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Mary Ann Krauss introduced **Dr. Patrick Maynard**, CEO, Boundless. Boundless' roots are from the foundation of Franklin County Residential Services in 1980. Residential Services was, in turn, a component of Franklin County Developmental Disabilities. Boundless is the largest provider of services to people with special needs in Ohio. The client base has grown from a very focused base in Franklin County to services for clients in over 50 Ohio counties.

We saw a slide presentation entitled "Building a Boundless Future".

Six years ago the organization had a budget of about \$25 million and a client list of 800 adults. Now, services are provided to 4,200 people in 57 counties and the budget just grew to \$100 million. This growth followed a review and discussion about the scope of services being provided at the time versus what services are actually needed in the community. Customers appreciated the existing services but called for a wider array. Developmental disabilities involve more than adults. It's more than residential services. It's more than just Franklin County. People with developmental disabilities can have more than just one issue. Someone could have a developmental disability and also a mental health issue, or a substance abuse disorder or perhaps

be homeless. Customers also asked about autism services for children. Dr. Maynard noted that these needs and questions are the drivers of the organization's growth.

One of the programs Boundless has is called a parent-directed program. Rather than rely on group homes for people with disabilities the program helps families manage the available services in their own homes. Families can control the destiny of their own children or other family member.

Boundless is located at the former Harding Hospital campus in Worthington. The site was acquired about four years ago. The site housed Step-By-Step Academy – an organization that served children with autism. They were on the brink of failure despite the excellent services they provided. Boundless, upon request, stepped in and acquired Step-By-Step. When that happened, Boundless acquired expertise in autism care. The acquisition also included about 50 acres of prime real estate in the middle of Worthington. After analyzing the situation and planning for several years the decision was made to sell two-thirds of the property to help finance future growth. National Church residences has stepped in to consider acquiring property to provide market rate apartments for senior citizens. Part of that arrangement might include units that will be designed to allow seniors to continue providing help to their family members with disabilities who have been reliant on them their entire lives. The Worthington City Schools have also expressed some interest in acquiring part of the property.

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OUR NEXT MEETING

NOVEMBER 14TH

Scioto CC/Zoom

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DR. PATRICK MAYNARD

CEO - BOUNDLESS

Another issue Dr. Maynard discussed was the status of healthcare provided to the developmentally disabled population. Thirty eight cents of every dollar spent through Medicare and Medicaid goes to this population. Yet, they live an average of 17 years less than the average American; they are hospitalized at two to three times the rate of others and they re prescribed pharmaceuticals at seven to ten times the rate of the average person. These facts point to obvious inefficiencies or deficiencies in the existing healthcare system for this population.

In response, Boundless searched for, and found, a solution. They found a vehicle, a Federally Qualified Healthcare Center (FQHC) which is designed to serve underserved populations that are at risk. An FQHC provides improved rates for healthcare reimbursement that are substantially better than normal government-sponsored medical insurance programs. The FQHC will not only cover medical costs but may well provide a small margin to Boundless. This will enable the organization to begin providing an array of medical services – including a pharmacy and dental services to its clients.

The FQHC had a soft opening recently with three practice rooms open for client healthcare services. By next June the plan is to have a facility with 17 practice rooms available.

To accommodate the planned growth Boundless plans to repurpose some existing buildings on the campus and build a new center for education and community gatherings. One of the facilities that will be renovated will serve about 100 children with autism who are currently in a building next to the railroad tracks on the east edge of the property. Noise from the railroad is disruptive and difficult to deal with for the clients. This is an unacceptable situation that will be addressed when the renovated facility becomes available.

Dr. Maynard noted that the COVID pandemic has revealed the value of online consultation and service provision and he believes that such technology will become a regular part of their service delivery in the future.

Boundless will be embarking on its first-ever capital campaign which will seek \$10 million over five years to help defray capital costs estimated to be \$30 million to fully implement its plans at the Worthington campus.

The two most pressing needs at Boundless are money and people.

THE MEETING



President **Joe Valentino** asked **Tom Davis** to offer the invocation and lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ted Foster asked **Mary Ann Krauss** to introduce her guests **Sue Ralph** and **Jodi Bopp**. **John Trapp** introduced his guest **Luke Allen**.

Joe announced the Board candidates for the upcoming annual meeting of the club on December 14. Nominees are **Chris Guglielmi**, **Sandra Cotter**, **Jack Cotter**, **Ua Chamberlain** and **Brent Jackson**. Our nominee to enter the leadership chairs as club Secretary is **Angela Lanctot**.

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:



Phil Glandon reminded us about the December 14 Holiday Party at Scioto Country Club. It is not too late to register. Sign-up sheets were on then tables and **Anne Croskey's** online invitation is still out there waiting for your reply. Do not, however, reply in both places.

Dave Dewey thanked club member for their support of the membership drive for the 125 Club. Checks have been deposited. There will be another deposit made on December 15 so it is not too late to contribute to this important effort.

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THE HOLIDAY PARTY IS BACK!

Mark your calendar for Tuesday, December 14th from 5:30PM to 7:30PM for the Rotary Holiday Party at Scioto Country Club. After skipping last year due to Covid, we are getting back together again for holiday fun, food, drinks, and conversation. Come and enjoy time with your fellow Rotarians and their significant others. The club is subsidizing the cost so it will only be \$28/Rotarian and \$20/significant other. President **Joe Valentino** believes fellowship is an important part of the Rotary experience and he is hoping that you all will join in the fun. Look for the evite in your inbox and sign-up as soon as possible to help us plan!

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