

LENAWEE COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING

Minutes
March 26, 2015

Present: J. Ackley; G. Adams; D. Bills; S. Clites; M. Jackson; E. Martinez; C. Smith; N. Smith; R. Tillotson; R. Wilson.
Absent: H. Keller; J. VanDoren
Staff: Andrews; Keener; Rawlings (minutes); Robb; Szewczuk
Public: A. Yates

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Bills called the meeting to order at 3:00pm.

PREVIOUS MINUTES

MOTION BY R. TILLOTSON to approve the previous minutes dated February 26, 2015.
SUPPORTED BY C. SMITH. MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS, REPORTS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Standing Committees

1. Consumer Action Committee

Athena Yates, Chairperson of this newly reformed committee, reported on the meeting on March 20th. A work plan is being worked on; the State Walk a Mile on May 6th and E-Race Stigma 5K run on May 17th are events being planned. **MOTION BY**

S. CLITES to approve \$1,000 to be used from Hendershot Fund, to cover the cost of T-shirts for the Walk a Mile. **SUPPORTED BY C. SMITH. MOTION CARRIED.**

2. Performance Improvement

There was no Performance Improvement Committee Meeting in March.

3. Facilities Committee

There was no Facilities Committee Meeting in March.

4. Personnel Committee

There was no Personnel Committee Meeting in March.

5. Operations and Budget

Bills reported on Operations & Budget Committee which met on March 18th. The lease at Oakwood is due for renewal in April; the current rate is \$1452.43 per month. **MOTION BY N. SMITH** to approve Oakwood lease renewal. **SUPPORTED BY S. CLITES. MOTION CARRIED.** The new Family Medical Center lease is for three years at \$2900 per month. **MOTION BY N. SMITH** to approve FMC 3 year lease. **SUPPORTED BY J. ACKLEY. MOTION CARRIED.** Sharon Robb advised the committee that she will be submitting a new RFP to lawn care providers in the community, as the current provider we use to take care of our residential properties cannot continue.

Service Inquiry – there were 104 mental health inquiries for February, compared to 138 in January. 65 of those were scheduled for an intake. 64% Medicaid, 25% Healthy Michigan, 4% MI Child, 6% GF. 58 assessments were completed, 10 were found ineligible – 48 were brought in and are receiving services. We are doing well getting consumers who come in with no insurance onto Medicaid or Healthy Michigan. There are currently 5013 Lenawee residents enrolled in Healthy Michigan. This number is a lot more than expected, and proves that the population of Lenawee (99,000) is generally financially depressed. February saw 37 substance use inquiries, 6 were referred out and 1 denied as ineligible, serving 25 people with SUD.

State Institution – There are 2 people at Kalamazoo, with one more at the Forensic Center. We are under budget on this line, as we had budgeted for 4 people per month for the year.

Inpatient Hospitalizations – 27 people were admitted to the hospital, 4 of those were children. 48% Medicaid, 52% Healthy Michigan. 44% had co-occurring disorders and 48% were previously unknown to us. We continue to be under budget. 3 people reported having been prescribed Suboxone. This is unusual as doctors in our area do not prescribe it. It is a medication assisted treatment, similar to methadone, intended to accompany engagement in other treatment.

Finance Report – 42% of the way through the year, 37% expenditure and revenue. Clinical service contracts are under budget. Psych Systems provide autism

assessments, and we are seeing more people coming in. Michigan Agency with Choice/GT Financial provide CLS and Respite services. We have been advised by the State that we will be receiving a small supplemental GF allocation, which is determined by previous allocations, so it will not be very much. We continue to have enough local dollars to offset the deficit related to general fund. We show being able to contribute \$64,000 to the fund balance.

Cash Balance – Both wealth management investment accounts showed a loss in market value.

MOTION BY R. TILLOTSON to accept the Finance Reports. **SUPPORTED BY M. JACKSON. MOTION CARRIED.**

6. Recipient Rights Advisory Committee

Ackley reported on Recipient Rights Advisory Committee which met on March 17th. Katie Snay, the Recipient Rights Officer, is moving to Washtenaw to be the Fair Hearings Officer. First quarter reports were reviewed. There is nothing out of the ordinary.

7. Retirement Committee

There was no Retirement Committee Meeting in March.

8. By-Laws

There was no By-Laws Committee Meeting in March.

B. Ad Hoc Committees:

N. Smith reported that the Nominating Committee met by telephone conference. The recommendation is to continue with the present slate of officers:

Deb Bills – Chairperson

Judy Ackley – Vice Chairperson

Robert Wilson – Secretary

MOTION BY N. SMITH to reappoint the current officers. **SUPPORTED BY R. TILLOTSON. MOTION CARRIED.** It should be noted that D. Bills would like to give someone else the opportunity to be Chairperson next year.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

1. Recipient Rights Office. Representatives from Washtenaw County have assured the CMHPSM that the Rights Office will continue to be administered by the County, with no change in cost or coverage.
2. Strategic Planning. A date has been set – May 1st, at the Weber Center. Mary O'Hare has agreed to facilitate. Sandy Keener is meeting Mary next week to discuss needs, agenda etc. Mary may need to meet with board members ahead of time for their feedback.

3. Regional Board special meeting. Tom Renwick, from the State will be addressing a special Regional Board meeting tonight, to discuss the transition of WCHO to the County. Questions have been prepared – board members are invited to attend.
4. Joint Commission. We expect an accreditation visit any time before May.
5. New Recipient Rights Officer. Shane Ray and Katie Snay interviewed several candidates; Sandy Keener met them for a second interview. Rosalyn Green has been offered the position, and accepted. She is an attorney from Macomb Township, where she has been a volunteer legal aid, and has worked for Blue Cross/Blue Shield in their Grievance & Appeals Department.
6. New Employee Handbook. Our attorney has recommended that all Personnel Policies be rescinded, to be replaced by the new Employee Handbook. Recommendations for additions and revisions are being included, and will be brought back to Personnel Committee for final approval.
7. Addiction Summit Update. Kathryn Szewczuk reported that the Summit on March 12th at Adrian High School Performing Arts Center was attended by approximately 150. Presentations were enjoyed and the audience was engaged. Feedback has been very positive. Although the segment that included local treatment and support had to be skipped due to time constraints, it is hoped to include this in another event. An evening of comedy with Mark Lundholm was also very well received. He used humor to deliver a serious message. 300 people attended the evening event. Commissioner Smith added that it was evident that the community needs to work together to combat prescription drug abuse, to enable us to get ahead of the very serious consequences of heroin overdoses.
8. Merger – DHS & DCH. Communication from the state has been non-existent. However, an organization chart has been received from the Board Association, but there is little detail. The merger will be effective April 10th.
9. Other. Monroe CMH is 100% compliant on their Recipient Rights audit, which makes the entire CMHPSM a model for the state.

REPORT FROM BOARD CHAIR

Howard Keller Retirement. A collection is underway for a presentation at April's Board Meeting. There will also be a proclamation from the County Commission. A Public Notice regarding an opening on the Board will run through April. There has been one letter of interest so far.

REPORT FROM REGIONAL BOARD

Commissioner Tillotson reported on the plan presented to the Board. An update on progress has been requested every month. The \$5m deficit is very troubling as the affiliate partners share in any surplus, and deficit – there is a need to stress responsibility, culpability, obtain assurances there will be no recurrence and spending has been halted. The County Commission will have to monitor closely.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Greg Adams reminded the board that the E-Race Stigma 5K Race is only 7 weeks away.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 3:45pm.

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Robert Wilson

Date