

**SAGINAW COUNTY COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH AUTHORITY
REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 13, 2023, 2022 – 5:15 PM
ROOM 190**

PRESENT: Tracey Raquepaw, Deb Nagel, Lisa Coney, Robert Woods, Mike Cierzniewski, Cherie Long, Kathleen Schachman, Steve Fresorger, Cym Winiecke, Joan Williams

VIRTUAL: Jill Armentrout (zoom)

ABSENT: John Pugh

GUESTS: Rahmaan Kelley, Kim Hubert, Norma Diaz

STAFF: Sandra Lindsey, Dr. Ali Ibrahim, Jan Histed, Jessica O’Neal, Ryan Mulder

I. CALL TO ORDER

Tracey Raquepaw - Chair called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m. A quorum was established, and verification of posting was determined.

II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Kim Hubert of Helping Others Means Everything (HOMES) gave info on the organization. Brochures were brought to the meeting as well. Interested in becoming a part of SCCMHA provider network and have submitted applications.

Rahmaan Kelley of Helping Others Means Everything (HOMES) noted he contracted with SCCMHA before as Open Arms residential facility for youth. Now HOMES is currently assisting with staffing and employing adult foster care homes for CMH homes and also partnering with Underground Railroad for housing (11 homes).

III. BOARD TRAINING FY 2024 SCCMHA STRATEGIC & OPERATIONAL PRIORITIES

Sandra M. Lindsey reviewed the SCCMHA Strategic Priorities 2023-2024 document included in tonight’s packet. The final document will be available at: <https://www.sccmha.org/news-and-information/public-notices.html>. 1 hour of Training Credit will be given to members present and those joining on the virtual/phone connection.

IV. APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

A. Board Meeting – September 11, 2023

Motion made by Lisa Coney and supported by Cym Winiecke to approve the October 9, 2023, SCCMHA Board Meeting minutes as written. Motion carried.

V. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Governance Committee – No Meeting
Mike Cierzniewski, Chair / *Vacancy*, Vice Chair

B. Ends Committee – No Meeting
Jill Armentrout, Chair – Tracey Raquepaw, Vice Chair

- C. Executive Limitations – No Meeting
Cym Winiecke, Chair – Tracey Raquepaw, Vice Chair
- D. Recipient Rights Committee – No Meeting
Deb Nagel, Chair – _____, Vice Chair

VI. CEO REPORT

CEO Annual Visit to Saginaw Board of Commissioner/ Health and Human Services Committee

S. Lindsey joined the agenda of the Health and Human Services Committee of the Saginaw County Board of Commissioners on Monday, November 6, 2023. The purpose for the visit was an annual update as per the SCCMHA Reporting Requirements to the County of Saginaw. Several documents were shared with the committee including the *Annual 2021/22 Progress Report* published this summer, the *2024 SCCMHA Strategic Plan* including the *FY 2024 Preliminary Budget*, the *Administrative Fact Sheet* and the *Our Services* Publication. The committee reviewed the purpose and highlights of each document. Then there was brief discussion on several topics of mutual interest including the increased demand for inpatient and outpatient behavioral health services, workforce shortages, and the evolving federal/state/local Behavioral Health Crisis Service Continuum.

Tim Ninemire, Officer of Recipient Rights and Dir. of Customer Services and Security Retires/Functional Reorganization and Related Promotions

Tim Ninemire, the Officer of Recipient Rights and Dir of Customer Services and Security, retired on October 31, 2023, after more than 30 years of service to SCCMHA. The SCCMHA Retirement Party send-off for Tim held on October 27 at the Anderson Enrichment Center was well attended and the agency recognized Tim for his service and wished him well.

His previous functions have been reorganized with Kentera Patterson now Serving as the Recipient Rights and Compliance Officer, and Melissa Gutzwiller moving with her current responsibilities as Supervisor of Environmental Services, to a Director Position and taking on the additional responsibilities for Customer Services and Security.

New Security Camera Project Completed at Hancock and A & W Building/Exiting Repurposing of Cameras

SCCMHA has completed the new security camera project at Hancock and A & W Building. Our antiquated camera system was replaced with a "state of the art" system to support our 24/7 operations where cameras are now programable to record or view only. This new technology supports our operational changes and space renovations over time supporting service expansion.

