South Carolina Opioid Recovery Fund Board Meeting

July 30, 2025

Edgar A. Brown Building, 1205 Pendleton Street, Room 252

Columbia, SC 29201

**Call to Order**

Board Chair Eric Bedingfield called the Meeting to order at 10:00 AM. Those in attendance and constituting a quorum were:

**Board Members Present:** Chair Eric Bedingfield, Vice Chair Aditi Bussells, Toby Chappell, Steve Donaldson, Chief Judge H. Bruce Williams, Martine Helou-Allen, Gary Mixon, and Lisa Montgomery. **Excused Absence:** Dr. Jared Stone

**Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting**

A motion to approve the minutes from the June 11, 2025, SCORF Board meeting was made by Mr. Mixon, Mr. Donaldson seconded, m/c unanimous. A motion to approve the minutes from the June 20, 2025, SCORF Board meeting via Zoom was made by Chair Bedingfield, Ms. Helou-Allen seconded, m/c unanimous.

**Attorney General’s Office Report**

Jared Libet, Assistant Attorney General, reported that the first payment from Kroger was received, representing the 2024 and 2025 payments. There have been amendments to the state subdivision agreement to bring in payments from Sackler and the eight smaller pharmaceutical companies. Subdivisions that may lose year one funds to the Discretionary Subfund have been informed repeatedly to make a request to spend them by year end.

**Fund Financial Report**

Denise Carraway, SFAA Director of Budget and Finance, presented the June 2025 Statement of Activities. There were no questions from the Board.

**SFAA Administrative Report**

Alana Williams, SFAA Director of Strategic Initiatives, reported that the Grant Management System (GMS) went live on the SCORF website on July 3, 2025, and that the rollout went well. There is a planned training for **B**oard members. Ms. Williams asked the Board for three volunteers for the upcoming South Carolina Governor’s Opioid Summit SCORF panel. The upcoming 8/1/25 SCORF Zoom Coffee Chat is a public comments session and Board members are invited to join.

**Chairman’s Report**

Chair Bedingfield reported that the SCORF Board retreat this year will be in October, and the Board members will receive a Doodle poll for scheduling. The purpose of the retreat will be to go over systems.

**Old Business**

1. **Approval of the amended 2024 DSF meeting minutes.** The minutes erroneously recorded dollar amounts for applicants and have been amended by removing the amounts to reflect what occurred during the meeting. A motion to approve the amended minutes from the 2024 DSF SCORF board meeting was made by Mr. Donaldson and seconded by Chair Bedingfield, m/c unanimous.

**New Business**

1. **Jodi Manz, Executive Director SC Center of Excellence in Addiction presentation.** Ms. Manz presented to answer Board questions about how SCORF funds allocated to the Center of Excellence (COE) have been spent. A slide deck about the Center of Excellence and its use of awarded funds was presented to the Board. Ms. Manz completed her presentation by suggesting a partnership with the SCORF Board, suggesting that this would be helpful both in appropriately spending awarded funds and identifying the needs in counties and municipalities with allocated funds.

The floor was opened for comments and questions from the SCORF Board, which focused on gathering data, measurable impact and the high costs paid to state Universities to work with the COE. Board members suggested adding a question to SCORF applications about whether applicants contacted the COE and received assistance.

1. **Brandy Singleton, CEO, and David Carter, Strategic Advisor- PlaySafe .** Mr. Bedingfield recused himself both from discussion during this presentation. Ms. Singleton thanked the Board and Staff and introduced David Carter. Ms. Singleton provided an overview of PlaySafe and discussed how PlaySafe saw an opportunity to speak with athletes about prevention and stated that Principals are requesting that PlaySafe now speak with all students about prevention. Ms. Singleton explained that PlaySafe’s resubmitted application is reduced by about half the amount of the original request and explained reasons for the proposed marketing plan with billboards and mailouts for consistent branding and messaging across all communities per County requests. PlaySafe’s main focus is athletic trainers in schools and has expanded into other areas while also having partnerships in-kind that provide these services. PlaySafe is not offering programs to schools until they have established the funding for the programs. Board discussion that notices from schools or school districts that a program will be allowed in the schools is necessary for the SCORF Board to support a large investment of millions of dollars for one organization and that Letters of Commitment should be provided with the application. The Board discussed with Ms. Singleton the need to see more collaboration with experienced organization, have Letters of Commitment to ensure schools will allow PlaySafe programming in the schools, and reduce excessive costs. Additional discussion that considering economies of scale for one organization doing the same thing in multiple places there should be overlap in savings and asked whether PlaySafe could identify this savings, for example the ability to use generated materials in multiple counties, and Ms. Singleton agreed that PlaySafe could revisit their application and scale back some costs. Ms. Singleton clarified what costs were removed from the revised application including her salary and some other line items the SCORF Board questioned in the previous application. The Board had no further questions.

