and staff to introduce themselves.

#### Approval of September 26, 2022 Board Meeting's Minutes

Robyn Chadwick moved to approve the Board Minutes for September 26, 2022, Sandra Dixon seconded the motion. <u>The motion carried</u>.

## Status Update from the Office of the Attorney General

Chris Teters, Office of the Attorney General, provided a status update of the settlement and addressed questions and concerns from the Board.

Chairman George moved to authorize \$100,000 for administration costs. Robyn Chadwick seconded the motion. <u>The motion carried</u>.

## **Needs Assessment**

Krista Machado, Sunflower Foundation, provide the Board with an overview of the three areas of potential work. (Attachment 1) The three pronged approach would include:

- 1. Completion of a comprehensive needs assessment to help inform the development of a more dynamic, long-term funding approach
- 2. Development of a framework to support a short-term (12-16 months) grant making strategy, allowing the board to be responsive to the immediate needs of communities and organizations across the state
- 3. Development of a plan to devote a portion of the board's designated meeting time in 2023 to hearing from partners in the field and others related to ongoing needs, new and emerging data and potential funding opportunities.

Based on an earlier directive by the board, Sunflower staff began researching similar needs assessment in Kansas and in other states. While the research continues, an early appraisal would suggest that up to \$1 million would be needed to complete an assessment on a scale and scope that aligns with the desires of the board to be innovative in how/where it deploys future KFA dollars.

# Chair George moved to authorize \$1.5 million dollars for needs assessment. Robyn Chadwick seconded the motion. <u>The motion carried</u>.

Using the state plan, the board could consider developing request for proposals (RFP's) and allocating funds based on the following prioritized focus areas:

- Treatment and Recovery
- Linkages to Care
- Prevention
- Harm Reduction
- Providers and Health Systems
- Public safety

Tables were provided to depict the recommended strategies in each of the six focus areas. For the next meeting Sunflower staff will be prepared to provide a draft framework to guide the needs assessment process and a draft framework to support short-term grant making.

## **Short Term Funding Strategies**

Chairperson George and Krista Machado, provided the Board with information to promote discussion on short term funding strategies. Some questions on what the RFP's would look like, proposed areas, and for the January meeting will have something for the board to review. Also stated that money would not be available before March 1<sup>st</sup>.

Discussion on how to make notice, suggestions were for a webinar and to send out notice to different network connections.

## **Proposed Dates for Future Meetings**

Chairperson George will distribute information to the Board members for future meeting dates. Will send out dates to board members for recurring KFAB meetings. The next meeting is set for Friday, January 20, 2023, 9:00 am location to be announced.

*Mike Brouwer moved to adjourn the Board Meeting. Robyn Chadwick seconded the motion.* <u>*The motion carried.*</u>

The Meeting was adjourned at 10:29 AM.

Approved by Committee on:

(date)