

**NORTHERN MICHIGAN REGIONAL ENTITY
SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER OVERSIGHT BOARD MEETING
10:00AM – MARCH 7, 2022
NMRE GAYLORD CONFERENCE ROOM**

ATTENDEES:	Robert Draves (Charlevoix), John Wallace (Cheboygan), Terry Newton (Emmet), Richard Schmidt (Manistee), Roger Frye (Montmorency), Terry Larson (Presque Isle), Gary Taylor (Wexford)
VIRTUAL:	Carolyn Brummund (Harrisville), Tim Markey (Beulah), Dave Freedman (Traverse City), Jay O’Farrell (Whittemore), Ron Quackenbush (Rose City), Chuck Varner (Mio)
ABSENT:	Robert Adrian (Alpena), Melissa Zelenak (Antrim), Sherry Powers (Crawford), David Comai (Kalkaska), Greg McMorrow (Leelanau), Doug Johnson (Otsego), Tim Muckenthaler (Roscommon)
STAFF:	Eugene Branigan, Eric Kurtz, Pamela Polom, Sara Sircely, Deanna Yockey, Carol Balousek, Lisa Hartley

CALL TO ORDER

Let the record show that Mr. Frye called the meeting to order at 10:00AM.

ROLL CALL

Let the record show that Robert Adrian, David Comai, Doug Johnson, Greg McMorrow, Tim Muckenthaler, Sherry Powers, and Melissa Zelenak were excused from the meeting on this date; all other NMRE Substance Use Disorder Oversight Board Members were in attendance either in person or virtually.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Let the record show that the Pledge of Allegiance was recited as a group.

APPROVAL OF PAST MINUTES

The November 1, 2021 minutes were included in the materials for the meeting on this date.

MOTION BY TERRY NEWTON TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE NORTHERN MICHIGAN REGIONAL ENTITY SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER OVERSIGHT BOARD FOR NOVEMBER 1, 2021; SUPPORT BY JOHN WALLACE. MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Ms. Sircely distributed a revised liquor tax request from Bear River Health to include a request for Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) for Otsego County.

MOTION BY TERRY NEWTON TO APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR THE MARCH 7, 2022 MEETING OF THE NORTHERN MICHIGAN REGIONAL ENTITY SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER OVERSIGHT BOARD AS AMENDED; SUPPORT BY GARY TAYLOR. MOTION CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE

Let the record show that there was no correspondence to discuss during the meeting on this date.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Kurtz reported that MDHHS called an unannounced meeting of PIHP and CMHSP CEOs on March 3rd during which a major restructure/reorganization of the Department was revealed. The PIHPs/CMHSPs will be working with three divisions within the Department. The Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities Administration (BHDDA) no longer exists under that name; now called the “Community Bureau” and was moved under Medicaid. Medicaid has been put under the direction of Farrah Hanley, former Budget Director. The Bureau of Children’s Coordinated Health Policy and Supports was created (in response to the KB lawsuit). Substance Use Disorder Prevention was moved under Public Health. Mr. Kurtz agreed to share the presentation slides titled, “Behavioral Health Restructuring” dated March 3rd with SUD Oversight Board Members.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Let the record show that Mr. Frye called for any conflicts of interest to any of the meeting agenda items. Mr. Newton disclosed that he attends many Community Recovery Alliance (CRA) meeting but is not a member of its Board; the determination was made that this does not represent a conflict of interest.

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

Admissions

The admissions report through January 31, 2022 was included in the materials for the meeting on this date. Overall admissions were down 15% from January of 2021. The data showed that outpatient was the highest level of treatment at 50.04%, and alcohol was the most prevalent primary substance at 50.19% (heroin was second at 16.09%). Sara Sircely noted that methamphetamine use is rising throughout the region reported as 15.62% vs. 11.12% in FY21.

Mr. Draves reported that a proposed ballet that would legalize psychedelics for adults (like Oregon) is being circulated.

Finance

December 2021 Monthly Report

SUD services through December 31, 2021 showed all funding source revenue of \$5,864,110 and \$4,562,086 in expenses, resulting in a net surplus of \$1,302,024. Total PA2 funds were reported as \$5,752,223. Three PA2 payments are received annually; the first payment for FY22 is expected in April. Mr. Schmidt requested that a column be added to show the anticipated FY22 revenue per county; this will be added beginning with the January 2022 report.

Projects List

Ms. Sircely reviewed the FY22 approvals to date by county. It was noted that \$2.9M of the liquor tax fund balance has been allocated for projects previously approved. Clarification was made that Recovery Housing refers to a sober living environment.