Motion to enter Executive Session for legal advice by Vice Chair Bussells and seconded by Mr. Donaldson, m/c unanimous.

The Board returned from executive session. No action was taken at this time.

The SCORF Board meeting resumed.

1. **GPS Application Review.** Vice Chair Bussells called for a motion address the GPS applications on the agenda. Mr. Chappell made a motion to defer these items until the Board receives more information, Mr. Donaldson seconded, m/c unanimous.

Ms. Williams asked Mr. Chappell to specify what information the Board is requiring for the record.

Motion amended to clarify the information should include Letters of Commitment and/or memorandums of understanding, etc., from the school systems in these counties by Mr. Chappell and seconded by Mr. Donaldson, m/c unanimous.

* 1. **Laurens County.** Deferred until Letters of Commitment/MOU from the school districts received.
  2. **Richland County.** Deferred until Letters of Commitment/MOU from the school districts received.

The Board adjourned for a brief lunch break.

The Board meeting resumed.

1. **DSF Application Review.** Staff explained the scoring summary chart and the year over year spreadsheet. The DSF currently has $16 million, and the Board previously budgeted $7.5 million for awards for each round of DSF applications. The Board discussed its prior method of review for DSF applications including placing applications in a favorable or unfavorable group and decided to begin with the top scoring applications from each scoring team and work down the application list according to scores.
2. **Clemson University Zinzow.** Recusal by Mr. Chapell. A continuation application related to trauma prevention and intervention. This applicant provided a two-year plan, and has accurate data and good partnerships as well as listed outcomes from year one and a reasonable budget. The Board added this application to the favorable group.
3. **Spartanburg Regional Healthcare System.** A new application with areas of impact to include Spartanburg, Cherokee, and Union counties. They have two times the state average for naloxone deployment in Union County, and all three counties saw a substantial increase in opioid use between 2019 and 2022. The applicant outlined five smart goals and related them to abatement strategies, along with a robust performance measurement plan. This goal is to control opioids coming out of the hospital. Ms. Montgomery expressed concern about the voluntary classes for licensed nurses who prescribe narcotics, leaning toward making them mandatory. Vice Chair Bussells said they have a clear sustainability plan suggested a benefit of showing their month to month outcomes. The Board added this application to the favorable group.
4. **Crossroads Treatment Center.** A new application with a heavy focus on peer support treatment, targeting Charleston, Florence, Oconee, Richland, Horry, and Greenville counties. The applicant’s plan shows a five-component program that includes peer support, harm reduction, transportation needs, MAT scholarships, and a soft re-entry program. The Board added this application to the favorable group.
5. **Prisma Health Midlands.** A continuation application servicing the Greenville, Richland, Spartanburg, Laurens, Kershaw, and Abbeville areas. The program is through the hospital and is centered around a bridge clinic program which gives patients access to critical programs once discharged, along with warm hand-offs. The number of patients served is 131 patients which is 80-90% of their goal, with indications that the goal would be reached before the end of their term. This a successful program with met goals and awarded funds spent as promised. Ms. Helou-Allen added that this applicant has exceptional outcome reporting and extends into counties that are missing robust services. The Board discussed severing the Courage Center contract because it is located mostly in the low country and the service area for this application is a different area, and because the Courage Center already has other applications before the Board. The Board added this application to the favorable group.
6. **South Carolina Harm Reduction Coalition.** A new application for harm reduction standardization, which will be a first for South Carolina, following the example of some other states. This coalition began in 2018 and has a long history of training professionals. The Board added this application to the favorable group.
7. **Prisma Health Upstate.** A new application for expanding the coverage area for the already funded Pre-Hospital MAT in South Carolina Endeavor (PREMISCE) pilot program, which will benefit the whole Prisma hospital system across the state. The Board added this application to the favorable group.
