

**SAGINAW COUNTY COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH AUTHORITY
REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES
MAY 9, 2022 – 5:15 PM
ROOM 190/191**

PRESENT: Cym Winiecke, Mike Cierzniewski, Andrea Schrems, Steve Fresorger, Tracey Raquepaw, Jill Armentrout, Lisa Coney, Deb Nagel, Joan Williams, Jane Sills

ABSENT: Robert Woods, John Pugh

GUESTS: Paul Elam-MPHI

STAFF: Sandra Lindsey, Ryan Mulder

I. CALL TO ORDER

Tracey Raquepaw, Chair called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m. A quorum was established, and verification of posting was determined.

II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public comment.

III. RECOGNITION OF OUTGOING SCCMHA BOARD MEMBER – LEOLA WILSON

Unfortunately, Leola was unable to attend tonight's meeting. Ryan will reach out to Leola in a few weeks again to see if she would be willing to attend the May 9 Board meeting.

IV. SCCMHA ORGANIZATIONAL DIVERSITY, EQUITY & INCLUSION (DEI) ASSESSMENT REPORT

Sandra Lindsey introduced Paul Elam, PHD and introduced the SCCMHA DEI Climate Assessment and DEI Plan Development Teams. Dr. Elam presented the SCCMHA DEI Assessment Recommendations Report to the SCCMHA Board of Directors. 1 hour of Training Credit will be given to members present. The following was noted:

- Key Events Leading to SCCMHA Organizational DEI Assessment
- Opportunities to Improve DEI Identified Employees
- Working Draft: 3 Year Recommendations for Action
- Return for another update to the Board on DEI in approximately 6 months
- A few other efforts in this space going on in Saginaw Community (Women of Colors, MHEF Grant on BH Disparities for Saginaw African-Americans & Saginaw Community Foundation grant from MHEF project around barriers to BH Treatment Access (MH & SUD, across all payers as well as uninsured)

V. APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

A. Board Meeting – April 11, 2022

Motion made by Lisa Coney and supported by Cym Winiecke to approve the April 11, 2022 SCCMHA Board Meeting minutes as amended. Motion carried.

VI. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Recipient Rights Committee – No Meeting

Robert Woods, Chair – Deb Nagel, Vice Chair

- B.** Governance Committee – April 21, 2022
Mike Cierzniewski, Chair – Jane Sills, Vice Chair
Reported by Mike Cierzniewski.

Motion made by Mike Cierzniewski and supported by Cym Winiecke to receive and file this report as written. Motion carried.

- C.** Ends Committee – April 25, 2022
Jill Armentrout, Chair – Tracey Raquepaw, Vice Chair
Reported by Jill Armentrout.

Motion made by Jill Armentrout and supported by Jane Sills to receive and file this report as written. Motion carried.

- D.** Executive Limitations – April 27, 2022
Andrea Schrems, Chair – Robert Woods, Vice Chair
Reported by Andrea Schrems.

Motion made by Andrea Schrems and supported by Deb Nagel to receive and file this report as written. Motion carried.

VII. CEO REPORT

- **MICAL Crisis and Text Line Staff Training Underway**
Region 5 (MSHN) all 12 CMHSP agency staff members are going through training in preparation for the go live with MiCAL (new platform and live crisis and text lines). Common Ground is the contractor selected by MDHHS. Each PIHP region is systematically being trained on how this new MDHHS platform will work going forward, which will also connect upstream to the new federal 9-8-8 exchange mental / behavioral health and Suicide Prevention Life Line. Stay tuned for additional info once we are fully online.
- **SCCMHA Planning for Relaxing COVID Safety Measures**
Meeting tomorrow of our Operations Team and a part of this time will be to discuss potentially relaxing some measures (increasing group rooms capacity, masking optional except staff working in close proximity in clinical spaces or at the request of consumers at all office and home-based appointments).
- **SCCMHA Received CCBHC-D Full Certification**
See page 114 in tonight's packet that notes SCCMHA being fully certified for CCBHC. Therefore, SCCMHA will be able to continue to draw down prospective payment for billable CCBHC codes.
- **SCCMHA Leading State Workgroup on State Facility Billing Challenges**
Several years back (about 5 years) the mechanics of MDHHS billing of CMHSPs for consumers in State Psychiatric Hospitals changed from counties paying a set daily rate unique to the facility to one where billing was consumer specific including the cost of physical health care procedures. The obligation of 10% of the cost of care remained, but the nature of the costs and the way CMHSPs were billed for each

consumer changed dramatically. The problems are the inability to reconcile charges because of the lack of invoice detail and billings that are often 9 months to a year after the month of service. Secondly the newer billing process is much less predictable and cost risk is no longer spread across all patients at a facility which was the case in the original arrangement. Sandy began calling and writing to MDHHS with billing questions and concerns in the fall of 2018. Once pandemic hit it went on the back burner, but now this subject and the need for a remedy is being supported by all CMHSPs and through CMHAM we are organizing collective advocacy to seek a remedy from MDHHS.

- **Update on Contracted Network Staffing Stabilization Applications**

MSHN has budget favorability (as does SCCMHA) so a process for contracted providers to apply for additional funding and for CMHSPs to push out stabilization funding commenced this month. Below are a listing of board op / network amounts of funding to support both staff attraction to fill vacancies and retention payments to hold onto employed staff for FY 2022:

- \$215,558= March YTD unusual expenditure reporting by network
- \$200,000= Apr-Sept Estimated unusual expenditure reporting
- \$74,454= FY22 Unique provider stabilization payment made based on regional plan – (Hope Network combined programs)
- \$4,433,936= MSHN Staffing Crisis Provider Stabilization applications (27 applications)
- \$169,413= 4/29/22 SCCMHA employee stabilization special payroll run
- \$169,413= 2nd SCCMHA employee stabilization special payroll run scheduled for Aug/Sept 2022
- **\$5,262,774 Total Projected Stabilization Funding**

- **CMHAM Conference is coming up in Traverse City**

If interested, please reach out to Ryan for him to get you hotel / registered for conference.

- **CMHAM Treasurer Office**

County Commissioners surrounding Traverse City voted last week to dissolve the CMH Authority (Northern Lake CMH). They apparently are not providing adequate care to persons served in geographic region.

- **Bridging Community Policing and Mental Health Access**

Quick resource available in every patrol car in Saginaw County. Designed by SCCMHA and paid for by Michigan State Police. (See neon green, 2-sided resource pads.)

- **NAACP BH Meeting**

Sandy did participate in this Facebook live event but there were technical difficulties, and it did not go live on Facebook. The event however was recorded and will be made available on their social media site.

Motion made by Cym Winiecke and supported by Mike Cierzniewski to receive & file this report as written. Motion carried.

VIII. BOARD ACTION

A. SCCMHA DEI Organizational Climate Assessment (Receive & File)

Motion was made by Deb Nagel and supported by Joan Williams to receive and file Paul's DEI Organizational Climate Assessment. Motion carried.

IX. BOARD INFORMATION

A. CMHA Weekly Update – April 2022 links: <https://cmham.org/resources/weekly-update/>

B. SCCMHA Certified as a Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic (CCBHC)

C. MDHHS memo re: MiCAL and PIHP/CMHSP Care Coordination Requirements

X. MEDIA / PUBLICATIONS

A. President Biden's Proclamation on May as National Mental Health Awareness Month

XI. OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mike Cierzniewski supported by Cym Winiecke to adjourn this meeting at 6:32 pm. Motion carried.

Minutes prepared by:
Ryan Mulder
Executive Assistant to CEO