

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

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

**PRESENT:** Steve Fresorger, Mike Cierzniewski, Andrea Schrems, Larry Jones

**ABSENT:** John Pugh, Tracey Raquepaw

**GUEST(S):**

**STAFF:** Sandra Lindsey, Ryan Mulder

**I. OPENING PROCEDURE**

Larry Jones, called the meeting to order at 5:18 p.m. Verification of the public posting was acknowledged and a quorum was established.

**II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There was no public participation.

**III. UPDATE ON REMOTE MEETINGS UNDER LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2021**

Ryan briefly noted that the language in SB 1246 that allowed for remote meetings for any reason expired on 3/31/21 but on 4/1/21 Saginaw County initially declared a temporary Local State of emergency (7 days) and extended by formal resolution at their 4/8/21 Special Board of Commissioners meeting. This declaration allows for virtual public meetings as long as this Local State of Emergency stays in effect, in this case until 8/31/21. SCCMHA will continue to hold our meetings using Zoom conference which allows for both video/audio and only audio by telephone. See pages 3 – 4 in tonight's packet for details.

**Motion made by Mike Cierzniewski with support from Steve Fresorger to receive and file Update on Remote Meetings Under Local State of Emergency Through 3/31/21. Motion carried.**

**IV. EXAMINATION AND DISCUSSION ON PROCESS FOR MONITORING BOARD ATTENDANCE FOR EARLIER INTERVENTIONS**

After discussion, the committee decided that a quarterly review of Board Attendance Log was not adequate and required heightened surveillance. Ryan was asked to include the monthly Board Attendance Log in Governance Committee location of under 'Approval of Committee Reports'.

**V. BOARD OF DIRECTORS POLICY REVIEW DISCUSSION**

As part of SCCMHA's annual review of agency policies all Board Policies are on the agenda tonight. Copies of all the Governance, Executive Limitations and Ends Committee policies were included in the packet. Ryan noted that marked of versions of the SCCMHA Board Policies with changes noted in red font are going to be sent out electronically by Ryan to Governance, Ends & Executive Limitations Committees. These revised policies will then be formally approved at the June 14 Board meeting.

Any recommended changes should be returned to Ryan no later than June 4, 2021.  
*Note: there are several board policies associated with different committees that will be reviewed by all committees.*

Ryan was asked to send a reminder to Board to get policy edits back to himself by June 4<sup>th</sup> also.

The Governance committee was able to ask questions / make comment. *See handouts for details.*

**Motion made by Andrea Schrems with support from Mike Cierzniewski to bring policies to SCCMHA Committee Meetings and as edits are needed a complete set of changes will be brought to the June 14 Board Meeting for final approval. Motion carried.**

## **VI. BOARD ATTENDANCE LOG**

**Motion made by Mike Cierzniewski with support from Andrea Schrems to receive and file Board Attendance Log as written. Motion carried.**

## **VII. BOARD TRAINING LOG**

The SCCMHA Board Training Log was reviewed and there were a few areas of concern as Board members do not currently have enough training hours likely related to the fact that CMHAM has had to cancel Spring/Summer Conference due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

Ryan and Sandy suggested that SCCMHA Board that MACMHB Boardworks DVDs are always a possibility. Sandy is also hopeful that training credits for CMHAM conference recordings may be made available for Board members as possibility as well. We'll report back if we hear any news related to this though. Another potential source for training content could be our contract with Relias for remote learning content. It will need to be investigated though with SCCMHA Continuing Education Department.

It was recommended that a list of potential Board Trainings available on Relias be included in the June 17 Governance Committee meeting for review.

**Motion made by Mike Cierzniewski with support from Andrea Schrems to approve the Board Training Log as presented. Motion carried.**

## **VIII. OTHER ITEMS OF IMPORTANCE**

Sandy asked Board members to be safe as COVID cases are increasing in Michigan.

## **IX. ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion made by Mike Cierzniewski and supported by Steve Fresorger to adjourn this meeting at 5:47 pm. Motion carried.**