8. **Little River Medical Center.** A new application in Horry County. This applicant has a long history of having peers in their emergency department as just the second medical center in the state to provide this service. Their data indicated how hard they were hit during the pandemic. This application requests continuation of naloxone in the Emergency Room, peer support, encouraging people to do long-term injectables (LTI), and training healthcare professionals. They want to expand on their current program of naloxone and MOUD services. The goal is to impact 130 people and to have 90 people on MOUD when leaving the emergency department and have the support of MUSC. The application used good data, the goals are SMART, and the budget is reasonable, appropriate, and very detailed. Chair Bedingfield said that they are engaged with several community partners, implementing services that go beyond expansion of services. The Board added this application to the favorable group.
9. **South Carolina Department of Public Health.** This is a new application. They are distributing naloxone out of their clinics, the cost is reasonable, their implementation plan and SMART goals all seem appropriate to the strategy, communication efforts and data collection also seem appropriate to the large project working through barriers to evaluate the success of the project, they have great experience and credentials, etc., and they have a Letter of Commitment. The Board added this application to the favorable group.
10. **York County All on Board Coalition.** A continuation application for an education campaign specifically aimed at people that are 10-24 years of age pertaining to opioid impacts, naloxone, and Good Samaritan laws. This application outlines the impact of opioids in their community, with the first year of funding having 8,749 impacted members of the community. They outline one clear goal and six objectives and have shown some partnerships along with impact from funds showing decrease in overdose fatality in the first half of the year. The Board added this application to the favorable group.
11. **The Courage Center.** A continuation application to expand the warm hand-off service area. According to the applicant they are the only recovery community organization with a physical location in Orangeburg. They had some issues with a late start with their media campaign but got a contract in April and experienced challenges with hiring staff. This applicant has strong met objectives and strong letters from both MUSC Children’s Health and Alcohol and Drug Abuse in that community but do have some severable items regarding their expenses that could be covered outside of the grant. Their impact and success information shows 67 treated individuals, and 120 units of naloxone distributed to 93 individuals. The Board added this application to the favorable group.
12. **Clinton Comprehensive Treatment Centers.** A new application requesting to expand MAT and warm hand-off services in Clinton and Laurens County with plans to serve an additional 40 patients that are uninsured or underinsured in a newly established treatment center. While this is a relatively new program, they are part of the larger Acadia healthcare program which is a national organization, and Letters of Commitment were included. The Board discussed the bundle daily rate for 40 patients which amounts to $4,745 each, whether this cost is reasonable or excessive, whether the mentioned medication was injectables, and the daily cost for methadone. The MAT services are for uninsured or underinsured patients to cover necessary medications and related treatment expenses, including the provider visit and screening, medication, and drug screens. The Board added this application to the favorable group.
13. **Challenges, Inc.** A new application requesting needle exchange and naloxone in the upstate region. Their data is outdated, and Staff told the board that on the DAODAS website under DPH, the most recent information is from 2022, so they were working with this data. Chair Bedingfield said that the narrative was complete and detailed, the budget appeared appropriate, and this is a well-qualified organization of experienced people with a tight implementation plan, and Mr. Donaldson noted that they had unallowable expenses in their budget. Although this is a new application, this applicant was funded in the last Greenville County GPS award, a fact that was not disclosed in this application. The Board added this application to the favorable group.

Mr. Chappell requested a total of all applications in the favorable group thus far, and Attorney Libet responded the total is currently $4.1 million. The Board continued with application review.

