

GENESEE HEALTH SYSTEM
420 W. 5th Avenue
Flint, MI 48503
Board Room
Board of Directors Meeting
January 28, 2021
Via ZOOM

Board Members Present:

Board Members Absent:

The meeting was called to order at 4:09 p.m.

I. Adoption of Agenda

(Resolution 01-01-21)

Reeves moved, Alexander supported the motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion carried

II. Approval of Minutes

(Resolution 01-02-21)

Ellenburg moved, Reeves supported the motion to approve the minutes of the December 17, 2020 Board of Directors meeting as submitted.

Motion carried

III. Public Participation

Ramona Deese, Linden Michigan

I am a NAMI Genesee County Board member and spokesperson for the organization. As a 501C3 non-profit organization NAMI is prevented by law from taking a position for or against any proposal or candidate on an election ballot.

K. McCree introduced new board member Charles Winfrey. Mr. Winfrey is a Genesee County Commissioner and the Executive Director of the McCree Theater. Mr. Winfrey is looking forward to serving on the board. Board members and staff present in the meeting introduced themselves.

IV. Consent Agenda

(Resolution 01-03-21)

Reeves moved, Boles supported the motion to approve the minutes under the consent agenda.

Motion carried

V. Finance Committee

Presented by A. Reeves, *Finance Committee chair*
(Resolution 01-04-21)

Reeves moved, Boles supported the motion to approve the December 2020 vouchers as presented.

Motion carried

(Resolution 01-05-21)

Reeves moved, Boles supported the motion to approve the contract items 1-4 of the Finance Committee minutes.

Motion carried

(Resolution 01-06-21)

Boles moved, Ellenburg supported the motion to approve the FY2020 3rd Quarter GHS Budget Amendment as presented.

Motion carried

VI. Chair Report

McCree presented the February 2021 meeting calendar, and the December Region 10 Board of Directors minutes. McCree noted that GHS has signed a letter of support for a Train the Trainers program for Mental Health First Aid. He also noted that MDHHS director Robert Gordon resigned January 22nd, and noted Elizabeth Hertel was appointed by Governor Whitmer as the new director.

VII. Executive Director's Report

D. Russell presented an addendum to the co-applicant agreement between GHS and Genesee Community Health Center (GCHC). The addendum is for the purposes of updating the signatures after review of the agreement by GHS and GCHC. The agreement was reviewed and approved without changes at the December 11, 2020 GCHC Board of Directors Meeting. Russell requested board approval to sign the agreement.

(Resolution 01-07-21)

Boles moved, Reeves supported the motion to authorize signing the GHS/GCHC co-applicant agreement.

Motion carried

Russell next gave an update on Robert Gordon's resignation. The new director, Elizabeth Hertel, is very well known in behavioral health circles and her appointment is looked on as a very positive development for MDHHS.

Russell informed the board that the County Commission approved our millage proposal for the May 2021 ballot by a vote of 5-3. He thanked Commissioners Ellenburg and Winfrey for their support, and noted that now the work begins to get the word out and to educate the public about the proposal. Russell felt that there was a lot of support for the millage on the commission despite the close vote. Ellenburg noted that extra educational effort would be required in the Fenton/Linden areas.

Finally Russell presented a plaque from the Board of Directors to Brian Swiecicki, who is retiring effective January 29, 2021 after 20 years of service to the consumers, staff and community. Swiecicki thanked the board for the support and encouragement through the years that allowed GHS to be innovative and accomplish things that seemed beyond our reach.

VIII. Other Business

None

IX. Public Participation

None

With nothing further to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 4:44 p.m.
Submitted by Lisa Polmanteer, Executive Assistant