



Administrative Office, 105 Hall Street, Suite A, Traverse City, MI 49684

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

February 18, 2021

2:15 p.m.

Northern Lakes Community Mental Health Authority – Microsoft Teams Meeting (Virtual)

Called to order at 2:15 p.m. by Randy Kamps.

Board Members Present: Grayling - Sherry Powers. Virtual or by Phone – Nicole Miller, Nina Zamora, Pam Babcock, Ben Townsend, Ty Wessell, Betty Bushey, Mary Marois, Rose Denny, Dan Lathrop, Angela Griffis, and Randy Kamps.

Board Members Absent: Dean Vivian (advance notice), Sherise Shively (advance notice), Al Cambridge (advance notice), and Lorelei King (advance notice).

Others Present: Virtual – Karl Kovacs, Chief Executive Officer; Joanie Blamer, Chief Population Officer for Mental Health Services; Deb Lavender, Executive Secretary; Tracy Andrews, Director of Integrated and Managed Health Services; Kari Barker, Director of Quality and Compliance; Darryl Washington, Director of Long Term Care and Support Services; Lauri Fischer, Chief Financial Officer; Matt Leiter, Director of Human Resources; Dan Mauk, Chief Information Officer; Brie Molaison, Customer Services Specialist; Aaron Fader, Executive Administrative Specialist; Andy Babcock; and Penny Morris.

Confirmation of a Quorum-yes

Timekeeper – Rose Denny

1. CALL TO ORDER:

2. AGENDA:

MOTION:	Accept the Agenda for February 18, 2021
RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Betty Bushey
SECONDER:	Rose Denny

3. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION:

No conflict of interest was declared.

4. CONSENT AGENDA:

A. *Consideration of the Consent Agenda*

MOTION:	Accept the Consent Agenda for February 18, 2021
RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Rose Denny
SECONDER:	Ty Wessell

OWNERSHIP LINKAGE:

B. *Citizen Comment* – Joanie Blamer read a communication from the Consumer Advisory Council asking the Board to consider forwarding to the Grand Traverse County Commission a statement

either as a Board or request the CEO to forward. There was concern about the statement from Commissioner Hentschel made about Mr. Clous.

MOTION:	Consider the communication that was presented to the Board and take a vote with the motion being that we forward it on as a Board concern to the Grand Traverse County Board of Commissioners
RESULT:	Roll Call Vote: 12 ayes. Marois, Bushey, Babcock, Griffis, Zamora, Miller, Wessell, Powers, Townsend, Denny, Lathrop and Kamps. Motion Approved.
MOVER:	Ty Wessell
SECONDER:	Mary Marois

Joanie noted her appreciation for allowing the CAC's voice to be heard and that the Board carried their voice forward.

C. *Ownership Communication* – None.

5. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT:

Karl referenced his report. Karl shared that he was pleased that some Board Members attended the CMHAM Winter Conference and the keynote speaker was Al Jansen from MDHHS. An update was provided on the number of KN-95 masks delivered to AFC homes.

Karl provided an update where he referenced documents which he responded to an editorial in the Record Eagle and the concern about transparency.

Karl noted that his upcoming evaluation can be completed in open session.

6. NORTHERN MICHIGAN REGIONAL ENTITY REPORT:

Referenced the minutes.

7. TCRE ARTICLES ON TRANSPARENCY:

Board Members identified it is important that we are in agreement as to how we approach transparency. The public needs to be aware that we do not withhold information with the exception of confidential material. As referenced in a recent newspaper article we did not include the amount paid for by our insurer. The amount was withheld until the judge made the decision to release the information. We are as transparent as the law allows us to be.

8. ASSURANCE OF ORGANIZATIONAL PERFORMANCE:

A. *Receipt of CEO Response to Monitoring Report – 2.4 Financial Management (Internal Inspection)*

MOTION:	The Board finds the organization 100% in compliance with Policy 2.4 Financial Management (Internal Inspection)
RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Dan Lathrop
SECONDER:	Nicole Miller

B. *New Operational Worries* – As an organization we need to stay strong during COVID, follow protocol, not let our guard down and continue to be safe.

C. *February Monitoring Assignment*

2.2 Treatment of Employed Workforce Members (Internal Inspection). Please complete and turn in.

9. BOARD MEANS SELF-ASSESSMENT

A. *Receipt of CEO Response to Monitoring Report – 3.9 CEO Compensation (Direct Inspection)*

MOTION: The Board finds the organization 100% in compliance with Policy 3.9 CEO Compensation (Direct Inspection)
RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Rose Denny
SECONDER: Betty Bushey

Receipt of CEO Response to Monitoring Report – 3.10 Board Member Conflict of Interest (Direct Inspection)

MOTION: The Board finds the organization 100% in compliance with Policy 3.10 Board Member Conflict of Interest (Direct Inspection)
RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Mary Marois
SECONDER: Nicole Miller

B. *February Monitoring Assignment*

3.5 Meeting Agendas and Schedules (Direct Inspection). Please complete and turn in.

10. GOVERNANCE POLICIES DISCUSSION AND ASSESSMENT:

A. *Ends* – None.

B. *Executive Limitations* – None.

C. *Governance Process/Ownership Linkages*

a. *RRAC Minutes – February 2, 2021*

MOTION: Receive and File RRAC Minutes of February 2, 2021
RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Mary Marois
SECONDER: Nicole Miller

b. *2020 Annual Recipient Rights Report*

MOTION: Approved 2020 Annual Recipient Rights Report
RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Ty Wessell
SECONDER: Betty Bushey

11. OWNERSHIP LINKAGE: None.

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS/BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

- NLCMHA is partnering with North County CMHA, Munson and McLaren to complete a survey on crisis services in our 12 county region. To date there were 674 total respondents. The RFP process is to be completed by June 1. It is prevention focused as to how we keep people out of the emergency room, inpatient psychiatric care and in the community receiving care and it is across the life span.
- The Board was updated on the status of the contract negotiations with the Grand Traverse County Jail regarding mental health services. Crisis evaluations will continue to be completed in all six county jails.
- We have received a FOIA related to a situation we discussed at a closed session and we are responding to that.
- We are having good cooperation and collaboration with the Juvenile Justice Diversion Grant.
- Many changes with new legislators.

13. MARCH 18, 2020 AGENDA PLANNING:

Reviewed agenda items. Mentioned kudos for on-line meetings and they are working well. Be mindful of muting and raising hands.

14. MEETING EVALUATION:

Thanks for making the new kid feel welcome. Stay healthy.

15. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 3:24 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Randy Kamps, Chairperson

Lorelei King, Board Secretary

Debra Lavender, Recording Secretary
