

**SAGINAW COUNTY COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH AUTHORITY
REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES
MAY 13, 2024, 2022 – 5:15 PM
ROOM 190**

PRESENT: Tracey Raquepaw, Cherie Long, Lisa Coney, Deb Nagel, Mike Cierzniewski, Kathleen Schachman, Robert Woods, Joan Williams, Maria Vela

VIRTUAL:

ABSENT: Jill Armentrout, Cym Winiecke, John Pugh

GUESTS:

STAFF: Sandra Lindsey, Jan Histed, 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

There was not public participation.

III. APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

A. Board Meeting – April 8, 2024

Motion made by Robert Woods and supported by Deb Nagel to approve the April 8, 2024, SCCMHA Board Meeting minutes as written. Motion carried.

IV. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Governance Committee – April 18, 2024
Mike Cierzniewski, Chair / *Vacancy*, Vice Chair
Reported by Mike Cierzniewski.

Motion made by Mike Cierzniewski and supported by Robert Woods to receive and file this report as edited. Motion carried.

B. Recipient Rights Committee – No Meeting
Deb Nagel, Chair – *Vacancy*, Vice Chair
Reported by Deb Nagel.

C. Ends Committee – April 22, 2024
Jill Armentrout, Chair – Tracey Raquepaw, Vice Chair
Reported by Joan Williams.

Motion made by Joan Williams and supported by Deb Nagel to receive and file this report as edited. Motion carried.

- D. Executive Limitations – April 24, 2024
Cym Winiecke, Chair – Tracey Raquepaw, Vice Chair
Reported by Tracie Raquepaw.

Motion made by Tracey Raquepaw and supported by Lisa Coney to receive and file this report as edited. Motion carried.

V. CEO REPORT

FY 2023 Financial Audit & Single Audit

Annual Audit Reports were received and filed at last month's Executive Limitations Committee. There were no findings. Sandy asked Jan Histed to give a high-level overview of the Audit Reports for the full Board. Sandy thanked Jan and involved Finance Department staff members, for all of the preparatory work that produced a smooth audit season and optimal result.

CCBHC / MDHHS Demo Recertification Document Submission

Senior staff are working on assembling all our evidence for CCBHC-Demo recertification by MDHHS. The criteria for recertification this round will include new 2023 federal SAMHSA standards effective 10-1-24. The new federal standards include limit to the percentage of CCBHC services (daily visit encounters) that can be provided by contracted organizations known as Designated Collaborative Organizations (DCOs) an organization. At present our DCO activity is over 51%, which is over the limit for contracted activity. SCCMHA together with the CCBHCs in Kalamazoo, Kent, Macomb and Genesee approached MDHHS about consideration a modification to the calculation of daily visits that would place us all beyond the 51% threshold. The state denied our recommended changes. Our fallback position will be to lease staff from our DCO network that will bill encounters under our agency NPI number. To inform this staff leasing strategy and related contract model required us to get a legal opinion from our healthcare attorney at Butzel Long.

Support to SPHD on Saginaw Co. Opioid Settlement Treatment Workgroup

Jen Kriener, Chief of Health Services and Sandy have been spending time with Saginaw County Public Health about Evidence Based Practices infusing the use of County for Opioid Settlement funds. This is taking some our time of late but feel this is time well spent. SCCMHA is not seeking any of the available Opioid Settlement funding and so brings no conflict of interest in this assistance.

Press Releases for Neonatal Abstinence

Sandy mentioned an MDHHS Press Release on how the state will be using some of their first released Opioid Settlement funding for select birthing hospitals in the state. The Covenant Birthing Center is one of the hospitals receiving funds for Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome work.

