

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
MEETING MINUTES**

Thursday, May 22, 2014, 6:00 p.m.  
Community Mental Health Building  
812 E. Jolly Rd, Conf. Room G11-C, Lansing, MI

**Staff Present:**

Toby Bayless, Chris McDaniel, Ericanne Spence, Stacia Chick, Al Way, Liz Holcomb, Bob Sheehan, Chuck Dougherty, Sharon Blizzard, Jennifer Stanley, Mary Clissold, Judy Hazle

**Public Present:**

Jeff Fleming, Local 459; Elizabeth Pratt, NAMI

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairperson Maxine Thome called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:**

**Board Members Present:**

Kay Pray, Raul Gonzales, Joe Brehler, Kam Washburn, Paul Palmer, Maxine Thome, Chris Swope, Kay Randolph-Back, Stephen Manchester, Carol Koenig, Sara Clark Pierson, Dianne Holman

**PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:**

**MOVED** by Chris Swope and **SUPPORTED** by Kay Pray to approve the meeting minutes of April 17, 2014. **MOTION CARRIED** unanimously.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA:**

**MOVED** by Chris Swope and **SUPPORTED** by Kay Pray to adopt meeting agenda as presented removing item #5 under Finance as an action item. **MOTION CARRIED** unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS:**

Elizabeth Pratt, Vice President from NAMI Lansing distributed information on public Act 28 recently signed by Governor Snyder. Ms. Pratt requested that NAMI Lansing and other consumer groups be included in working on projects to improve services to person with mental illness and their families. Ms. Pratt reported on other activities noted in her handout.

**MID-STATE HEALTH NETWORK (MSHN) UPDATE:**

Joe Brehler commented that at the next Board meeting there will be a discussion on fund balance. MSHN may want to hold 7% back.

Dianne Holman joined the meeting at 6:23 p.m.

**DIRECTORS REPORT:**

Bob Sheehan introduced Chuck Dougherty, Director of CMHA-CEI Information Systems. Mr. Dougherty reported on the “Health Information Exchange Benefits”. Concerns in the health exchange include: no consent form, no standard way of organizing the content behavioral health providers might share, and no technical infrastructure to handle consent within the Michigan HIE system.

Paul Palmer reported on his trip to Washington, D.C. for the 2014 Disability Policy Seminar. Mr. Palmer thanked CMHA-CEI for sending him for this trip. Mr. Palmer shared information on the ABLA Act. On Page 4-5 of the report Mr. Palmer provided it lists Senate and House members who have not signed on as sponsors of the ABLA Act. The key message that was shared is that under the ESEA Act congress must preserve Medicaid, Medicare, Social Security, SSI, and other vital programs for people with disabilities.

Bob Sheehan highlighted several items in his May written report:

- CMH consumers and staff attend annual MHAM dinner
- CMH’s House of Commons sponsor Men’s Speaker Jam
- Healthy Michigan enrollment grows
- Counties pass resolutions in support of Mental Health First Aid Week
- Mental Health Court featured in the press
- CMH will be adding parking spaces to the Jolly Rd parking lot

Stacia Chick reported on the FY 2014 budget. Handouts: Budget Overview, General Fund Analysis. Current projected deficit is \$1.1 million of Medicaid. The gap was reduced by Healthy Michigan revenue and also position lapse. Ms. Chick explained that required subsidies use over 1/3 of the general fund dollars. There is a deficit in GF/ABW expenditures of \$3.2 million. CMHA-CEI will see funding from the PIHP to help cover the deficit.

There is a concern about the FY 2015 budget.

Bob Sheehan explained the threat of privatization from the State of Michigan. Mr. Sheehan proposed the following actions:

- 1) contract with a seasoned consultant firm to develop two white papers
- 2) form a coalition of allies to promote the contents of the white papers and the strengthening and centrality of Michigan’s public behavioral health care and developmental disabilities system
- 3) contract with a public relations and/or marketing firm to disseminate the white papers; develop a statewide public education initiative designed to underscore the value of the public CMH/PIHP system
- 4) contract with multi-client lobbyist to disseminate the white paper among state legislators

The effort would be financed by the voluntary contribution of partners within the CMH/PIHP system. CEI would be willing to be the fiduciary for this effort.

Mr. Sheehan commented if healthcare providers such as BC/BS run behavioral health they may take 20% approximately off the top for profit and administration reserves. The public system would then become just a provider with 20% less funding to work with.

Discussion ensued.

**MOVED** by Sara Clark Pierson and **SUPPORTED** by Stephen Manchester to authorize the Executive Director to move forward with consulting firms to do exploration using the proposed multi-pronged approach. **MOTION CARRIED** unanimously.

Kay Randolph-Back commented on the presentation made by Lynda Zeller.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

### **Program and Planning**

#### **2014-2015 CA Provider Network Development Plan (CMHA-CEI/CA)**

##### **ACTION:**

**MOVED** by Raul Gonzales and **SUPPORTED** by Stephen Manchester that the Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham Counties Board of Directors, in its role as Coordinating Agency (CA) Board, approve a spending plan by which the overall increase in revenue as a result of Healthy Michigan enrollment would be used in conjunction with other CA funding streams such as Medicaid, block grant, and Public Act 2 to: 1) ensure the financial stability of SUD providers operating under the terms of their initial fiscal year 2014 contract, and 2) after all current SUD providers are financially stable with regard to the current service array, invest in the purchase of additional SUD services and new SUD services by utilizing a targeted approach to identifying and closing service gaps within CMHA CEI CA's region, as outlined in the document titled, "SUD Provider Network Development Plan".

