

GENESEE HEALTH SYSTEM  
420 W. 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Flint, MI 48503  
Board of Directors Meeting  
March 24, 2022

Board Members Present: K. Boles, *chair*, M. Danic, E. Ellenburg, P. Henry, J. Johnson, G. Jones, A. Reeves, and C. Winfrey

Board Members Absent: P. Alexander, W. Cole, K. McCree, and R. Speed

The meeting was called to order 4:12 p.m.

I. Adoption of Agenda

(Resolution 03-21-22)

Boles requested the agenda be re-ordered so the Board can take care of essential business while a quorum is present. Finance and the Executive Director's report have been moved to immediately following public participation.

Ellenburg moved, Jones supported the motion to approve the agenda as amended

*Motion carried*

II. Approval of Minutes

(Resolution 03-22-22)

Jones moved, Winfrey supported the motion to approve the minutes of the February 24, 2022 Board of Directors meeting as submitted.

*Motion carried*

III. Public Participation

Patrick Henry, 8411 Old Plank Rd., Grand Blanc, MI 48439 presented a concern to the board regarding his son's medical coordination of care. Son is with Odyssey House and is not open about his medical issues. His meds aren't being filled per his Rx, and he was admitted to the hospital with a possible life-threatening condition. Mr. Henry does not know if a critical incident report was filed, and is concerned there may be a program-level issue.

Dan McNeill, owner of Serenity Gardens LLC, 110 W. Lansing Rd., Gaines, MI 48436 H 989.271.6073 C 810.931.8644 Mr. McNeill requested an email be read into the record regarding Darren McAllister, GHS Provider Network Manager. Mr. McNeill stated: My Name is Dan McNeill owner of Serenity Gardens LLC at 110 W. Lansing Gaines MI 48436.

I also live on site as it is an AFC family home. My concern is with Darren McAlister and his actions. I'm told by all case managers there is a lengthy waiting list for specialized residential care. I have specialized Residents so if got my license through the state. Mr. McAlister refuses to pay the correct rate for specialized and blames Case Manager Teriani Thomas from Hope Network. As Mr. McAlister has played the blame game to delay.

I have talked to many people, state (Lara), and other counties (Shiawassee). Shiawassee County gave me Erin Lewis direct number as she "will do right for the clients unlike Mr. McAlister" dislike Mr. McAlister. The list of people negatively discussing actions a Genesee county is far longer, I'm just listing the most important to this matter.

That was direct quote from the head of the neighboring county. I reached out to Erin and she scheduled a zoom meeting with all parties to resolve issue, Mr. McAlister canceled it just hours before and telling me I'm Erin boss so I say it's canceled. Which lets me know he treats people there terrible as well and they probably would talk to the news channels. That pretty sad when a man is known for abusing clients for whatever his reason is. You should also wonder how I'm Genesee county house and got my specialized license without letter of intent from Mr. McAlister. Hint: Because the state doesn't agree with his actions and assisted. I've asked Mr. McAlister in writing for his supervisor contact info Karry Steel many times and he refuses to provide.

In summary: I feel the board should be made aware of the not paying for specialized resident in a specialized licensed home with an enormous Waiting list for specialized beds. This action hurts the clients the most and the public needs to know how a non-profit group formed to help is being run.

IV. Finance Committee Business

Presented by Glen Chipman, GHS CFO

Chipman presented the vouchers, totaling \$10,412,943.27 and covering the period of 02-01-22 through 02-28-22, for approval. A brief discussion followed

(Resolution 03-24-22)

Reeves moved, Johnson supported the motion to approve the vouchers as presented.

*Motion carried*

Chipman presented the executive summary of contracts to the board. Included in the summary were four contract amendments, three new contracts, and one item of other business. A discussion followed the presentation of the contracts.

(Resolution 03-25-22)

Reeves moved, Jones supported the motion to approve the contract amendments as presented.

*Motion carried*

(Resolution 03-26-22)

Jones moved, Johnson supported the motion to approve the new contracts as presented.

*Motion carried*

(Resolution 03-27-22)

Ellenburg moved, Winfrey supported the motion to approve the contract item under "other", a \$2,000 retention bonus for direct and contracted staff from R10.

*Motion carried*

A copy of the Executive Finance Summary will be on file with the minutes.

This concluded the presentation of the Finance Committee business.

V. Executive Director's Report

D. Russell presented the MOA between Genesee County and GHS for the Mental Health Millage. The agreement is good for one year. Russell highlighted some issues that are not ideal for us, but the agreement is good enough to move forward. We are a quarter of the way through the calendar year and haven't received any millage funds yet. We need to move forward and work on renegotiating the agreement for next year. Russell thanked Josh Freeman for all of his hard work on getting the MOA to this point. Russell requested board approval to sign the MOA. Discussion followed.