Cyber Attack on Ascension / St. Mary's Last Week

Sandy discussed the cyber-attack against Ascension Health this week. Ascension Health owns St. Mary's hospital here in Saginaw and the impact was felt locally. The event took down the electronic communication and health record functions resulting in a closure of the St, Mary's ED, and diversion of business to the Covenant ED adding to the care demand burden there. St. Mary's also cancelled all elective surgery. Our electronic health

record vendor, PEC Systems, sent communications to us about all they had done to limit any electronic exposure from the Ascension crisis and informed us of what other external system functionality might have also been impacted by the cyber-attack on Ascension Health. PCE Systems was on top of this right away and assured us that our system was not accessed by the Ascension breach.

MSHN Resolution against Conflict Free Access and Planning & Request for SCCMHA Resolution at June Board Meeting

MSHN Board of Directors passed a resolution in opposition to the MDHHS directive on Conflict Free Assessment and Planning (CFA&P) at their last meeting. Sandy noted that the SCCMHA Board may want to consider a similar resolution. There was also a recent electronic "Call to Action" by the CMHA in opposition to CFA&P. Ryan will forward this request from CMHA to Board members. There was also a CMHA CFA&P infographic depicting the complexities of this new MDHHS directive brought to tonight's meeting. Sandy agreed at the request of Board Chair, Tracey Raquepaw to draft a similar SCCMHA resolution for the June 10th Board meeting in opposition to CFA&P.

Motion made Robert Woods and supported by Mike Cierzniewski to receive & file this report. Motion carried.

VI. BOARD ACTION

A. Approval of 2023 Audit Reports (Financial Audit Report / Governance Letter & Single Audit / Federal Awards Report)

Motion made by Kathleen Schachman and supported by Deb Nagel to approve the FY 2023 Financial and Single Audit / Federal Awards Audit Reports. Motion carried.

B. 2024 CMH PAC Campaign

CMHA is again asking boards to contribute to the CMH PAC Campaign. Sandy reported CMHAM is doing a wonderful job representing the CMH System and encourages the Board to consider making the equivalent of one Board meeting stipend (\$50). If interested in contributing, go to <https://cmham.org/public-policy/cmh-pac/>. If you would rather contribute by check (or cash) please give it to Ryan and he will submit contributions to CMHA on your behalf. The goal is a \$500 collective contribution from board members and/or staff.

C. Appointment of Nominating Committee

Tracey Raquepaw, Board Chair, asked Cherie Long and Joan Williams to participate in an SCCMHA Nominating Committee and they agreed to do. Individuals interested in serving as Chair, Vice Chair or Secretary were asked to contact Cherie or Joan.

VII. BOARD INFORMATION

A. CMHA Weekly Update – APRIL 2024 links: <https://cmham.org/resources/weekly-update/>

B. SCCMHA CAC Minutes <https://www.sccmha.org/about/board-agendas-and-meetings.html>

C. May is Mental Health Awareness Month, Children's Mental Health Awareness Week (May 5-11) & Children's Mental Health Awareness Day (May 7)

D. SCCMHA has installed a vending machine at 500 Hancock

- E. SCCMHA Sponsorship of Kappa Alpha Psi Men's Health Fair on June 8th**
- F. MDHHS Email Announcement on Medicaid Health Plan Procurement Winners by Prosperity Region**

VIII. MEDIA / PUBLICATIONS

- A. WNEM 'Baby court program expanded to Saginaw Co.' 04/14/24**
- B. ABC-12 'Photos, models of proposed Saginaw Medical Diamond project revealed' – 04/17/24**
- C. ABC-12 'New Baby court program in Saginaw County working to keep kids with families' – 04/18/24**
- D. MLIVE 'State watchdog begins audit amid youth psychiatric center concerns' – 04/26/24**
- E. US HHS Press Release on Michigan First State to Implement Kinship Care**
- G. MDHHS Press Release Announcing Medicaid Health Plan Managed Care Procurement Winners by Prosperity Regions Map**

IX. OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

X. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Robert Woods supported by Mike Cierzniewski to adjourn this meeting at 6:13 PM p.m. Motion carried.

**Minutes prepared by:
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