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REGULAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS
HYBRID MEETING
MINUTES
Thursday, August 20, 2026
5:30 pm
CMHA-CEI
812 E. Jolly Road
Lansing, MI 48910

Staff Present (Via Zoom)
Shana Badgley, KC Brown, Brandon Dotson, Sue McCarthy, Sue Panetta, Jennifer Stanley,

Excused:

Staff Present (In-Person)
Jana Baylis
Aleshia Echols
Jordan Dotson
Sara Lurie
Shawna Schmidt

Public Present (In-Person)
None.

Public Present (via Zoom)
Luna Brown (she/her), CAC Representative
Sr. Mary Sarah Macht

Union Representation
Paul Brooks

Call to Order:
The meeting was called to order by Board Chair, Dale Copedge at 5:30 pm.

Roll Call:
Dale Copedge, Dwight Washingon, Tim Hanna, Lisa Alicea, Daniel Arnold, Jeanne Pearl-Wright, Ryan Sebolt, Maxine Thome, Jason White, Allen Way

Board Member(s) Attending via Zoom
None.

Excused:
Dianne Holman
Dr. Paula Yensen

Adoption of Meeting Minutes:
ACTION:
MOVED by Tim Hanna and SUPPORTED by Jeanne Pearl-Wright that the Board of Directors of Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton, Eaton and Ingham Counties (CMHA-CEI) approve the July 16, 2026, Meeting Minutes as written.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

Adoption of Meeting Agenda:
ACTION:
MOVED by Dale Copedge and SUPPORTED by Tim Hanna that the Board of Directors of Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham Counties (CMHA-CEI) approve the August 20, 2026 regular Meeting Agenda with the following amendment:

- **Remove Timothy Hanna as a MSHN Board Appointee and add Dwight Washington.**

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

Public Comment on Agenda
None.

CAC Representative Update
CAC Representative, Luna Brown provided a snapshot of the August 6, 2026 meeting. Highlights included:

Access to Services

Brenda Grobaski, Client Services Specialist with CMHA-CEI's Access Cener, attended to discuss the process the Access Center follows when someone calls requesting services

CAC Ten-Year Anniversary Celebration Planning

In place of the normal September CAC meeting, there will be an in-person gathering to honor the 20-year anniversary of the council. The celebration will take place on Thursday, 9/3 from 3:30 – 5:00 pm in the Atrium at Jolly Road.

October 1, 2026, CAC Meeting Conflict

Due to a conflict with the October 1st CAC meeting, the council decided to move the October CAC meeting to 10/8. The CAC members were invited to attend Sara's retirement party taking place on 10/1.

Review Program & Planning Agenda

The draft agenda for the upcoming P&P meeting, scheduled for Monday, July 13, 2026 at 5:30 pm, was reviewed by CAC members.

CAC members asked that their request to review peer groups available at CMHA-CEI and make recommendations for additional future groups be added to the upcoming P&P agenda under new business.

There were no recommendations to the Board of Directors from the CAC.

The next CAC meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 4, 2026 @ 3:30 pm., and will be held in-person, 812 E. Jolly Road, Atrium.

Mid-State Health Network Update

CMHA-CEI Board of Director member, Jason White reported that MSHN did not meet. Therefore, there was no update.

ACTION: The next meeting of the MSHN Board will take place on Tuesday, September 1, 2026, in Alma, MI.

CEO Report

CEO Lurie provided the following updates:

1. **New Story with link included in your packet, but Lisa asked that we show it today to the full board. CEO Lurie, then shared the Crisis Care Center opening news clip, featuring both herself and incoming CEO, Gwenda Summers.**

2. **Getting good feedback from community partners on the Crisis Care Center. Ingham County Sheriff and Ingham County Health Department. With schools opening now, Families Forward will be doing an email blast out to make sure people are aware of the new location.**
3. **Ribbon Cutting Building Dedication-we have a new date and time. Tuesday, September 22nd 3:30-5:30 with the program starting at 4pm. Senator Stabenow will be there and speaking and we are reaching out to Senator Anthony, Representative Witwer, Mayor Schor, and Senator Peters. We would like to have our Board Members and CAC Members also join up front to read the building dedication plaque, cut the ribbon.**
4. **We will be asking our County Commissioner/ Board Members and one or two CAC members to briefly speak.**
5. **We will have signage that recognizes many organizations and individuals who played a role in the development of the project.**

<u>PIHP Rebid</u>
Still no RFP issued thankfully but it is still on the State's vendor forecasting site for August.
Reminder that we are still part of the MiPlan regional entity that was developed as an alternative option to apply for the RFP. This will be looking to disband if another RFP is not issued.

MSHN is also working closely with South West Michigan Behavioral Health Association (SWMBA) Calhoun, Kalamazoo, Barry, Barrien, Branch, Cass, St. Joseph, Van Buren to explore Inter-regional collaboration and how these regions may come together to submit an RFP if one is issued….as well as just look at possible collaborations in the future. I recently signed off on support for Saginaw CMH to go forward with obtaining and funding an attorney to work with the Inter-regional Committee on what legal mechanisms exist to bring the two entities together if needed in the future.

<u>HR 1 Activities</u>
We are seeing more information and recent webinars out to the field from MDHHS on HR 1. They have limited the participation to 2 people per organization and are recording the sessions. There was one yesterday, however, I have not viewed the recording yet.
I have prepared some draft educational talking points for our staff that will go out to managers along with some MDHHS materials that are currently under review by Sue Panetta, CFO and Pam Flory, Reimbursement Supervisor who oversees our Eligibility

Department.

