



# Lenawee Community Mental Health Authority

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## Board Meeting Minutes

October 26, 2023

**Present:** A. Palmer; N. Eaton Gordon; J. Ackley; J Goetz; T. Kelly; N. Smith; R. Tillotson; H. Terrill

**Absent:** D. Stimpson; E. Starlin; N. Wilson; D. Reed

**Staff:** K. Szewczuk; J. Bradley; B. Briggs; H. Owen

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 3:02pm by Amy Palmer, Board Chair.

2. **PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**MOTION BY N. EATON GORDON** to approve previous minutes dated September 28, 2023.  
**SUPPORTED BY J. GOETZ. MOTION CARRIED.**

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

4. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

a. **Consumer Action Committee**

Committee is working on the 2024 Work Plan. There are a few people looking into filling the vacancies on the committee.

b. **Operations & Budget Committee**

i. **Contracts**

a. **Pathways Lease Renewal**

One year lease for the Pathways space. The cost is the same as last year.

**MOTION BY N. WILSON** to approve the lease renewal. **SUPPORTED BY T. KELLY. MOTION CARRIED**

**ii. Data Report**

Kathryn reported that in September we had 110 mental health inquiries. 22 were initially referred out, 4 declined. 84 intakes were scheduled, 4 declined or had no need. 62 initial assessments were completed with 12 found to be ineligible, 49 eligible and receiving services, and 1 declined services. 71% Medicaid, 24% Healthy Michigan, 4% (2) General Fund.

Substance use disorder inquiries in September totaled 46, 7 were referred out with benefits, 2 declined or had no need. 37 were authorized. 23 Healthy Michigan, 12 Medicaid, 2 block grant.

Inpatient Hospitalizations – there were a total of 27 admitted to hospital in September. 70% Medicaid, 30% Healthy Michigan. 41% had co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders. 59% were previously unknown to us. 4 reported the Family Medical Center as their primary health care provider, 13 with no primary healthcare provider. We were able to divert 6. 11 went in on petition. 0 no show for a follow up appointment.

**iii. Finance Report**

We are 100% through the fiscal year, at 83% spent, 17% under budget. We are under budget in all categories. At this time, we are showing being able to contribute around \$430,000 to the fund balance, an increase from August. Both investment accounts saw a decrease for the month of September, but an increase overall for the fiscal year. The report includes the Hendershot withdrawal for the FMC agreement. Just a reminder that the October financials won't be available until December.

**MOTION BY J. GOETZ** to approve the finance report and voucher lists.  
**SUPPORTED BY N. EATON GORDON. MOTION CARRIED**

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

- The State has chosen Lenawee County to participate in a listening session regarding aftercare services.
- The Department contacted Children's Program Directors in 4 counties where they plan to set up specialized foster homes- community reintegration homes. They chose not to include executive directors.
- Kathryn is working with CMHA President to address MDHHS regarding administration burden CMH's experience.
- The Department is moving forward with MichiCANS, there will be 4 pilots.
- Regional Board had a special meeting to address the deficit. The Region approved accepting the plan.
- Holly and Kathryn attended the Goodwill Honor's Night.
- We had the second of two All Staff meetings, it was well received by staff.
- Active Shooter Training was successful, "shooters" were not able to enter our offices.

- Meds Clinic Team won Trunk-or-Treat, which was held on Wednesday, October 25<sup>th</sup>.
- Judge has dismissed Show Cause hearing, and is requesting a meeting with jail, CMH, and our attorney.

**REPORT FROM BOARD CHAIR**

- Please call Dale Zorn’s office to ask him to support Parity.
- Please complete BoardWorks on the CMHAM website, Amy will send out the link to Board members.
- Board meeting dates for November and December- Board will meet on November 30<sup>th</sup> as usual, O&B will act on behalf of the Board in December on 20<sup>th</sup>.

**MOTION BY N. SMITH** to approve the adjusted meeting schedule. **SUPPORTED BY D. REED. MOTION CARRIED**

**REPORT FROM REGIONAL BOARD**

None

**BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

- Deidre discussed the Tribal and SUD presentations that she attended at the Fall Conference.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:58pm.

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D. Reed

Secretary

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Date