

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD**  
**August 17, 2017**  
**North Country Community Mental Health**  
**Commissioner's Room**  
**Antrim County Building**  
**203 E. Cayuga**  
**Bellaire, MI**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Karla Sherman (by phone), Robert Boyd, Christian Marcus, Louis Scholl, Dennis Priess, Paul Liss, Ed Ginop, Ron Iseler, Patty Cox, Caroline Loper, Betsy White, Michael Newman

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** Joel Evans, Sr. Augusta Stratz

**STAFF:** Christine Gebhard, Scott Shearer, Susan Clingan, Amy Christie, Joan Booth, Julie Moran, Stacy Chipman

**GUESTS:** Emily Havens, Dominique Havens and Diane Denholm

Mr. Ginop called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Mr. Ginop welcomed the Board members and staff to the meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**Financial Statement –**

Balance on Hand, June 30, 2017	\$3,901,808.51
Receipts, Adjustments & Transfers, July	\$4,201,475.07
Total Disbursements & Adjustments, July	\$3,596,264.69
Increase in Cash Balance	\$ 605,210.38
Balance, July 31, 2017	\$4,507,018.89

\*Approximately \$2,126,587 has been advanced from various funding sources and has been encumbered for outstanding bills.

\*\*Received Healthy Michigan Plan for June 2017, \$227,872 and B/B3 for June 2017, \$2,117,372 on July 6, 2017.

\*\*\*Received Healthy Michigan Plan for July 2017 \$227,856 and B/B3 for July 2017, \$2,072,292 on August 2, 2017.

**Information (I) Items from Committee reports**

Information items were included in the committee minutes.

**Privileging Recommendations**

There were no privileging recommendations this month.

**MOTION BY ROBERT BOYD, SECOND BY LOUIS SCHOLL, TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA. MOTION CARRIED.**

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS – BOARD ACTION**

**Finance Committee**

Mr. Liss reviewed the nine-month financial reports.

Mr. Liss reviewed the request by the IT department to continue the migration of the organizations email system to Microsoft Cloud. This expenditure was in the 2017 IT plan and FY17 budget.

**MOTION BY PAUL LISS TO APPROVE THE CONTINUATION OF THE MIGRATION OF THE AGENCY’S EMAIL SYSTEM TO MICROSOFT CLOUD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$12,220. MOTION CARRIED.**

Mr. Liss reviewed the statement of work from CDW-G for unscheduled technical support during the migration Mr. Balberde explained that it is impossible to anticipate all of the engineering requirements, but doesn’t expect to need this full amount.

**MOTION BY PAUL LISS TO APPROVE THE STATEMENT OF WORK FROM CDW-G FOR UNSCHEDULED AND/OR BREAK/FIX ENGINEERING AND CONSULTING SERVICES NOT TO EXCEED \$25,000. MOTION CARRIED.**

**ACTION ITEMS – WITHOUT COMMITTEE REVIEW**

Ms. Gebhard explained that a bathroom in the administration building had an overflow that went into the server room and took out the phone, network and internet services in all six counties. Third Level was immediately contacted to take over for emergencies; the hospitals were notified; and Joe Balberde had a restoration company come in for the server room. It will take a few days of drying out to determine how much damage was done.

## **PRESENTATION**

### **“Emily’s Story”**

Julie Moran introduced herself and Emily Havens who has been diagnosed with “William’s Syndrome”. She wants people to know about this illness and made a short video that she scripted and starred in telling about living with this syndrome. She explained its genesis; typical co-occurring diagnostics; her treatments and the stigma she faced. She described, enthusiastically, the positive aspects of the syndrome such as sociability, her hard work to succeed, and how she has used her own experiences toward her current strong advocacy on behalf of people with disabilities. Her mother was also in attendance and both answered questions from the Board members and were enthusiastic when it was suggested that this video might be a good teaching tool in schools.

### **Second Pop-Up Art Show**

Julie Moran distributed photos of artwork from the Pop up Art Show – “Art Speaks – Art has Heart”. Art allows people to grow. The response from the community about the art show was very positive. Ms. Moran reviewed the locations of the showings. She said that they are working with community partners to have some art classes. Then they will have a show where the art can be displayed and even sold. Art can express what having a disability in life is like. In December 2016 \$1,000 worth of art was sold.

### **Chief Executive Officer’s Report**

Ms. Gebhard noted that her report is on page 10 in the Board packet. She referred to the Crain’s publication and the article on Michigan beginning to design four pilot projects to test mental health integration and Section 298 in the Governor’s budget. She referred to the bullet points on page 15 on what the contracts with Medicaid HMOs must contain. Tom Renwick presented to the Board Association and gave some information about Section 298. The Department would involve the Board Association in developing the pilot. The 287 pilots cannot go forward under the current 1915 waivers. There will be an increase of \$.50/hr. for direct care workers. Autism rates increased \$32 million in Medicaid money.

On page 26 Ms. Gebhard discussed the House C.A.R.E.S. Task Force. Michigan has formed a task force and on page 29 is a list of the members. The task force will address the goals highlighted. They are doing 6 public hearings; although none are in rural areas in lower or upper Michigan. She would like to give testimony but an invitation is necessary to do so.

Ms. Gebhard informed the board that a client’s family is suing Munson Home Health ( a contract provider at the time of services) and the defendant’s attorney had subpoenaed four NCCMH staff, which were subsequently adjourned. MMRMA has assigned an attorney to support staff should they be subpoenaed again or should NCCMH be named in the lawsuit.

## **QUALITY IMPROVEMENT UPDATES**

Amy Christie distributed a Quality Improvement Update report. Over 100 records were audited during the quarterly claims validation audit and 97% was validated. She reviewed the indicator systems access timeliness for the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter and the impact screening of consumers seen within 7 days of discharge.

Northstar, the new electronic health record, is scheduled to Go-Live on Dec. 1. The communications group is working on training to communicate changes to staff.

## **NORTHERN MICHIGAN REGIONAL ENTITY**

Ms. Gebhard referred to the minutes.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business this month

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Ms. Gebhard reminded the Board that the meeting in September will be on the 28<sup>th</sup>. There will also be a Finance Committee meeting at 3:00 in September.

**MOTION BY ROBERT BOYD, SECOND BY CHRISTIAN MARCUS, TO  
ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 5:30 P.M. MOTION CARRIED.**

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Ed. Ginop