

NORTHCARE NETWORK SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER POLICY BOARD

April 20, 2022

NorthCare Network Board Room
1230 Wilson Street, Marquette, MI 49855

NORTHCARE NETWORK MISSION STATEMENT: NorthCare Network ensures that every eligible recipient receives quality specialty mental health and substance use disorder services and supports through the responsible management of regional resources.

Board Members Present: Bob Barron, Roy Britz, Randy Eckloff, Steven Gromala, Mike Koskinen, Ann Martin, Jim Moore, Nancy Morrison, Robert Nousiainen, Cathy Pullen, Craig Reiter

Board Members Not Present: Stephen Adamini, Joe Bonovetz, Jim Hill

NorthCare Staff/Guests: Judi Brugman, Dr. Tim Kangas

Recorder: Sandra Lambert, Executive Assistant to the CEO

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair Moore called meeting to order at 10:00 AM. Roll call was taken by Sandra Lambert, NorthCare Network Executive Assistant to the CEO. A quorum was present. Those in attendance stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA/APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Agenda: No change

Minutes: Updated Cathy Pullen's attendance location to Alger Co.

Motion made by Craig Reiter to approve the agenda and December 15, 2021 minutes as presented.

Support by Ann Martin.

All in favor, motion carried. Approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

BOARD CHAIR REPORT

Chair Moore welcomed all board members back to in-person meetings.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

a. FY21 Liquor Tax Receipt Summary

Judi Brugman, SAPT Director, reviewed the receipts.

b. FY22 YTD Prevention & Treatment Expenditures

Reviewed the YTD Prevention and Treatment report. Discussion held.

c. **FY 22 County Request Summary – Additional County Requests**

Report reviewed and discussion held on the additional county requests. Discussion held.

Motion made by Mike Koskinen to approve the additional county requests as presented.

Support by Robert Nousiainen.

All in favor, motion carried. Approved.

OTHER BUSINESS

a. SAPT Director Update

Judi Brugman, SAPT Director, discussed the SUD Conference scheduled for September 18-20 in Grand Rapids. This conference may be offered virtually too. NorthCare will pay the registration fee for 2 board members. If you are interested, please let Judi or Sandra know.

b. FY21 U.P. Syringe Service Data

Judi provided information regarding the Syringe Services being offered in all U.P. counties. It is a funded through grants, but those funds can't be used for the actual syringes due to federal regulations. Liquor tax funds can be used for syringes. This is a valuable community service in the U.P.

c. Opioid Settlement

NorthCare sent each U.P. County an informational packet regarding the Opioid Settlement, requirements, and NorthCare's willingness to collaborate with the counties. Dr. Kangas discussed NorthCare's SUD Strategic Plan. Board discussion held.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENT

Craig Reiter commented on Rep. Whiteford's House Bill and a resolution he will be providing at the U.P. County Commissioners conference. He discussed the need to support the PIHP to keep local control in our region.

Bob Barron commented on being newer to the board, trying to understand the system, if it is working, and a resolution that came to Delta Co. regarding the Shirkey bill.

Both Nancy Morrison and Cathy Pullen commented on privatization (for-profit) vs. public mental health system.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Dr. Kangas commented on the board discussion regarding legislation bills, system redesign, and local control. He discussed how County Board of Commissioners appoint members to their local CMH boards and the CMHs then appoint 3 board members to NorthCare Network's Governing Board.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. Officer Elections

MEETING SCHEDULE

Next Meeting will be August 17, 2022 from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM (EST)

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Craig Reiter to adjourn meeting. Support by Mike Koskinen.

All in favor, motion carried. Approved

Chair Moore declared the meeting adjourned at 11:14 AM.

Recorded By: Sandra Lambert, Executive Assistant to the CEO