

Mid-State Health Network (MSHN) Board of Directors Meeting
Tuesday, March 7, 2023
MyMichigan Medical Center
Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order

Ms. Amanda Ittner introduced MSHN newest staff members present: Stacey Lehmann and Keely Hapanowicz, Utilization Management Specialists; Michael Bradley, HCBS Waiver Coordinator; and Victoria Ellsworth, HSW Waiver Coordinator.

Chairperson Ed Woods called this meeting of the Mid-State Health Network Board of Directors to order at 5:07 p.m. Mr. Woods requested a moment of silence for students and first responders, which include Clinton, Eaton and Ingham Community Mental Health, to the Michigan State University (MSU) mass shooting and for fellow board member, Gretchen Nyland, who is currently experiencing medical issues.

2. Roll Call

Secretary Kurt Peasley provided the roll call for Board Members in attendance.

Board Member(s) Present: Joe Brehler (CEI), Ken DeLaat (Newaygo), David Griesing (Tuscola), Dan Grimshaw (Tuscola), Tina Hicks (Gratiot) – joined at 5:14 p.m., John Johansen (Montcalm), Deb McPeek-McFadden (Ionia), Kurt Peasley (Montcalm), Joe Phillips (CMH for Central Michigan), Tom Ryder (Bay-Arenac), Kerin Scanlon (CMH for Central Michigan), Richard Swartzendruber (Huron), Susan Twing (Newaygo), and Ed Woods (LifeWays)

Board Member(s) Remote: Jeanne Ladd (Shiawassee) – joined at 5:42 p.m., Irene O’Boyle (Gratiot)

Board Member(s) Absent: Brad Bohner (LifeWays), Bruce Cadwallender (Shiawassee), Pat McFarland (Bay-Arenac), Gretchen Nyland (Ionia), Tracey Raquepaw (Saginaw), and Beverly Wiltse (Huron)

Staff Member(s) Present: Joseph Sedlock (Chief Executive Officer), Amanda Ittner (Deputy Director), Leslie Thomas (Chief Financial Officer), Sherry Kletke (Executive Support Specialist), Cammie Myers (Utilization Management Administrator), Keely Hapanowicz (Utilization Management Specialist), Stacey Lehmann (Utilization Management Specialist), Michael Bradley (HCBS Waiver Coordinator) and Victoria Ellsworth (HSW Waiver Coordinator)

Staff Member(s) Remote: Dr. Dani Meier (Chief Clinical Officer)

Public Present: None

3. Approval of Agenda for March 7, 2023

Board approval was requested for the Agenda of the March 7, 2023, Regular Business Meeting.

MOTION BY KEN DeLAAT, SUPPORTED BY KURT PEASLEY, FOR APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA OF THE MARCH 7, 2023, REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING, AS PRESENTED.

MOTION CARRIED: 13-0.

4. Public Comment

An opportunity for public comment was provided. There was no public comment.

5. Equity Upstream Presentation

Dr. Dani Meier provided board members with an Equity Upstream presentation, which was included in the board meeting packet. Mr. Joseph Sedlock wished to thank Dr. Meier for putting together the presentation and spearheading the Equity Upstream initiative, which will likely become a model for the state and perhaps nationally. Board members directed questions to Dr. Meier.

6. FY2022 Board Self-Assessment

Ms. Irene O'Boyle summarized the FY2022 Board Self-Assessment results. The Board Self-Assessment trending report from FY2016 – FY2022 was included in board meeting packets. Nineteen (19) of the current twenty-two (22) Board members completed the survey, which equates to an 86% participation rate. Mr. Ed Woods expressed his appreciation to Ms. O'Boyle for taking the lead on the Board Self-Assessment project.

MOTION BY DEB McPEEK-McFADDEN, SUPPORTED BY JOHN JOHANSEN, TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE FY2022 BOARD SELF-ASSESSMENT REPORT. MOTION CARRIED: 14-0.

7. Continuation of the Regional Provider Staffing Crisis Stabilization Program through September 30, 2023.

The Mid-State Health Network (MSHN) Board of Directors originally approved this program for implementation in March 2022 which included funding for in-region behavioral health providers in their efforts to address staff recruitment, attraction, commitment to employment (and related onboarding costs), existing or new workforce retention strategies, temporary staffing costs, and other innovations intended to stabilize staffing.

Mid-State Health Network (MSHN) Administration proposed to expand this initiative from \$5M approved through March 31, 2023 to \$8M through September 30, 2023 in regional savings to continue to support all in-region behavioral health providers

(including substance use disorder prevention, treatment, and recovery providers) in their staffing stabilization crises they face. Board discussion included sustainability, provider efforts to organize for new post-pandemic realities, the likelihood that some providers, especially residential-type programs, will likely require subsidies to remain viable well into the future.

MOTION BY KURT PEASLEY, SUPPORTED BY TINA HICKS, TO DESIGNATE UP TO AN ADDITIONAL \$3M FOR A TOTAL OF \$8 MILLION (EIGHT MILLION DOLLARS) OF FY23 MSHN RESOURCES FOR THE PURPOSE OF STABILIZING AND ASSISTING ELIGIBLE PROVIDER ORGANIZATIONS CONTRACTED WITHIN THE REGION IN ADDRESSING WORKFORCE/STAFFING CRISES PURSUANT TO REGIONAL GUIDELINES ESTABLISHED BY MSHN, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2023. MOTION CARRIED: 14-0.

