

GENESEE HEALTH SYSTEM
420 W. 5th Avenue
Flint, MI 48503
Board Room

Board of Directors Meeting
September 27, 2018

Board Members Present:

K. McCree, *chair*; T. Bankert, P. Adams, J. Bernard, W. Cole, M. Cousineau, E. Ellenburg, L. Keller, A. Reeves, J. Shultz

Board Members Absent:

B. Clack, W. Coffell

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m.

I. Adoption of Agenda

(Resolution 09-72-18)

Shultz moved, Keller supported the motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion carried

II. Approval of Minutes

(Resolution 09-73-18)

Shultz moved, Reeves supported the motion to approve the minutes of the August 23, 2018 Board of Directors meeting.

Motion carried

III. Public Participation

Diana McKittrick from Communication Access Center addressed the Board. She is concerned about a lack of representation of the deaf and hard of hearing community on boards and programs at GHS. She stated that, while some of our services are accessible, many are not, including our website which is entirely text based. It would be helpful to have videos in ASL on our website for deaf and hard of hearing consumers who do not read. It would also be helpful to have services listed that were specifically for the deaf and hard of hearing community. At the moment it looks like we offer no services to them at all.

D. Russell stated he will gather information and work with Ms. McKittrick to address her concerns.

Chris Flores, District Director for the 5th District for Congressman Dan Kildee, introduced himself to the Board. Mr. Flores has been active in the Flint substance use disorder community for many years, and still serves on the Board of Directors for Hurley Hospital.

IV. Consent Agenda

(Resolution 09-74-18)

Keller moved, Adams supported the motion to approve the items under the consent agenda.

Motion carried

VI. Finance Committee Report, Linda Keller, Chair

(Resolution 09-75-18)

Keller moved, Shultz supported the motion to approve the August 2018 vouchers as presented.

Motion carried

(Resolution 09-76-18)

Keller moved, Shultz supported the motion to approve the contracts items 1 thru 4 as presented.

Motion carried

(Resolution 09-77-18)

Keller moved, Reeves supported the motion to approve the contract item 5, as presented.

Motion carried

(Resolution 09-78-18)

Keller moved, Reeves supported the motion to approve the FY18 3rd Quarter Budget Amendment (Fund 222) as presented.

Motion carried

(Resolution 09-79-18)

Keller moved, Shultz supported the motion to approve the FY19 GHS General Operating Fund (222) Budget as presented.

Motion carried

(Resolution 09-80-18)

Keller moved, Shultz supported the motion to approve the FY19 Region 10 PIHP Budget (Fund 822) as presented.

Motion carried

(Resolution 09-81-18)

Keller moved, Shultz supported the motion to approve the 2017 GHS OPEB Actuarial Valuation Report as presented.

Motion carried

(Resolution 09-82-18)

Keller moved, Reeves supported the motion to approve the salary increase due to contract negotiations for both AFSCME and non-union employees as presented.

Motion carried

(Resolution 09-83-18)

Keller moved, Adams supported the motion to approve one time grants to Genesee County Adult Mental Health Court and the Vista Drop-in Center.

Motion carried

(Resolution 09-84-18)

Keller moved, Reeves supported the motion to approve the FY19 Operating Budget for Genesee Community Health Center.

Motion carried

VII. Chair Report

K. McCree presented the October 2018 meeting calendar along with the FY 2019 meeting calendar. He noted that in November, the Program and Evaluation Committee meeting will be combined with the regular Board of Directors meeting on November 15th, due to the Thanksgiving Holiday.

T. Bankert reported on the Consumer Council meeting. MTA presented to the members, and there was a lot of confusion about when to call which bus service. He asked if we could maybe put something on our website, like an infographic, that might help clear things up.

W. Cole reported on the SUD Advisory Committee, and asked that the Board vote on a resolution opposing the legalization of recreational marijuana. K. McCree read the language of the proposed resolution, which is as follows:

“Resolution Opposing the Legalization of Marijuana for General Use in Genesee County Communities. (This resolution does not relate to the use of marijuana approved for medical purposes in compliance with current state law)

Whereas, proposals to legalize the general use of marijuana are being placed on the ballot across Michigan; and

Whereas, general marijuana use and possession is not permitted by federal and state law; and
Whereas, *The National Institute on Drug Abuse* reports that 1 in 6 teens that use marijuana become addicted to its use; and Marijuana is now the number one reason kids enter treatment for substance abuse – more than alcohol, cocaine heroin, meth, ecstasy, and other drugs combined; and