1. **South Carolina Office of Substance Use Services (“OSUS”) - Center of Excellence in Addiction (formerly South Carolina Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services).** A continuation application and the presentation given today by OSUS outlined what is in this application including a plan to work with local governments across the state, the ECHO program, etc. There are unallowable fringe benefits in the salaries with one of the medical groups which could exceed the cap. Chair Bedingfield said the Board will discuss in October how to move forward with this relationship with the Center of Excellence. The Board added this application to the favorable group.
2. **Just Say Something.** This is a continuation application. Ms. Helou-Allen recused herself from the discussion. Mr. Chappell said the applicant is focusing on 9-10 counties and has 10 different core basic strategies with SMART goals which includes using lockable vials as a deterrent. Vice Chair Bussells stated some points were deducted because of their statement of need and goals, and it was suggested that since this applicant has been doing this work for a while, they could show how they are using the data for continuous improvement and measuring the impact of their work. The Board was unclear on whether this applicant applied for GPS funds, and after discussion determined that they did not apply for GPS funds in Greenville County. Mr. Chappell stated that 65% of their budget is going to consulting firms and expressed concern about other applications applying for funds to then use on contracted work. The Board added this application to the favorable group.
3. **Dottie’s Specialty Pharmacy.** A continuation application requesting to expand efforts to administer long acting injectables at the pharmacy. Chair Bedingfield said that he felt this applicant showed good data, reasonable goals, and a solid data collection plan with strong experience. The cost was reasonable, and the application was well-written and met the abatement strategies. Mr. Donaldson said that although they used outdated data, progress from year one shows the initiative is a promising practice, the continuation of expansion of current efforts is only limited by a clear sustainability plan, the strategy does show how pharmacies are vital to building capacity, there are letters of collaboration which strengthen the application, and the team involved is qualified, however, their sustainability is questionable. The cost for injectables exceeds the Medicaid rates with their naloxone cost about $16 higher than other places, but in-kind contribution was disclosed. Chair Bedingfield moved to add this application to the favorable group. The Board added this application to the favorable group.

Board discussion that it had discussed all applications that were scored above 40. The applications in the favorable group total just under $7 million which is just under the $7.5 million target set by the Board, although the Board has discretion to award above this amount. Chair Bedingfield said that the Board needs to first review the remaining continuation application.

1. **Goldfinch Health.** A continuation application to develop and implement a program to reduce the prescriptions of opioids in the hospitals. with the applicant provided information to demonstrate the need but has had limited success getting into hospitals, finding success in Spartanburg and serving 8 patients. Their update mentions a commitment from Midlands Orthopedics, with no written MOUs nor commitment from the hospitals to take on this program. The original plan was to serve 500 patients, however in a large hospital system this presented an issue of determining who receives help, so this new application includes a requested increase of up 1,500 patients and an increase in amount requested. Board discussion about increasing the amount without a formal letter of commitment. A suggestion was made for the Board to not ask for the money back from the 1st grant cycle so the applicant can continue the program and establish the relationship since the hospital could not implement this program in time to spend all of the funds. The original grant was in the amount of $364,450 and they only spent roughly $79,162. Attorney Libet suggested the Board could earmark funds for this applicant and allow them to work with Staff to create an application that fits the earmarked funds. The Board discussed this idea and what the best course of action would be for funding this applicant. The Board added this application to the favorable group.
2. **Lutheran Family Services in the Carolinas.** A continuation application in the amount of $644,582. Board discussion about concerns with this application are less about program and more about the application itself, such as this applicant did not outline a month-to-month timeline, their goals are unclear, and their expansion into other counties raises concern about an application loophole wherein they could submit a continuation application rather than having to submit a new application. Their response regarding the question about criminal convictions was vague, and they responded to the question about bankruptcy and insolvency as not applicable. This application also discusses trying to combat homelessness which is tangential to opioid abatement but not an opioid-specific strategy. Ms. Helou-Allen asked about performance measures from the last two years of funding.

The applicant’s reported measures for the last year, 1st Quarter of year 2 funding, included 411 adult education participants, 599 adults connected to peer support, 1,640 people engaged in harm reduction outreach efforts, 256 distributed naloxone kits, and 872 distributed fentanyl test kits. The current request is for a 3rd round of funding. Vice Chair Bussells said she was hesitant about moving this application to the favorable group because this application is not as strong as their past applications. The Board did not add this application to a group.

