

The Right Door for Hope, Recovery and Wellness  
(Ionia County Community Mental Health)

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**Monday, July 25, 2022, 4 p.m.**  
**375 Apple Tree Drive**  
**Ionia, Michigan**

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Board Chairperson Deborah McPeek-McFadden called the meeting to order at 4 p.m.; roll call was taken by Linda Purcey.

**Member(s) Present:**

Mary Barker, Andrew Dinehart, Clinton Galloway, Nancy Haga, Mariah Lab, Melissa McKinstry, Gretchen Nyland, Nancy Patera, Linda Purcey

**Ex-Officio Member(s) Present:**

CEO Kerry Possehn and Board Chairperson Deborah McPeek-McFadden

**Member(s) Absent:**

Georgia Sharp, Ron Thomas (excused)

**Staff Present:**

Morgan Cashner, Brenda Charles, Nathan Derusha, Julie Dowling, Amanda Eveleth, Kristi Kieu, Teresa Martin, Jodi Mohr, Elizabeth Morgan, Maureen Perkins, Susan Richards, Jenny Scheurer (zoom), John Yarnall

2. Determination of Quorum

A quorum was determined to be present.

3. Public Comment

New employees were introduced. Morgan Cashner and Elizabeth Morgan started in May on the Homebased team. And John Yarnall started a few weeks ago in the role of Community Support worker as part of the Intensive Case Management team.

4. June 20, 2022 Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes

**Tabled until next month due to not being included within the packet**

5. June 27, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes

**MOVED by Melissa McKinstry and SUPPORTED by Nancy Haga to approve the minutes of the June 27, 2022 Board meeting as presented.**

**MOTION CARRIED unanimously.**

6. Acceptance of Agenda

**MOVED by Nancy Patera and SUPPORTED by Andrew Dinehart to accept the agenda as amended with item 4 being tabled.**

**MOTION CARRIED unanimously.**

7. Financial Statements – June 2022

CFO Nathan Derusha presented and reviewed the June 2022 financial statements.

8. Pending Contracts – July 2022

**MOVED by Melissa McKinstry and SUPPORTED by Linda Purcey to approve the pending contracts for July 2022 as presented.**

**MOTION CARRIED unanimously.**

9. Policy Review

**MOVED by Nancy Patera and SUPPORTED by Melissa McKinstry to approve Policies C-330 Guardianship, F-220 Assets, F-228 Reserve Account, F-233 Investments, F-300 Retirement Plan Investments, HR-560 Employee Records, HR-570 Disciplinary Process, HR-580 Severance of the Employee Relationship, RR-112 Rights of Minors, RR-114 Change in Type of Treatment, and RR-115 Comprehensive Examinations as presented.**

**MOTION CARRIED unanimously.**

10. Ionia Fiscal Office Renovation

**MOVED by Melissa McKinstry and SUPPORTED by Nancy Patera to approve the renovation of the Ionia fiscal office and accept the proposal from Hancock Building and Contracting as presented.**

**MOTION CARRIED unanimously.**

11. Quality Improvement

QI/Corporate Officer Susan Richards reviewed additional survey responses.

12. Mid-State Health Network Affiliation Report

Gretchen Nyland reported that MSHN is still providing services from home offices rather than their office building. She also stated that MSHN received \$133,000 block grant funds to be

distributed to providers most affected by COVID. Gretchen also reported that MSHN is tracking 51 state bills related to health services.

13. CMHA Report

There was no report.

14. CEO Report

CEO Possehn reviewed the report she distributed regarding inflation costs over the past three years. These figures are for the Midwest region. Discussion was held regarding the report. The Board will review the inflation costs again in September when they discuss the retention policy.

**MOVED by Clinton Galloway and SUPPORTED by Melissa McKinstry to approve a 1% base wage adjustment for all staff effective the first pay date of August, 2022.**

**MOTION CARRIED unanimously.**

CEO Possehn reviewed and discussed the MDHHS notice of proposed policy regarding state plan home and community-based services. She will provide feedback from the agency/board regarding the proposed policy. CEO Possehn and Julie Dowling met with Ionia Public Schools Superintendent Ben Gurk and Associate Superintendents Wayne Piercefield and Adrienne Barna today regarding the school social workers contract. We will continue to contract with them as they need the support in the schools. The school needs to increase their contract amount; we will submit a cost proposal. Linda Purcey provided CEO Possehn with a brochure regarding support of emergency responders; CEO Possehn will look into this further.

15. Other

Nancy Patera informed the Board that Krista Hausermann's dad, Rev. Carl Hausermann, passed away recently.

16. Board Meeting Wrap-Up June Review

Board meeting wrap-up questionnaire responses from June 2022 were included in the packet for review.

17. Board Meeting Wrap-Up Questionnaire

Board members were encouraged to complete the wrap-up questionnaire form which was included in the packet.

18. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:07 p.m

*Minutes submitted by Jenny Scheurer*