

**SAGINAW COUNTY COMMUNITY
MENTAL HEALTH AUTHORITY
GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
JUNE 17, 2021 – 5:15 p.m.**

Due to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency this Governance Committee Meeting was held virtually by Zoom.

PRESENT: Mike Cierzniewski, Andrea Schrems, Larry Jones, John Pugh, Tracey Raquepaw

ABSENT: Steve Fresorger

GUEST(S):

STAFF: Sandra Lindsey, Ryan Mulder

I. OPENING PROCEDURE

Tracey Raquepaw, Vice Chair called the meeting to order at 5:25 p.m. Verification of the public posting was acknowledged and a quorum was established.

II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

III. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Motion made by Andrea Schrems with support from Tracey Raquepaw to cast a unanimous ballot to appoint Larry Jones, Chair & Mike Cierzniewski, Vice Chair for the Governance Committee. Motion carried.

IV. BOARD TECHNOLOGY DISCUSSION

Sandy wanted to have a discussion with Governance Committee and ask the following questions about Board and Committee meeting attendance: Are there any barriers? Would training on technology use be helpful? Are there any specific needs for adequate WiFi data to access to support technology? Her aim is to get devices to people that need them in order to better participate in SCCMHA Board / Committee meetings virtually when needed as with COVID infection rates reducing significantly and restrictions are being lifted, it is only a matter of time before we will need to meet again in person.

- John and Larry noted that they would both like devices but each already has WiFi network at their home

Committee requests that we check in with each Board member on the following:

- If a technology device (such as iPad) is needed?
- If data is needed?
- Would members like to receive hard copy packet, electronic packet or both?

Please note that the Saginaw County Board of Commissioners at their June 22 Meeting approved a motion to rescind, effective July 1, 2021, the April 8, 2021 Resolution

declaring a Local State of Emergency for the purpose of permitting the County Board of Commissioners and other public bodies of Saginaw County to meet by electronic and telephonic means; and to repeal the out-of-state travel ban approved by the Board of Commissioners at the April 9, 2020 Board Session. NOTE: SCCMHA must return to in person meetings beginning in July 2021.

Motion made by Larry Jones with support from Andrea Schrems to recommend to SCCMHA Admin to put topic of "Board Technology Discussion" on each of the SCCMHA Committee Meetings in June and ask members if there is a way to assist with technology. Motion carried.

V. RELIAS TRAINING AVAILABLE

At the last Governance meeting it was recommended that a list of potential Board Trainings available on Relias be included in the June 17 Governance Committee meeting for review. Ryan noted that there are more than 457 pages of trainings available. See:

<https://www.sccmha.org/userfiles/filemanager/34917/> for details.

After discussion, the committee decided they would like SCCMHA Admin to offer:

- CMHA Boardworks training by either DVD or online (if this is available at www.cmham.org)
- 10-15 Board trainings in area of Mental / Behavioral Health, Recovery, Substance Abuse, etc. as long as the trainings / materials are not outdated. We need to check with Alecia Schabel, SCCMHA CEU Supervisor
- Mental Health First Aid Training is also another excellent training. It is an eight-hour training and has been offered in 4 hour time blocks. We could potentially offer a retreat and have MHFA Board training made available or we can perhaps. We need to check with Alecia Schabel, Continuing Ed. Supervisor, to see if it could be offered in smaller time intervals. Sandy will connect with Alecia to see what is possible.

VI. BOARD ATTENDANCE LOG

Motion made by Mike Cierzniewski with support from John Pugh to receive and file Board Attendance Log as written. Motion carried.

VII. BOARD TRAINING LOG

Motion made by Larry Jones with support from Mike Cierzniewski to approve the Board Training Log as presented. Motion carried.

VIII. OTHER ITEMS OF IMPORTANCE

Sandy noted that we have a lot of vacancies at SCCMHA and we are starting to struggle with workforce challenges but we are not alone as the same shortages are being experienced across the state. Specifically targeting additional Mental Health Activity Aids and Vehicle Driver, positions. Requirement is high school diploma and SCCMHA will train individuals with pay.

Also recruiting for custodial staff and Bachelor's and Master's level behavioral health clinician positions as well. Recently purchased ads on NBC-25 that you may be seeing on television.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Mike Cierzniewski and supported by John Pugh to adjourn this meeting at 6:18 pm. Motion carried.