1. **Self-Regional Healthcare.** This is a continuation application. Issues include a lack of clarity across the application, no Letters of Commitment, and their budget which includes salaries, carryover, interest, administrative, and other costs is unclear. Mr. Chappell asked if the wing of the hospital for OUD triage was built per their first application. Staff responded that the applicant was establishing a unit rather than building a new structure, and that the $1.5 million that was requested in their first application was to educate, hire, and develop protocols for personnel, establish partnerships, operationalize the unit, and begin implementation of outpatient services. Of the $1.5 million almost $800,000 of their first application went to salary, no construction of a new structure, and establishment of a unit within the hospital system. The Board discussed this applicant’s budget, remaining funds, lack of reported outcomes from the first year, and the reasons they need continued funds including keeping staff hired during the late start. Mr. Donaldson shared the applicant’s explanation regarding program delays caused by Hurricane Helene and the storm’s impact on their building. The applicant informed SCORF Staff that they needed to continue their plan in a different building. The Board added this application to the favorable group.

Chair Bedingfield requested a total amount for the applications in the favorable group, not including Lutheran Services. The total amount is$8.75 million, counting the $364,000 for Goldfinch. The Board discussed whether to review applications that scored higher than some of the continuation applications, and the decided that it already brought forth the top scoring applications.

1. **Prisma Health- Midlands.** This is a continuation application in the amount of $360,000. Ms. Helou-Allen recommended severing the $50,000 request for the Courage Center and asked whether this request is duplication because they already put forth a separate application for a peer support specialist that the Board added to the favorable group. The Board discussed this and determined the applicant needs to clarify whether this request is a duplication before severing the request.

Motion by Chair Bedingfield to approve this application subject to Staff clarifying with this applicant that the Courage Center request is not a duplication of effort, seconded by Mr. Mixon, m/c unanimous.

Note: The Board did not group this application as favorable or unfavorable and simply voted on it before reviewing the previously discussed and grouped applications.

The Board held a review and motion for each of the DSF applications in the favorable group.

