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PROGRAM AND PLANNING COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes

Monday, August 9th, 2021 5:30 p.m.

812 E. Jolly Rd, Atrium

Lansing, MI 48910

Join Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 980 7911 8213

Dial-In Conference Line: 517-346-8485, access code: 8485

Committee Members Present:

Al Platt

Raul Gonzales

Tim Hanna

Dwight Washington

Committee Members Excused:

Paul Palmer, Emily Stivers

Staff Present

Darby Vermeulen, Sara Lurie, Drew Kersjes

Other Board Members Present:

Joe Brehler

Public Present:

None

Others Present

None

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Raul Gonzales at 5:30 p.m.

Previous Meeting Minutes:

MOVED by Tim Hanna and SUPPORTED by Al Platt to approve the meeting minutes of July 12th, 2021.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

Dwight Washington entered the meeting at 5:30 pm

Adoption of Agenda:

MOVED by Tim Hanna and SUPPORTED by Al Platt to adopt the agenda of August 9th, 2021.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

Public Comment on Agenda Items:

None.

BUSINESS ITEMS:

New Expense Contract: Country Haven (Change in Ownership for the Home)

Drew Kersjes presented this contract in Karla's absence. He said a provider sold Country Haven home to one of their staff. They are still supporting the CEI folks that live in the home. The provider was just approved through the licensing process.

ACTION:

MOVED by Al Platt and SUPPORTED by Tim Hanna that the Program and Planning Committee of the CMHA-CEI Board of Directors authorize CMHA-CEI to enter into a new contract with Shirley Talley DBA Country2Haven AFC to purchase specialized

residential services with the per diem rates of \$40.42 (Level I), \$61.75 (Level II), and \$83.08 (Level III), for service codes H2016 and T1020. The contract period will have an effective date contingent upon full licensure and will continue through September 30, 2022.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

Unfinished Business

Sara Lurie provided an update on the status of our advocacy efforts. Al and Joe both participated in two meetings that were supposed to be with representatives while Sara was on vacation. Joe said both meetings went reasonably well. His only criticisms were that Rep. Brixie was not present again, and Rep. Anthony seemed to only be worried about making the bad bill less bad, as opposed to doing away with the bill. Joe said the second meeting was supposed to be with Rep. Filler, but he sent a staffer in his place, as well. Joe is concerned we don't have real allies on our side.

Al reiterated that Rep. Anthony was of the opinion that the Whiteford bill would not be voted down. Sara asked the group if they would still like to meet with Representative Whiteford? Joe and Al agreed that if that is possible, they would like that to happen.

Sara said Eaton County passed the resolution. Dwight has gotten things moving with Ingham County, and hopefully the resolution will be passed at the August 26th meeting. Sara received a message from Eaton County today, and she is hoping to connect with them tomorrow. She is hoping by early September the resolutions will be passed. Sara wanted to let the group know that things will probably move quickly for the Shirkey bill.

Joe talked to Bob Sheehan last week. Bob seems to think the House bill has no support in the Senate, and vice versa. Tim Hanna said he felt the House bill has more potential success than the Shirkey bill. Sara said MDHHS and the State itself is investing a lot in CCBHC to be a national demonstration project, so this fact alone might make it more likely the Shirkey bill will be vetoed.

New Business

Sara said she wanted to discuss some circumstances that are circling around Crisis Stabilization Units. She heard from Debbie Stabenow's office asking to submit a

proposal to her office, and CEI did. In the meantime, we heard from MDHHS that they are working with McLaren on the redesign of what they will do with the Greenlawn campus. They are hoping it will become a behavioral health space. Sara was invited to get involved with this effort. She went and visited the campus; Allen Jansen feels there is a lot of money available for these kinds of start-up projects, and we should be able to figure it out. Shana Badgley went with Sara on a tour; the current women's building on campus would be great for a Crisis Stabilization Unit. Sara also scheduled a meeting with Sen. Hertel and his chief of staff, because there is money in the budget for this new CSU. She said this is something the tri-county community has wanted for years; a centralized, drop-off stabilization unit for those who need to be assessed and secured. This would also relieve some of the traffic in the emergency departments. Sara said at CEI currently, we should only be keeping people here for 23 hours. Technically, we can't hold anyone here without their consent. In a CSU, a 72-stay would be allowable. Tim asked about staffing in this capacity? She said we would consolidate the staff we have now, and also add individuals. Sara said if we are able to do this, we may want to bring in consultation about how to rearrange services between all of the programs. She went on to say the neighborhood is supportive of turning the hospital into a Behavioral Health unit. Sara said if we get enough traction, she will bring a fact sheet to P&P when the time comes.

Public Comment:

None

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 6:04 p.m. The next regularly scheduled Program and Planning Committee meeting is Monday, September 13th, 2021, 5:30 p.m., 812 E. Jolly Rd, Atrium.

Minutes Submitted by:

Darby Vermeulen

Finance Administrative Assistant