

GENESEE HEALTH SYSTEM  
705 Dort Hwy  
Flint, MI 48503  
Board of Directors Meeting  
November 18, 2021

Board Members Present: K. Boles, *chair*, P. Alexander, W. Cole, P. Henry, A. Reeves, R. Speed, and C. Winfrey

Board Members Absent: M. Danic, E. Ellenburg, J. Johnson, K. McCree

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

I. Adoption of Agenda

(Resolution 11-87-21)

Alexander moved, Cole supported the motion to approve the agenda as presented  
*Motion carried*

II. Approval of Minutes

(Resolution 11-88-21)

Cole moved, Winfrey supported the motion to approve the minutes of the October 28, 2021 Board of Directors meeting as submitted.  
*Motion carried*

III. Public Participation

None

IV. Finance Committee Business

Presented by A. Reeves

Reeves presented the vouchers, totaling \$6,980,941.30 and covering the period of 10-01-21 through 1-31-21, for approval. There was no discussion on the vouchers.  
(Resolution 11-89-21)

Alexander moved, Cole supported the motion to approve the vouchers as presented.  
*Motion carried*

G. Chipman presented item 1 of the executive finance summary, amendments, for review. Rate increases were proposed for the contracts with Genoa Healthcare Med Drop Program, Behavioral Health Response (BHR), and a Covid-19 Temporary Rate Increase for Direct Care Workers. A brief discussion followed.

(Resolution 11-90-21)

Cole moved, Alexander supported the motion to approve the Amendment.  
*Motion carried*

Chipman presented item 2 of the executive finance summary, new contracts, for review. New contracts were proposed with Safehaus Children's Intensive Crisis Residential, and a property use and assistance agreement with Cohen Milstein Sellers & Toll, PLLC and Pitt

McGehee Palmer Bonanni & Rivers PC. This agreement is not a lease. A brief discussion followed.

(Resolution 11-91-21)

Henry moved, Winfrey supported the motion to approve the new contracts.

*Motion carried*

Item 3 of the executive summary were an RFP and an RFQ. The RFQ is to purchase internet bandwidth from Everstream, and the RFP is for a residential 6 bed MI specific home awarded to ResCare Premier, Inc. dba Community Alternatives Michigan. A brief discussion followed.

(Resolution 11-92-21)

Cole moved, Alexander supported the motion to approve the RFP/RFQ.

*Motion carried*

Item 4 on the executive summary, other, was additional funding to be provided to Genesee County Adult Mental Health Court to supplement attorney fees, and the purchase of office furniture from Kentwood Office Furniture, for the executive conference room and executive office suite. A brief discussion followed.

(Resolution 11-93-21)

Cole moved, Alexander supported the motion to approve item 4 on the executive summary of contracts.

*Motion carried*

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

This concluded the presentation of the Finance Committee report.

V. Program & Evaluation Committee Business

R. Speed presented the Crisis Supports and Hospital Admission report for the board's review.

(Resolution 11-95-21)

Reeves moved, Cole supported the motion to approve the Crisis Supports and Hospital Admissions reports.

*Motion carried*

Next Speed presented the Water Crisis Report for informational purposes only. There was no discussion.

There were no public participation or subcommittee reports for the month of November.

W. Cole stated there was nothing out of the ordinary at the R10 SUD Advisory Committee meeting.

VI. Consent Agenda

(Resolution 11-97-21)

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

*Motion carried*

VII. Chair Report

K. Boles presented the December meeting calendar to the board members and noted that there will be one meeting covering the Finance Committee, Program & Evaluation Committee, and the Board of Directors in December. Details are still being worked out for the annual Holiday Tea, which will be virtual again this year. Boles also noted the R10 Board of Directors meeting minutes were included with the packets.

Next Boles presented the 2021 Board of Directors Award nominees.

(Resolution 11-98-21)

Cole moved, Winfrey supported the motion to approve the nominees for the 2021 Board of Directors Awards.

*Motion carried*

VIII. Executive Director's Report

D. Russell discussed the Board Association's request for funds for advertising and noted he will present a more detailed report on the request in December.

Next Russell gave an update on the vaccine mandate. Russell noted that we are seeking clarity as to whether the agency falls under the mandate from OSHA, which allows a testing option for unvaccinated staff, or the CMS mandate, which does not. Both mandates allow staff to file for medical or religious exemptions. The definition of a medical exemption is very narrow. Religious exemptions allow for any sincerely held religious belief. We are going ahead with the exemption process and have designated a committee for consideration of any exemptions filed.

IX. Other Business

None

With nothing further to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 4:56 p.m.

Submitted by Lisa Polmanteer, Executive Assistant