1. **Clemson Zinzow.** Recusal by Mr. Chappell. Mr. Donaldson said this is a good research continuation application dealing with trauma and substance abuse in the community, the grantee did exactly what she said she was going to do in Year 1, the goals from Year 1 to Year 2 were met, and it is a wonderful application. Motion to approve this application by Mr. Mixon and seconded by Ms. Helou-Allen, m/c unanimous.
2. **Just Say Something.** Recusal by Ms. Helou-Allen. Mr. Chappell said this application is primarily focused in Anderson, Berkeley, Charleston, Greenville, Florence counties for expansion of harm reduction kits for warm hand-off, a media campaign, and RISE Prevention. They showed very strong partnerships, and their goals were outlined in SMART format. Sixty-five percent (65%) of their budget is going to pay consulting firms. They provided a detailed budget narrative, breakdown, and explanation. Motion to approve this application by Mr. Donaldson and seconded by Ms. Montgomery, m/c unanimous.
3. **Goldfinch Health.** Board discussion that Staff ask this applicant for a revised application to clarify what is needed per the Board’s request. The Board does not have clarity regarding where the money will be spent, and discussion focused on whether to leave their current funds rather than requiring a return of unspent funds or ask them to submit a request in a new application. This group will need to submit a new application for the continuation of their current program, plus Letters of Commitment from any hospitals for which they plan to expand to expeditiously, adding to their one letter from Midlands Orthopedic. The Board decided to put this application on hold pending clarification from this group.
4. **Courage Center Orangeburg.** Mr. Mixon said this is a good application with good partnerships and numbers and is desperately needed in the Orangeburg community. Motion to approve this application by Mr. Donaldson and seconded by Ms. Helou-Allen, m/c unanimous.
5. **Dottie’s Pharmacy.** Mr. Donaldson said that this is a pharmacy providing Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT), requesting to expand their current efforts to more counties. They are seeking funds to support statewide expansion with targeted impact in surrounding counties including Berkeley, Charleston, Dorchester, Aiken, Lexington, and Richland. They are providing MAT and injectables in the pharmacies, at a higher cost than Medicaid reimbursement rates, but with a very qualified team and expansion team. They do have Letters of Commitment, current data, and a promising initiative. Motion to approve this application by Chair Bedingfield and seconded by Mr. Mixon, m/c unanimous.
6. **York County All on Board.** Mr. Chappell said that this applicant outlines opioid use statistics and wants to educate people aged 10-24 yrs. about the impact of opioids, naloxone, and Good Samaritan laws. They have impacted 8,749 community members with previous funding, and have outlined one goal and six objectives. Vice Chair Bussells likes that the application includes information about donated resources, volunteer contributions, broad ideas about other ways to continue the program, and has a modest budget. Motion to approve this application by Vice Chair Bussells and seconded by Mr. Chappell, m/c unanimous.
7. **OSUS - South Carolina Office of Substance Use Services- Center of Excellence in Addiction (formerly** **DAODAS- South Carolina Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services- Center of Excellence in Addiction).** There is some concern about sustainability going forward if the SCORF Board is expected to continue funding. The Board would like to see an increase in outreach numbers with more proactivity in contacting the counties. Mr. Chappell said that at the October Board retreat he would like to discuss options for public universities to work with this Center so that 75% of their budget is not going to pay the universities. Motion by Mr. Donaldson to approve this application, adjusting the fringe and ensuring that future conversations at the Board retreat and with the Center of Excellence continue, seconded by Chair Bedingfield, m/c unanimous.
8. **Self-Regional Healthcare.** Board discussion that there is value for rural communities to get people out of the ER who are not in need of ER services. Board concerns about productivity in the first year; but since this was due to hurricane-related issues, the Board would like to see more outcomes next year. Mr. Donaldson stated the budget needs to be clearer to include verification of fringe rate, carryover/unspent funds, and interest from year one. Motion by Chair Bedingfield to approve this application, pending verification of this applicant’s fringe rates to ensure they meet the Board’s standard, and delineate their carryover from year one, seconded by Mr. Chappell, one nay from Mr. Donaldson, m/c application approved.
9. **Challenges, Inc.** Mr. Donaldson said that their data regarding harm reduction and public health initiatives was good, and they also explained why this program was needed in the Anderson and Spartanburg areas. This is a program for needle exchange and naloxone distribution in the upstate area Ms. Helou-Allen asked whether this applicant already received funding from the previous GPS grant cycle in Greenville County for harm reduction. The Board reviewed the Greenville GPS application and determined that Challenges, Inc. was a GPS award recipient for harm reduction in Greenville County. The Board discussed clarifying with this applicant whether this DSF application is for a separate project from the Greenville County GPS award to avoid duplication of efforts, the request for rent costs, and whether renting a space vs. leasing storage space is allowable. Attorney Libet told the Board that he recommended to first verify with this applicant that they are not duplicating an effort, and to be sure that the Board has severability to remove the request for rent. This application was put on hold, pending answers to those questions from this applicant.

The Board revisited this application with Staff informing the Board that the DSF application is not duplicative. The Greenville County GPS application is for services all in Greenville County with staff in this county, while the Challenges DSF application is a different staff for expansion of services into Spartanburg and Anderson counties, the storage of their mobile unit and to provide some office-based services within Greenville County. The Board discussed allowable rent expenditures and whether service provisions are administrative, determining that there was no reason to delineate any aspect of this application. The Board decided that rent for a storage unit for mobile services, with offices attached that will be used for clinical purposes for expansion of services to other counties, is allowable. Motion to approve this application by Chair Bedingfield and seconded by Mr. Mixon, m/c unanimous.

