



OneOhio Recovery Foundation Grant Making Oversight Committee Meeting Notes

10 a.m. – 11 a.m. January 27, 2023

Present: Tom Gregoire (chair), Josh Cox, Denise Driehaus, Julie Ehemann, Jeff Fix, Keith Hochadel, Larry Kidd, Greta Mayer, Jane Portman, Jim Simmons, Jeannette Wierzbicki; staff Kathryn Whittington, Claudia Herrold, Jim Quinn

Chair Gregoire convened the meeting shortly after 10 a.m., welcoming everyone and summarizing the agenda and purpose of the meeting. Claudia introduced herself, providing background on Philanthropy Ohio and her 24 years of experience that has included:

- Assisting the Ohio Department of Education (ODE) with the distribution of \$88 million in grants last year for the purpose of summer and afterschool learning, helping to develop the RFA and scoring rubric, recruiting, training and managing 120 reviewers who scored 755 proposals;
- In 2020-21, creating and managing the Ohio Collaborative for Educating Remotely, a public-private partnership between Philanthropy Ohio and ODE with the Governor's Office, raising \$1.5 million that the state matched 3:1 and resulting in \$5.7 million in grants to schools, districts and Education Service Centers.
- Helping with the creation and first grant cycle of the Ohio Tobacco Prevention and Cessation Foundation with MSA funds in 2000-02.

The Committee, having previously received the discussion draft of the Grant Making Policy, began its consideration. Most of the discussion focused on the duties of the committee, with consensus reached that the Committee reserve the authority to create subcommittees as needed in the future. There was also clarification of language related to the committee reviewing applications submitted by regions to assure that they meet criteria stated in the MOU.

One question that arose during the discussion concerned the potential for statewide grants: Where would such grants come from? How much – if any – funds should be allocated to statewide grants?

Ms. Herrold provide two examples of statewide topics that might be served in a statewide fashion: media campaigns (such as the current anti-stigma campaign) and a help line. The Committee will need Board direction on this issue, which Board Chair Kidd said was planned for the February meeting.

There was also discussion about whether grant funds could be used for the continuation of current projects; the Committee felt it is appropriate to fund current projects that demonstrate effectiveness and success. Development and discussion of the RFP process will include this topic.

The Committee also discussed the role of the Expert Panel in relation to the Committee and to the regions. Further consideration and clarity are needed to assure the policy complies with the MOU and Code of Regulations.



The meeting adjourned at 11 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Claudia Herrold