Capital Area Health Alliance is also organizing a session for community organizations to come together to share resources and look at how we can all work together across the capital area to help people successfully navigate the changes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Program & Planning Committee

New Expense Contract: BH JV Grand Rapids, LLC DBA Southridge Behavioral Hospital

ACTION:

MOVED by Lisa Alicea and SUPPORTED by Maxine Thome that the Board of Directors of the Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham Counties authorize CMHA-CEI to enter into a new contract with BH JV Grand Rapids, LLC DBA Southridge Behavioral Hospital to purchase hospital services at the rate indicated below for the retroactive period of July 1, 2026, through September 30, 2027.

Billing Code	Service	Unit	Rate
0100	Inpatient Hospital Services	Per Diem	$1100.00

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

New Expense Contract: Partial Hospitalization – DBT Institute of Michigan, PLCC DBA DBT

ACTION:

MOVED by Lisa Alicea and SUPPORTED by Jeannie Pearl-Wright that the Board of Directors of the Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham Counties authorize CMHA-CEI to purchase Partial Hospitalization services from DBT Institute of Michigan, PLCC DBA DBT at the rates indicated below, for the term of August 1, 2026, through September 30, 2027.

Provider	Location	CPT Code	Service	Rate
DBT Institute of Michigan, PLCC DBA DBT	2950 W. Howell Rd. Mason, MI 48854	0912 & 0913	Partial Hospitalization	$550.00

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

New Expense Contract: HMCo Adding Handrail/Family Entrance, Environmental Modification, Children's Supports Waiver (CSW)

ACTION:

MOVED by Tim Hanna and SUPPORTED by Maxine Thome that the Board of Directors of The Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham Counties authorize CMHA-CEI to enter into a new contract with HMCo adding a handrail/family entrance at the total cost identified below for Environmental Modifications for the period of August 21, 2026, to October 30, 2026.

Service	Company	Code & Modifier	Rate	Unit
Environmental Modification (Children's Supports Waiver Service)	HMCo adding Handrail/Family entrance	S5165	$1140.00	Per Service

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

Finance Committee

Expense Contract: Purchasing Mulliken Group Home

ACTION:

MOVED by Tim Hanna and SUPPORTED by Al Way that the Board of Directors of the Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham Counties authorize CMHA-CEI to enter into a purchase contract in order to purchase Mulliken group home with an address of 9120 Eaton Highway Mulliken, Michigan 48861, from Barbara Alberts whose address is 206 Ferry Ave. Unit 5 Charlevoix, Michigan 49720, for the purchase price of $310,000.00 and complete the closing within the next 90 days.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

New Revenue Lease Contract: FEMA at 5913 Executive Drive

ACTION:

MOVED by Tim Hanna and SUPPORTED by Jeanne Pearl-Wright that the Board of Directors of the Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham Counties authorize CMHA-CEI to enter into a revenue lease contract where CMHA-CEI

will lease property at 5913 Executive Drive Lansing, Michigan 48910 to FEMA (The Federal Emergency Management Agency under the US Department of Homeland Security) for a period of three months with an additional option to renew for an additional three months, for up to no more than six months total available on this short-term lease beginning August 15, 2026, and ending February 15, 2027. FEMA will pay monthly rent to CMHA CEI in the amount of $45,574.50 paid in consecutive monthly installments during this period, for a maximum total amount of $273,447.00 during the full six-month lease period if the additional three-month term is extended.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

New Expense Contract: Collier's Architects and Engineers
ACTION:
MOVED by Tim Hanna and SUPPORTED by Maxine Thome that the Board of Directors of the Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham Counties authorize CMHA-CEI to enter into a new expense contract to purchase design development services from Colliers Architects, Engineering and Design at the total contract price of $48,000.00.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

New Expense Contract: SimTech Outdoor Solutions
ACTION:
MOVED by Tim Hanna and SUPPORTED by Al Way that the Board of Directors of the Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham Counties authorize CMHA-CEI to enter into an expense contract with SimTech Outdoor Solutions Fence Company -- 16441 Old US 27 Lansing, Michigan 48906 for the amount of $84,000.00 in order to install fencing as part of the needed effort to enhance parking structure safety at the 2900 Stabler location.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

Preliminary Steady State Budget Projections for Fiscal Year 2026/2027
ACTION:
MOVED by Tim Hanna and SUPPORTED by Maxine Thome that the Board of Directors of the Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham Counties authorize CMHA-CEI to authorize CMHA-CEI to approve the preliminary steady state budget projections for fiscal year 2026/2027.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

FY2027 Budget Hearing Meeting

Board Chair, Dale Copedge shared that the CMHA-CEI Board of Directors met today (8/20/26) at 4:00 pm, just prior to the CMHA-CEI Board of Directors meeting reporting that Elise Magen, Quality Customer Services and Recipient Rights presented the Priority Needs and Planned Actions for 2026 – 2027 highlighting the following priority needs:

- **Affordable and Appropriate Housing Homelessness**
- **Increase Access to Outpatient Mental Health Care Services**
- **Access to Inpatient and/or Residential Placements**
- **Coordination of Care Between Providers**
- **Communication Awareness of Services Offered in Our Community**

Additionally, Board Chair, Dale Copedge shared that Amy Rottman, Rehmann supported by Sue Panetta, CMHA-CEI Chief Financial Officer reporting an (8,597,920) budget deficit. Please refer to the Preliminary Steady State Budget Projections for Fiscal Year 2026/2027 for details, which was approved as stated above by the CMHA-CEI Board of Directors.

New Business

New SCA-ABA Services – Children's Therapy Corner

MOVED by Maxine Thome and SUPPORTED by Lisa Alicea that the Board of Directors of the Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham Counties authorize CMHA-CEI to enter into a contract with Children's Therapy Corner to provide the services at the rates in the chart above, for the period of September 1, 2026 – September 30, 2027.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

Public Comment

None.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Minutes Submitted by:
Aleshia Echols, Executive Administrative Assistant