200 plus existing cameras are being returned to SCCMHA by the vendor, for repurposing to other smaller SCCMHA facilities as a Phase II Security Camera Plan.

The project cost which utilized County Bond dollars included:

\$ 168,529 New Camera Equipment
57,000 Kibbee Design and Project Management
37,816 New IT Switches
\$263,345 Project Total

Ryan Mulder Promoted to Manager of CEO Office with the new Public Relations Specialist Position Report

Ryan Mulder was promoted to from Executive Assistant to the CEO to the Manager of the CEO Office last month. In addition to his job description now reflecting all his responsibilities to the CEO, her office, the committees the CEO Chairs and the SCCMHA Board and committees of the board. He will also be supervising the new Public Relations Specialist, Andrew Ferguson. Mr. Ferguson started in his new position with SCCMHA last week.

SCCMHA Has Been Funded for an Early Childhood Coordinator Position to the Family Division of the 10th Saginaw Circuit Court by MDHHS

As reported last month, SCCMHA was invited by MDHHS to make a grant application to become an expansion site for an Early Childhood Specialty Court in partnership with the local MDHHS Child Welfare Office lead by Dir. Jennifer Shores and the Family Division of the 10th Circuit Court where Judge Barbara Meter presides. We received word last week that we were selected and funded for \$106, 172 by MDHHS to enable us to hire a highly credentialed clinician with Infant Mental Health certification to serve as the new Court Coordinator. The SCCMHA Lead with our partners will be Erin Nostrandt, Dir. of Children's Services. Development planning for the new specialty court docket will begin in December with our partners and MDHHS.

CCBHC- Demo Enrollment as of November 9, 2023

Medicaid 3,433

Non-Medicaid 281

Total Enrolled 3,714 persons

Note: at the time of this reporting due to WSA (the CCBHC- Demo Enrollment Portal at MDHHS) functional issues, MSHN is behind on approving an additional 76 enrollments. A WSA data clean-up is planned for this month for non-active consumers without services in the past 6 months. The enrollment/ disenrollment numbers are ever changing.

Motion made Cym Winiecke and supported by Steve Fresorger to receive & file this report as written. Motion carried.

VII. BOARD ACTION

A. Approval of SCCMHA CAC Membership – Hascall, McAfee, Peltier

SCCMHA is pleased to note that we have three (3) new potential members requesting to join the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC). SCCMHA Administration is seeking appointment to the CAC for all three of these interested and qualified persons.

Motion made by Lisa Coney Winiecke and supported by Joan Williams to Approval appointment of Hascall, McAfee, Peltier to SCCMHA CAC. Motion carried.

B. Approval of 2024 Board & Committee Meeting Schedule

Motion made by Robert Woods and supported by Cym Winiecke to table approval until next month's meeting. Motion carried.

C. Feedback from CMHA Fall Conference Attendees

Several board members gave comment on the following presentations in particular:

- As always keynote speakers were really good.
- Breakout sessions were excellent, and a good time was had by all.

Sandy noted that CMHA's Alan Bolter was asked to attend the January Board meeting. If the weather is bad, he will join the meeting via Zoom if necessary.

VIII. BOARD INFORMATION

- A. CMHA Weekly Update – October 2023 links:** <https://cmham.org/resources/weekly-update/>
- B. SCCMHA CAC Minutes** <https://www.sccmha.org/about/board-agendas-and-meetings.html>
- C. November is Native American Heritage Month & National Diabetes Awareness Month**
- D. Michigan's 988 Information**

IX. MEDIA / PUBLICATIONS

X. OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

Sandy provided some information on ongoing concerns with TriCap and Covenant ED. Conversation with TriCap CEO and have had constructive discussion and advice was shared to have an impact on community safety and impact of folks served by TriCap.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Robert Woods supported by Mike Cierzniewski to adjourn this meeting at 6:33 PM p.m. Motion carried.

**Minutes prepared by:
Ryan Mulder
Executive Assistant to CEO**