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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

June 25, 2026

Present: H. Terrill; E. Starlin; J. Goetz; J. Ackley; T. Kelly; N. Wilson; L. Pickles

Absent: D. Stimpson; N. Smith; N. Eaton Gordon; A. Palmer; R. Tillotson

Staff: K. Szewczuk; T. Good; B. Meads; H. Owen; N. Feller; J. Bradley

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm by Nic Wilson, Vice Chair.

2. PREVIOUS MINUTES

MOTION BY J. GOETZ to approve previous minutes dated May 28, 2026. **SUPPORTED BY L. PICKLES. MOTION CARRIED.**

3. AWARDS & PRESENTATIONS

- Amber Monahan – 20 year service award
- Holly Owen – 20 year service award

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

- None

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Consumer Action Committee**

CAC members will be volunteering at a booth at the county fair. Walk a Mile will be on September 23rd in Lansing.

- **Recipient Rights Advisory Committee**

- i. **Q2 FY 2026 Data**

Stephen Mitchell reported that in the 2nd quarter 2026 there were 15 complaints received which involved 21 allegations. 17 allegations were investigated with 8 allegations substantiated. 4 allegations were not investigated due to having no rights involved and being outside of the Rights Office jurisdiction. MDHHS is offering two virtual trainings for members of the Recipient Rights Advisory and Appeals Committee. Upcoming dates are July 8th and October 7th. LCMHA's Rights Office got a perfect score on their triannual Rights Assessment in February.

- **Operations and Budget**

- 1. **Contracts**

- **Trillium Behavioral Pathways, LLC**
 - **MOTION BY J GOETZ** to approve the contract with Trillium Behavioral Pathways, LLC. **SUPPORT BY T KELLY. MOTION CARRIED.**
 - **Comprehensive Speech & Therapy Center**
MOTION BY L PICKLES to approve the contract with Comprehensive Speech & Therapy Center. **SUPPORT H TERRILL. MOTION CARRIED.**

- 2. **MMRMA Renewal**

Due for renewal July 1, renewal is for 1 year. The premium increase is due to adding an additional vehicle and property value increase.

MOTION BY J. ACKLEY to approve the MMRMA Renewal Proposal. **SUPPORT J. GOETZ. MOTION CARRIED.**

- 3. **Policies**

- a. **Regional Policy #4545 Crisis Prevention and Safety Planning**

MOTION BY J GOETZ to approve Regional Policy #4545 Crisis Prevention and Safety Planning. **SUPPORT BY E STARLIN. MOTION CARRIED.**

- b. **Regional Policy #8003 Artificial and Augmented Intelligence**

MOTION BY L PICKLES to approve Regional Policy #8003 Artificial and Augmented Intelligence. **SUPPORT H TERRILL. MOTION CARRIED.**

- c. **RESCIND Policy #A-215 Utilization Management and Review**

- d. **Policy #4088 Utilization Management**

- e. **Policy #4303 Utilization Review**

The Utilization Management & Review policy will be separated into Utilization Management policy and Utilization Review policy.

MOTION BY T KELLY to rescind Policy #A-215 Utilization Management and Review and approve policies #4088 Utilization Management and #4303 Utilization Review. **SUPPORT BY J GOETZ. MOTION CARRIED.**

f. Policy #7707 Weapons on Lenawee Community Mental Health Authority (LCMHA) Premises and Programs

Updated language and grammar, no content changes.

MOTION BY T KELLY to approve Policy #7707 Weapons on Lenawee Community Mental Health Authority (LCMHA) Premises and Programs. **SUPPORT BY J GOETZ. MOTION CARRIED.**

g. Policy #0466 Cash Management for Grants and Contracts

Updated language and in the new format, no content changes.

MOTION BY L PICKLES to approve Policy #0466 Cash Management for Grants and Contracts. **SUPPORT T KELLY. MOTION CARRIED.**

4. Data Report

Kathryn reported that in May we had 79 mental health inquiries. 19 referred out, 59 intakes were scheduled, 1 declined. 55 initial assessments were completed with 7 found to be ineligible, 48 eligible and receiving services. 65% Medicaid, 29% Healthy Michigan, 6% (3) General Fund due to spenddown.

Substance use disorder inquiries in May totaled 50, including 1 youth, 3 were referred out: 1 had benefits, 1 had no need, 1 was not a Lenawee County Resident, 2 declined services. 45 were authorized. 30 Healthy Michigan, 8 Medicaid, 7 Block Grant.

Inpatient Hospitalizations – there were a total of 33 admitted to hospital in May. 58% Medicaid, 39% Healthy Michigan, 3% (1) General Fund. 58% had co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders. 36% were previously unknown to us. 7 reported the Family Medical Center as their primary health care provider, 12 with no primary healthcare provider. We were able to divert 6. 1 went to crisis residential, 1 was placed in partial hospitalization.

5. Compliance Audit

Taylor Good review the FY25 Compliance Audit. There were no examinations adjustments, and no comments or recommendations.

MOTION BY J GOETZ to accept the audit report. **SUPPORT BY T KELLY. MOTION CARRIED.**

6. Finance Report

We are 58% through the fiscal year, at 52% spent, about 56% under budget. We are still seeing the jump in State-Inpatient Local Share due to the Department's billing process. At this time, we are showing being able to contribute around \$676,000 to the fund balance. General Fund investment and Hendershot both saw an increase.

MOTION BY L PICKLES to approve the finance report and accounts payable report. **SUPPORTED BY J GOETZ. MOTION CARRIED.**

6. REPORT FROM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

- Preparing for bill HR1 and the effects on Healthy Michigan. Work requirements are 80 hours per month, there will be exemptions, we are waiting to learn specifics. The renewal will be moved to every 6 months, which will be an issue for many consumers. Non-citizens will likely only have access to emergency care. This could affect our budget as we are funding by the amount of covered lives.
- On June 18th, the Department of Justice released an opinion regarding interpretation of several disability laws including: Title II of ADA, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act and the Supreme Court decision Olmstead vs L.C. (1999). They stated in the opinion that Congress did not impose an integration mandate on state or local governments. Nor did it authorize HHS or DOJ to do so. This has caused concern for those who advocate for community services to be as accessible to individuals with disabilities as anyone else and that least restrictive care should be provided. There is concern that we may see an increase in utilization of institutional care for individuals with disabilities.
- MDHHS just posted PIHP on DTMB Bid Opportunities Website.
- Booster Club did activities every Friday in May for Mental Health Awareness Month.
- HOPE had their 50th anniversary celebration last week.
- Another staff member thanked the Board for their birthday card.

7. REPORT FROM BOARD CHAIR

- None

8. REPORT FROM REGIONAL BOARD

- Reviewed QAPIP report

9. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

- Judy recommended getting a card for Stephen for the successful Recipient Rights Assessment.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:49pm

N. Smith
Secretary

Date