



MINUTES OF THE BOARD
December 15, 2022, 4:00 PM
North Country Community Mental Health
100 Lewis Street, Petoskey, Perry Hotel- Reycraft Room

BOARD MEMBERS ATTENDING:

Caroline Loper, Edward Ginop, Michael Newman, Ron Iseler, Paul Liss, Robert Draves, Christian Marcus, Karla Sherman

MEMBERS ATTENDING VIRTUALLY: Robert Boyd

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Gary Knapp, Allen Telgenhof, Katina Banko

STAFF: Brian Babbitt, Nancy Rhue, Tim Stapp Jr., Amy Christie, Kim Rappleyea, Michael Wolf, Ann Friend

GUESTS: None

Mr. Ginop called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM

ROLL CALL

Mr. Ginop welcomed Board members and staff to the meeting. There is a quorum present.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST: No board members expressed a conflict with any agenda item.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

CONSENT AGENDA

The consent agenda includes the agenda overview, minutes of the previous meeting, privileging recommendations and contracts signed in the past month. Items requiring approval will be placed on the meeting agenda.

MOTION BY CAROLINE LOPER TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA; SUPPORT BY KARLA SHERMAN.

MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS – BOARD ACTION*

Executive Committee Report: The executive committee meeting met on the 22 of November, the agenda items included the approval of a 4% COLA, change of hours of Antrim and Kalkaska Counties contingent on the ratification of the Union Contract, and approval of minutes as read.

Finance Committee Report: Mr. Marcus reviewed the Statement of Cash on Deposit and Bills through November 30, 2022; Interim Financial Statements as of October 31, 2022; Revenue and Expense by Fund Source; Trending Revenue and Expenses as of October 31, 2022; and NMRE Funding Source Report.

Mr. Ginop requested the financial reports be placed on file for audit.

PRESENTATION – Mr. Wolf presented the Recipient Rights Annual report. A recipient is an individual who receives services from a CMH or one of its contracted providers. The recipient is provided additional protections by the Michigan Mental Health Code, MDHHS administrative rules and others. After defining key terms and concluding with a summary of the process he continued to the specific data for FY22. The functions and activities of the Recipient Rights Office include education, consultation, monitoring, and complaint resolution. NCCMH provided services to 4,234 individuals in FY22. The Recipient Rights Office received 136 complaints containing 179 allegations. They completed 168 investigations which resulted in 11 interventions. This resulted in 120 of the investigations being substantiated and 5 interventions completed. Staff has consistently been the top reporting source for NCCMH. There has been a substantial increase in NCCMH's substantiation rate per allegation in the past 2 years. Other functions of the office were highlighted, including data related to training and monitoring. At the conclusion Mr. Wolf shared the desired outcomes for the office in FY23, along with the comments and recommendations of the Recipient Rights Advisory Committee.

ACTION ITEMS WITHOUT COMMITTEE REVIEW:

Bylaws Amendment- Article Five- Committees of the Board- in Section I. Committees; the addition of "Standing committee appointments for unfulfilled terms shall be made by the Chairperson of the Board for the remaining term" This amendment is suggested as we have 4 board members, 2 of whom chair committees, who will not be finishing their committee terms this year.

THERE IS NOT A TWO THIRDS MAJORITY OF THE BOARD PRESENT, NO MOTION IS MADE, AND NO ROLL CALL VOTE IS HELD.

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR CHRISTIAN MARCUS

MOTION SADLY MADE BY KARLA SHERMAN TO ACCEPT THE RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION OF CHRISTIAN MARCUS; REGRETFULLY SUPPORTED BY CAROLINE LOPER:

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR KATINA BANKO

MOTION BY KARLA SHERMAN TO ACCEPT THE RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION OF KATINA BANKO; SUPPORT BY ROBERT DRAVES

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR PAUL LISS

MOTION BY KARLA SHERMAN TO ACCEPT THE RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION OF KARLA SHERMAN; SUPPORT BY RON ISELER

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR ROBERT DRAVES

MOTION BY KARLA SHERMAN TO ACCEPT THE RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION OF ROBERT DRAVES; SUPPORT BY PAUL LISS

MOTION CARRIED

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT/COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Babbitt shared his activities since the November 17th board meeting. He drew attention to the PowerPoint included in the packet from the Civil Commitment and AOT in Michigan seminar that he attended virtually on the 2nd of December. He also drew attention to a 1-page flyer from the Northern Michigan Community Health Innovation Region (NMCHIR) Steering committee meeting which outlined the goals of the NMCHIR, which strives to improve rural healthcare and lower costs through coordinated care. Mr. Babbitt also shared that SBs 597 and 598 did not pass in the "lame duck" sessions after the November 8th election and that it does not appear at this time there are any legislators who will be picking up where Senator Shirkey and Representative Whiteford left off.

QUALITY IMPROVEMENT UPDATE – There is no QI update this month.

NORTHERN MICHIGAN REGIONAL ENTITY

There were no board meeting minutes to share as there was no NMRE Board Meeting in November, and there are no October Financials from the NMRE either.

OLD BUSINESS – Kalkaska Office Move- We are in the temporary office space that has been generously offered by Kalkaska Memorial Health Center. KMHC has purchased a lot next to the temporary office space that we are currently in and will be building. They have offered us space in their new building with a long-term lease, there is potential for us to "build out" our space in the building to our needs

NEW BUSINESS – Mr. Babbitt shared that we have had several letters and a phone call of appreciation from community partners. A voicemail message about Dr. Gherman was played for the board, and 2 letters about other employees were shared.

BOARD & STAFF COMMENTS – Ms. Sherman expressed her sadness surrounding our exiting board members and extended an invitation for them to continue to attend the meetings and continue to be active supporters of the NCCMH mission.

Mr. Liss said that he cannot believe that he has been on our board for 14 years and under three different CEOs. He said that he appreciates that every decision that the board has made has been client centered/client first. He also gave us an update on recreational marijuana in Gaylord and Otsego County. There are several applications for permits, and from the treasury they

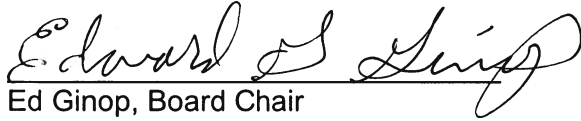
receive funds of \$56,000 (the county and the city both) for every business open in Otsego County.

Mr. Marcus extended his appreciation to the Board stating that Ed is a calm and methodical leader. He stated that he enjoyed his time on the NCCMH Board of Directors and the NMRE board, and that he would miss being on both.

Mr. Ginop expressed his appreciation of Mr. Marcus, Mr. Liss and Mr. Draves stating that when something needed to be done, they did it.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:18 PM by Board Chair Edward Ginop.


Ed Ginop, Board Chair