8. Reschedule May 2023 Board Meeting

The NatCon (the annual conference of the National Council for Mental Wellbeing) is being held this year on May 1 and May 2, 2023 in Los Angeles. Currently the MSHN Board Strategic Planning and Board of Directors meeting is scheduled on May 2. If the MSHN Board chooses to keep the current date, MSHN senior staff participating in board strategic planning would not be able to attend the national conference, Chairperson Ed Woods is the National Council Board Chairperson and must be at the conference and would therefore be absent from the board strategic planning and board meeting, and MSHN would not be able to offer board members the opportunity to attend NatCon 2023 on MSHN scholarship.

The Executive Committee considered these factors and recommends the board act to change the May strategic planning and board meeting to May 9, 2023 from 10:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the currently reserved location (MyMichigan Medical Center, Alma).

MOTION BY DEB McPEEK-McFADDEN, SUPPORTED BY TINA HICKS, TO RESCHEDULE THE MAY BOARD STRATEGIC PLANNING WORK SESSION (TO BEGIN AT 10:30 A.M.) AND BOARD MEETING (TO BEGIN AT 5:00 P.M.) TO MAY 9, 2023. MOTION CARRIED: 14-0.

9. Chief Executive Officer's Report

Mr. Joseph Sedlock discussed several items from within his written report to the Board highlighting the following:

- Michigan State University Mass Shooting
- MSHN Appeal of Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) Regional Site Review Citation on the Use of Ranges in Person-Centered Plans
- Equity, Health Disparities, Diversity, and Inclusion Work
- Michigan Legislation Tracking
- MSHN Offices 2nd Illegal entry

- MDHHS terminates the contract with American Association on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities for the use of the Supports Intensity Scale (SIS) Assessment tool on March 23, 2023

10. Deputy Director's Report

Ms. Amanda Ittner discussed several items in her written report to the board, highlighting the following:

- Performance Bonus Incentive Report FY22
- Increased Services to Veterans – FY22 Report
- Annual Compliance Summary Report FY22
- Regional Consumer Advisory Council (RCAC)

11. Chief Financial Officer's Report

Ms. Leslie Thomas provided an overview of the financial reports included within board meeting packets for the period ended January 31, 2023.

MOTION BY DAN GRIMSHAW, SUPPORTED BY DAVID GRIESING, TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION AND STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE PERIOD ENDING JANUARY 31, 2023, AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED: 14-0.

12. Contracts for Consideration/Approval

Ms. Leslie Thomas provided an overview of the revised FY2023 contract listing provided in the member folders which replaces the listing provided in the packet and requested the board authorize MSHN's CEO to sign and fully execute the contracts listed on the FY2023 contract listing.

MOTION BY KURT PEASLEY, SUPPORTED BY TINA HICKS, TO AUTHORIZE THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO SIGN AND FULLY EXECUTE THE CONTRACTS AS PRESENTED ON THE REVISED FY23 CONTRACT LISTING. MOTION CARRIED: 14-0.

13. Executive Committee Report

Mr. Ed Woods provided an overview from the February 2023 Executive Committee meeting, highlighting the following:

- The Executive Committee reviewed the annual litigation report and MSHN is not a named party in any litigation occurring in the region.
- The U.S. Public Health Emergency conclusion and CMHSPs working to re-enroll Medicaid beneficiaries.
- FY2022 Board Self-Evaluation
- May 2023 Strategic Planning and Board Meeting date change

- Board Member Compensation – The Policy Committee will discuss the current compensation rate at the April meeting.

14. Chairpersons Report

Mr. Ed Woods attended the recent Jackson County Commissioners meeting and shared information about behavioral health services and the vision and mission of MSHN. The Board of Commissioners Chair thanked Ed for bringing the information forward.

The National Council is having discussions regarding school mental health and offering more access to mental health services in schools.

15. Approval of Consent Agenda

Board approval was requested for items on the consent agenda as listed in the motion below, and as presented.

MOTION BY DEB McPEEK-McFADDEN, SUPPORTED BY TINA HICKS, TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA: APPROVE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 10, 2023 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING; RECEIVE BOARD EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 17, 2023; RECEIVE POLICY COMMITTEE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 14, 2023; RECEIVE OPERATIONS COUNCIL KEY DECISIONS OF JANUARY 23, 2023; AND TO APPROVE ALL THE FOLLOWING POLICIES: APPOINTED MEMBER COMPENSATION, BEHAVIOR TREATMENT PLANS, CONSUMER SATISFACTION SURVEY, CRITICAL INCIDENT, CRITICAL INCIDENT-SUD ONLY, EXTERNAL QUALITY REVIEW, MEDICAID EVENT VERIFICATION, MICHIGAN MISSION BASED PERFORMANCE INDICATOR SYSTEM (MMBPIS), MONITORING AND OVERSIGHT, PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT, QUALITY MANAGEMENT, REGIONAL PROVIDER MONITORING AND OVERSIGHT, RESEARCH, SENTINEL EVENTS. MOTION CARRIED: 14-0.

16. Other Business

Ms. Tina Hicks congratulated Mr. Ed Woods on his appointment as Board Chairperson to the National Council.

17. Public Comment

Mr. Joe Brehler wished to extend Clinton, Eaton, Ingham Community Mental Health's appreciation to the other Community Mental Health Service Programs (CMHSP) that assisted with the MSU mass shooting response.

Mr. Michael Bradley voiced appreciation of the MSHN appeal regarding the use of ranges in services. As a former Case Manager, he understands the burden placed on not just CMHSP staff, but also the person served.

18. Adjournment

The MSHN Board of Directors Regular Business Meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.