1. **Little River Medical Center.** This application is for naloxone in Emergency Rooms in Horry County. Motion to approve this application by Chair Bedingfield and seconded by Mr. Mixon, m/c unanimous.
2. **South Carolina Department of Public Health.** This application is to continue naloxone distribution out of the health departments. The application was a well-written application and similar to their past program that distributed naloxone to counties. Motion to approve this application by Mr. Mixon and seconded by Chair Bedingfield, m/c unanimous.
3. **Crossroads Treatment Center.** This application focuses heavily on peer support and treatment, targeting Charleston, Darlington, Florence, Oconee, Horry, and Greenville counties. Focus is peer support, harm reduction, transportation, a MAT scholarship fund, and a software entry program. Mr. Chappell asked whether the Board is comfortable paying for the work of a for-profit company and questioned the 10% indirect cost line item in the budget. The Board discussed the issue with for-profit companies and has not previously taken a position on this issue. Motion to approve this application subject to a 5% reduction in the administrative cost by Mr. Chappell and seconded by Vice Chair Bussells, m/c unanimous.
4. **Spartanburg Regional Healthcare System.** The overall goal of this program is to reduce and monitor the number of opioids leaving the hospital. The area of impact for this application is Spartanburg,Cherokee, and Union counties with the hospital system performing 84% of inpatient observation in those three counties. The application and budget were well done, and the opioid-related impact was outlined. Motion to approve this application by Vice Chair Bussells and seconded by Ms. Montgomery, m/c unanimous.
5. **Clinton Comprehensive Treatment Centers.** This is a clinic that proposes to service 40 additional people who are underserved or underinsured. The cost is reasonable for a semi bundle rate for MAT services for these additional 40 patients, and they have an existing SOR grant from OSUS (formerly DAODAS) for FDA approved medication. The grant amount was not specified, but Staff clarified that DAODAS typically covers a certain number of patients per year. The Board discussed whether to put this application on hold pending more information about how much the SOR grant covers. Motion to approve this application by Mr. Mixon and seconded by Ms. Helou-Allen, m/c unanimous.

The Board considered some applications that scored higher than the lowest scored favorable application but had not yet been discussed. The Board noted a low amount of Pee Dee and Low Country applications were submitted.

1. **Prisma Health Upstate.** This application is to expand the PREMISCE program to treat patients outside of the hospital once they are discharged. Ms. Helou-Allen said that they have great letters of commitment, and it was a very good application with a clean budget. Motion to approve this application by Chair Bedingfield and seconded by Ms. Helou-Allen, m/c unanimous.
2. **South Carolina Harm Reduction Coalition.** This application is for a harm reduction certification program, and Mr. Mixon added that this is a much needed program. Motion to approve this application by Ms. Helou-Allen and seconded by Chair Bedingfield, m/c unanimous.
3. **Lutheran Family Services of the Carolinas.** The Board determined that this application was not as strong as previous applications. This would be the third year of funding, and the Board discussed wanting to see sustainability plans from applicants such as this that have already been funded by SCORF. Motion to deny this application by Mr. Chappell and seconded by Vice Chair Bussells, one opposed from Chair Bedingfield, m/c and application was denied.

The Board discussed other applications with higher scores than the lowest scored favorable application that could be taken up by the Board at this time: Clemson University Stover, FAVOR Upstate, Rock Hill Treatment Specialists, Greenville Treatment Specialists, LRADAC, Spartanburg Academic Movement, and a Second Chance Resource Center Network United. Mr. Mixon said that the team rankings are more important than the score number. The Board determined that they were satisfied with the applications that were voted on as favorable today. The Board approved a little less than $8.4 million and Goldfinch could increase that to $8.7 million.

Vice Chair Bussells said that in October the Board can discuss the issue of SCORF becoming the fallback for funding of things that were previously funded by OSUS (formerly DAODAS). Vice Chair Bussells suggested outreach and technical assistance to the Pee Dee along with other areas that may need support since those areas may not have grant writers to assist them in applying for SCORF funds. The Board will also discuss the Center for Excellence in Addiction and the possibility of moving toward a more contractual relationship to better direct certain services.

Judge Williams told the Board that the first statewide drug court will be held on Monday, thanks to Chief Justice Kittredge. Judge Williams reported he will inquire who is providing treatment services and in what locations.

There was no other business that the Board wished to discuss at this time.

The meeting adjourned at 3:28 PM.