Whereas, *Healthy and Productive Michigan* reports marijuana-impaired driver related fatalities have more than doubled from 2012 to 2016, rising from 78 fatalities in 2012 to 159 fatalities in 2016; and

Whereas, increased consumption of marijuana would likely lead to higher public health and financial costs for society. Addictive substances like alcohol and tobacco already result in much

higher social costs than the revenue they generate. The cost to society of alcohol alone is estimated to be more than 15 times the revenue gained by their taxation; and
Whereas, Smart Approaches to Marijuana reports employees who tested positive for marijuana were 85% more likely to have had a workplace injury compared to the control group who tested negative; and
Whereas, it is not possible to foresee and mitigate all the associated risks and impact to our communities through the legalization of marijuana for general use; and
Wherefore Be It Resolved, Genesee Health System is opposed to the legalization of marijuana for general use; and
Be It Further Resolved, Genesee Health System encourages other communities to oppose the legalization of marijuana for general use, including the adoption of similar resolutions in opposition to the legalization of non-medical marijuana.”

Discussion followed the reading of the resolution. Carrie Chanter, Manager of Co-occurring Service Integration for GHS, provided further information to the Board. Ms. Chanter stated organizations like the Genesee County Prevention Coalition, the Genesee County Board of Health, the Greater Flint Health Coalition, 1 PIHP, and a few CMHs have already adopted this resolution. T. Bankert is opposed to the adoption of this resolution.

(Resolution 09-85-18)

Shultz moved, Cole supported the motion to adopt the Resolution Opposing the Legalization of Marijuana for General Use in Genesee County.

Motion carried; 8 votes for, 2 votes opposed

The Region 10 August meeting minutes were presented. Cole reported on the annual SUD Conference, stating there were several good presentations, including on the integration of physical health and SUD treatment. Cole requested a training with GCHC in the future on integration.

(Resolution 09-86-18)

Shultz moved, Cole supported the motion to add the Executive Summary Add-On to the agenda.

Motion carried

B. Swiecicki presented the Add-on, and RFP/RFQ/RFI for BDO, USA, LLP for Financial Audit Services. The contract terms will be for 3 years with two 1-year extensions, which is standard.

(Resolution 09-87-18)

Shultz moved, Reeves supported the motion to approve the RFP/RFQ/RFI for BDO, USA, LLP for Financial Audit Services.

Motion carried

McCree also noted that any board member wishing to attend the Fall Conference should let L. Polmanteer know by the end of today’s meeting.

VIII. Executive Director's Report

D. Russell presented the FY2019 contract with Region 10 and requested board approval to sign. The contract contains the usual language with minimal changes from previous years and nothing problematic.

(Resolution 09-88-18)

Shultz moved, Keller supported the motion to authorize D. Russell to sign the FY2019 contract with Region 10 PIHP. T. Bankert abstained from voting due to not being able to review the contract prior to voting.

Motion carried

In a 298 update, Russell stated the state is looking to have one PIHP manage all the unenrolled, and will be awarded via an RFP. There is still discussion around how that will look. There is also still discussion about GHS taking back SUD, with no definitive answer, but the state has also not yet said no. Russell outlined some possible consequences of the 298 proposal if it passes or if it goes away.

We were awarded a grant for the Help Centers from CS Mott Foundation, which will keep the centers open through December 31, 2018. After that it is not clear what will happen.

Regarding the lawsuit vs. the County our attorneys have stated that the County is not forthcoming with requested documents in a timely fashion. Otherwise it is continuing to go forward.

Jim Milanowski from Genesee Health Plan will be at the October Program and Evaluation Committee Meeting to talk about the GHP millage proposal on the November ballot.

Russell also highlighted the personnel changes at the state.

IX. Other Business

Questions regarding our policy on providing an interpreter and adding modules for people with vision impairment to our website. Russell will report on his findings and what can be done at October P&E during Public Participation follow-up.

X. Public Participation

Naomi Schmalt from Montrose addressed the board with her concerns regarding Section 8 housing going completely smoke-free after April 1, 2019. Ms. Schmalt also addressed the confusion regarding Your Ride, and stated she was told that in order to use Ride to Wellness, you had to first check with your insurance provider to see if they also offered transportation. If your insurance provider won't help you, then you can use Ride To Wellness. Ms. Schmalt also stated that 3 deaf members have left the Consumer Council because of frustrations over the unreliable interpreters. Many times they were scheduled but did not show up.

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