(Resolution 03-28-22)

Reeves moved, Winfrey supported the motion to approve D. Russell to sign the MOA between Genesee County and GHS for release of the Mental Health Millage funds to GHS.  
*Motion carried*

Russell updated the Board on the Shirkey bills, which are lingering now. It is still believed he does not have enough support to pass the bills. Russell will keep the board informed on any progress.

Russell stated the agency is doing the best we can covering the positions left vacant by the vaccine mandate. Staff are really stepping up, which is why the agency is in favor of the retention bonus offered by R10. It has been a very difficult time, and we have been posting and interviewing for multiple positions left vacant. It has been very difficult but consumers are not being harmed thanks to GHS staff.

Lastly Russell advised that GHS and the Greater Flint Mental Health Facilities Board are exploring the feasibility of hiring a lobbyist to help access funding in support of new building projects. Russell stated there is a lot of money available if you know who to ask and where to look. A lobbyist would help with that. Reeves stated she thinks this is a good thing to do, but we should have a plan in place for how to use the money.

VI. Corporate Compliance Committee

Lisa Shumpert, GHS Corporate Compliance Officer, presented the Aggregate Report of Compliance Activity for Fiscal year 2021. This report contains a monthly breakdown of complaint sources, with most of the reports being received via e-mail, and also the types of complaints received. Shumpert explained the different ways staff can report violations or concerns, or just ask questions. The report for FY2020 was included for comparison. Shumpert noted that verbal reports are still down.

Shumpert noted there were 362 total reports, 418 subpoenas, which are not included in this total, and 50 reports made to Region 10 PIHP, with 31 of those substantiated, 12 unsubstantiated, and 7 pending. The pending actions are billing related. The PIHP reports to the OIG.

(Resolution 03-29-22)

Winfrey moved, Jones supported the motion to approve the FY2021 Yearly Aggregate Report.

*Motion carried*

Next Shumpert presented GHS policy 01-007-11 Board of Directors Conflict of Interest Shumpert briefly reviewed the policy, and then presented the annual Conflict of Interest Statements for board members to sign and return. The statements will be reviewed at a future date.

VII. DEI Committee

Presented by Shawn Edwards, GHS Senior Director of Engagement, Diversity, and Inclusion; Training/Education & Customer Services. Mrs. Edwards highlighted some new initiatives taking place at GHS. The first is a new DEI question being added to every applicant interview. The agency also sponsored a Black History Jeopardy tournament which saw 8 teams competing. Edwards also reported on how the agency is celebrating inclusivity by hanging large banners for Black History Month, Women's History Month, and will do so for Autism Awareness, Erasing the "R" Word in May and Pride month in June.

Edwards noted there have been 21 listening circles completed in the past year, that all but 6 GHS staff have completed Implicit Bias training, and that GHS has presented on our DEI Initiatives at the CMHA Fall Conference and will be presenting at the annual RRAC conference and Self-Determination Conferences in 2022.

VIII. Program & Evaluation Committee Business

C. Winfrey presented the Crisis Supports and Hospital Admission report for the board's review. A brief discussion followed.

(Resolution 03-30-22)

Jones moved, Cole supported the motion to approve the Crisis Supports and Hospital Admissions reports as presented.

*Motion carried*

Next Winfrey presented the Water Crisis Report for informational purposes only.

There were no public participation or subcommittee reports for the month of February, and nothing to report for the R10 SUD Advisory Committee for March.

This concluded the presentation of the Program and Evaluation Committee business.

IX. Consent Agenda

(Resolution 03-31-22)

Jones moved, Reeves supported the motion to approve the minutes under the consent agenda. *Motion carried*

X. Chair Report

K. Boles presented the April 2022 meeting calendar to the board members. There will, once again, be one meeting held in April. Boles will email board members with a poll about availability for meetings. The R10 Board of Directors Minutes for February 2022 were not yet available.

Boles next presented a Resolution to Confirm Support of Sexual/Gender Diverse Children and Adolescents in Genesee County and Commitment to Function as a Welcoming and Inclusive Organization. A brief discussion followed.

(Resolution 03-32-22)

Winfrey moved, Jones supported the motion to pass the above resolution.

*Motion carried*

XI. Other Business

CMHA now has an option to pay by credit card for their yearly fundraising drive. Russell will re-send the email with the link.

With nothing further to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:39 p.m.  
Submitted by Lisa Polmanteer, Executive Assistant



