

GENESEE HEALTH SYSTEM
705 Dort Hwy
Flint, MI 48503
Board of Directors Meeting
December 16, 2021

Board Members Present: K. Boles, *chair*, E. Ellenburg, G. Jones, P. Henry, K. McCree, A. Reeves, R. Speed, and C. Winfrey

Board Members Absent: P. Alexander, W. Cole, M. Danic, and J. Johnson

The meeting was called to order at 4:01 p.m.

I. Adoption of Agenda

(Resolution 12-99-21)

Reeves moved, Ellenburg supported the motion to approve the agenda as presented
Motion carried

II. Approval of Minutes

(Resolution 12-100-21)

Reeves moved, Winfrey supported the motion to approve the minutes of the November 18, 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 \$6,715,763.10 and covering the period of 11-01-21 through 11-30-21, for approval. A brief discussion followed

(Resolution 12-101-21-21)

Jones moved, McCree supported the motion to approve the vouchers as presented.

Motion carried

G. Chipman presented the first two items of item 1 of the executive finance summary, amendments, for review. This included GHS Standard Rate Increases for Autism Services and Private Duty Nursing to mirror the current MDHHS reimbursement rates, and Residential Negotiated Rates for In and Out of Network Providers. A brief discussion followed.

(Resolution 12-102-21)

McCree moved, Winfrey supported the motion to approve items 1 and 2 under contract amendments.

Motion carried

Chipman presented the third item under the amendments, a renegotiation of the inpatient per diem rate approved at the September Board meeting for Healthsource Saginaw. A brief discussion followed.

(Resolution 12-103-21)

McCree moved, Henry supported the motion to approve item 3 under contract amendments.

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. Reeves noted that the percentage of calls answered within 30 seconds went up considerably.

(Resolution 12-104-21)

Reeves moved, McCree 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, and W. Cole was not present to provide a report on the R10 SUD Advisory Committee meeting.

VI. Consent Agenda

(Resolution 12-105-21)

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

Motion carried

VII. Chair Report

K. Boles presented the January 2022 meeting calendar to the board members and noted that while the Human Resources and Finance Committees will be meeting on their usual dates, the Program & Evaluation Committee will once again be combined with the Board of Directors Meeting. The meetings will be held in the Board Room at 420 W. 5th Avenue going forward. Boles also reminded the Board that remote participation in meetings will only be allowed if the Board member is on active duty military service. Board members may still

attend the meetings via remote means, but they will not be counted towards a quorum and may not vote.

Boles also noted that, despite some opposition, the R10 Board of Directors did approve moving forward with the purchase of a new building. The R10 minutes were included in the board packets.

Boles presented the Recipient Rights Advisory Committee minutes and requested approval of the 2021 ORR Annual Report.

(Resolution 12-106-21)

McCree moved, Winfrey supported the motion to approve the 2021 ORR Annual Report as presented.

Motion carried

VIII. Executive Director's Report

D. Russell reported that construction of the new children's building is on schedule and going well. The building should be completed sometime in June or July 2022. Russell encouraged board members to drive by the site to see how construction is going.

Next Russell gave an update on the vaccine mandate. The US Court of Appeals for the 5th Circuit overturned the nationwide injunction against the CMS vaccine mandate. This means the mandate will go forward for all but the 14 original states. We are now waiting to see if CMS will update compliance dates or make changes to its enforcement policy. Approximately 95% of GHS staff are vaccinated, but our unvaccinated individuals are almost 100% patient facing.

Finally, Russell asked the board to approve a special assessment for the CMHA Advocacy Fund, which will be used for advertising and education to oppose MI Senate Bills 597 and 598 (proposed by Senator Shirkey). The bills did not move in the final legislative session of 2021, which means they will be brought up again in 2022. Russell said typical donation amounts have been \$20,000, and asked the board to approve \$25,000.

(Resolution 12-107-21)

Reeves moved, Winfrey supported the motion to approve the special assessment of \$25,000 to the CMHA Advocacy Fund.

Motion carried

Lastly, Russell noted that the new Open Meetings act will go into effect on 01-01-2022. He stated there is some talk of tweaking to allow more reasons for remote attendance, but it is not a priority at the State level, so it is unlikely to be revisited until the 2nd quarter of 2022.

IX. Other Business

McCree noted that it was nice to see Flint and GHS mention in the recent Crain's article that was shared with the Board.

With nothing further to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 4:37 p.m.

Submitted by Lisa Polmanteer, Executive Assistant