**MOTION CARRIED** unanimously.

#### **2013-2014 Mid-State Health Network Quality Assessment and Performance Improvement Program (QAPIP) (CMHA-CEI)**

##### **ACTION:**

**MOVED** by Raul Gonzales and **SUPPORTED** by Sara Clark Pierson that the Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham Counties Board of Directors adopt the CMHA-CEI's Quality Plan, the 2013-2014 Quality Assessment and Performance Improvement Program plan developed by the Mid-State Health Network.

**MOTION CARRIED** unanimously.

#### **New Expense Contract: Joel Sanchez, MD (CMHA-CEI)**

##### **ACTION:**

**MOVED** by Raul Gonzales and **SUPPORTED** by Sara Clark Pierson that the Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham Counties Board of Directors authorize CMHA-CEI to enter into a new contract /contract renewal with Joel Sanchez, MD to purchase psychiatric services from Joel Sanchez, MD for the period of May 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014 and pay \$125/hour for those services.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

**New Expense Contract: Community Linx (CMHA-CEI)**

**ACTION:**

MOVED by Raul Gonzales and SUPPORTED by Chris Swope that the Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham Counties Board of Directors authorize staff to establish a contract with Community Linx, whose business address is P.O. Box 242, Grand Ledge, MI 48837, to purchase Community Living Supports (CLS) and Respite and pay per the Rate Schedule below for the period of 6/1/14 – 12/31/14.

Rate Schedule*		
Service	Standard Rate	Holiday Rate
Children’s Waiver CLS	\$15.88/hr.	\$23.72/hr.
Children’s Waiver Respite	\$15.56/hr.	\$23.36/hr.
CLS-Hab. Waiver /B3	14,12,or 16.12*	\$21.18 or \$24.18

\*Rate varies depending on the support needs of the individual served.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

**New Expense Contract: Clara Okafor, Emmanuel AFC (CMHA-CEI)**

**ACTION:**

MOVED by Raul Gonzales and SUPPORTED by Stephen Manchester that the Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton, Eaton, Ingham Counties Board of Directors authorize CMHA-CEI to approve the new contract with Clara Okafor to purchase Adult Foster care services for mentally ill adults for the period of February 13, 2014 to April 11, 2014 and pay \$46.77 per day, per client for those services. Payment is retro for services already rendered.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

**Finance**

**Expense Contract Renewal: The Echo Group(CMHA-CEI)**

**ACTION:**

MOVED by Sara Clark Pierson and SUPPORTED by Chris Swope that the Board of Directors of Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton, Eaton and Ingham counties authorize CMHA CEI to enter into contract renewal with The Echo Group for maintenance of Clinician’s Desktop and Revenue Manager for the period of May 14, 2014 through May 14, 2015 and pay \$77,450.00 for that maintenance.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

**Amendment to Agreement between City of Lansing and Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton, Eaton, Ingham Counties – Open Doors Program(CMHA-CEI)**

**ACTION:**

MOVED by Sara Clark Pierson and SUPPORTED by Joe Brehler that the Board of Directors of Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton, Eaton and Ingham counties authorize CMHA CEI to enter into an amended agreement with the City of Lansing to

provide funding for a grant writer to seek additional funding to provide mental health counseling for eligible participants experiencing mental health and/or co-occurring (mental health and substance use) disorders, with a focus on clients referred by faith-based, homeless services providers, and human service agencies in the greater Lansing area to City of Lansing for the period of April 1, 2014 to June 30, 2014 and receive an additional ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) increasing the total contract from twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) for those services/goods.

Chris Swope abstained. MOTION CARRIED.

**Expense Contract Renewal: Gratiot County Community Mental Health(CMHA-CEI)**

**ACTION:**

**MOVED** by Sara Clark Pierson and **SUPPORTED** by Carol Koenig that the Board of Directors of Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton, Eaton and Ingham counties authorize CMHA CEI to enter into a contract renewal with Gratiot County Community Mental Health to purchase expanded community-based behavioral health services for the period of October 1, 2013 – September 30, 2014 and pay \$28,210 for these services. The funding request is for personnel (0.4 FTE Mental Health Therapist) employed by Gratiot County CMHA. Office space at the Mid-Michigan District Health Department is being provided in-kind.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

**FY 13/14 Amended Budget for Quarter Ended March 31, 2014(CMHA-CEI)**

**ACTION:**

**MOVED** by Sara Clark Pierson and **SUPPORTED** by Carol Koenig that the Board of Directors of Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton, Eaton and Ingham Counties approve the FY 13/14 Amended Budget for the Quarter Ended March 31, 2014.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

**Human Resources**

No report.

**Recipient Rights**

No report.

**Executive Committee**

No report.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Still negotiating with Victory Clinic per Bob Sheehan. Contract ends July 31<sup>st</sup>.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Raul Gonzales was elected to the Budget Committee for the MACMHB. Joe Brehler commented that the Director and Director of Nursing of Kalamazoo State Hospital were suspended without pay for mis-treatment of residents. MDCH is doing the investigation of

three consumers. Chris McDaniel confirmed there is going to be an investigation on allegations.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

The next meeting of the Board of Directors is scheduled OFF SITE for Thursday, June 19, 2014, 6:00 p.m., DeWitt Township Hall, 1401 W. Herbison Road, Dewitt, MI.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

Judy Hazle  
Executive Secretary