RECOMMENDATION ITEMS

Recommendations List

The NMRE staff recommendations related to liquor tax use requests were included in the materials for the meeting on this date.

PA2 Fund Use Requests

1) **Drug Free Northern Michigan 21-County Alliance** – Marijuana Media Campaign

Alcona	\$	1,316.87
Alpena	\$	3,620.98
Antrim	\$	2,963.25
Benzie	\$	2,235.67

Charlevoix	\$	3,325.45
Cheboygan	\$	3,227.49
Crawford	\$	1,769.27
Emmet	\$	4,222.87
Grand Traverse	\$	11,679.84
Iosco	\$	3,201.15
Kalkaska	\$	2,243.43
Leelanau	\$	2,755.24
Manistee	\$	3,107.64
Missaukee	\$	1,908.07
Montmorency	\$	1,176.80
Ogemaw	\$	2,669.24
Oscoda	\$	1,054.29
Otsego	\$	3,121.77
Presque Isle	\$	1,627.29
Roscommon	\$	3,039.96
Wexford	\$	4,233.43
	\$	<u>64,500.00</u>

MOTION BY TERRY NEWTON TO APPROVE THE REQUEST FROM THE DRUG FREE NORTHERN MICHIGAN TWENTY-ONE COUNTY COALITION FOR LIQUOR TAX DOLLARS FROM ALL TWENTY-ONE COUNTIES IN THE NORTHERN MICHIGAN REGIONAL ENTITY REGION IN THE AMOUNT OF SIXTY-FOUR THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$64,500.00) TO FUND A MARIJUANA MEDIA CAMPAIGN; SUPPORT BY GARY TAYLOR. MOTION CARRIED.

Ms. Brummund suggested circulating this information to all the school liaisons in the 21-counties which Ms. Sircely agreed to do.

- 2) Emmet County Sheriff's Office – Polycom to Support SUD Services for Emmet County Inmates

Emmet	\$	5,974.03
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MOTION BY TERRY NEWTON TO APPROVE THE REQUEST FROM THE EMMET COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE FOR EMMET COUNTY LIQUOR TAX DOLLARS IN THE AMOUNT OF FIVE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FOUR DOLLARS AND THREE CENTS (\$5,974.03) FOR POLYCOM TO SUPPORT SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER SERVICES FOR EMMET COUNTY INMATES; SUPPORT BY TERRY LARSON. MOTION CARRIED.

- 3) Bear River Health – Charlevoix Recovery House

Charlevoix	\$	133,199
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MOTION BY TERRY NEWTON TO APPROVE THE REQUEST FROM BEAR RIVER HEALTH FOR CHARLEVOIX COUNTY LIQUOR TAX DOLLARS IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-THREE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED NINETY-NINE DOLLARS (\$133,199.00) TO SUPPORT THE RECOVERY HOUSING PROGRAM; SUPPORT BY BOB DRAVES. MOTION CARRIED.

- 4) Bear River Health – Peer Recovery Coach Services

Otsego	\$	22,232
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MOTION BY TERRY NEWTON TO APPROVE THE REQUEST FROM BEAR RIVER HEALTH FOR OTSEGO COUNTY LIQUOR TAX DOLLARS IN THE AMOUNT OF TWENTY-TWO THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED THIRTY-TWO DOLLARS (\$22,232.00) FOR PEER RECOVERY COACH SERVICES; SUPPORT BY JOHN WALLACE.

Mr. Freedman asked what the average salary is for a Peer Recovery Coach as the budget lists an amount of \$12,200. Ms. Sircely responded that the budget likely indicates only a portion of the annual salary.

5) Bear River Health – Jail Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) Services (continuation)

Otsego \$ 20,156

MOTION BY TERRY NEWTON TO APPROVE THE REQUEST FROM BEAR RIVER HEALTH FOR OTSEGO COUNTY LIQUOR TAX DOLLARS IN THE AMOUNT OF TWENTY THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-SIX DOLLARS (\$20,156.00) FOR MEDICATION ASSISTED TREATMENT SERVICES FOR INMATES OF THE OTSEGO COUNTY JAIL; SUPPORT BY BOB DRAVES. MOTION CARRIED.

6) Community Recovery Alliance – Recovery Support Services

Otsego \$ 16,642

MOTION BY TERRY NEWTON TO APPROVE THE REQUEST FROM COMMUNITY RECOVERY ALLIANCE FOR OTSEGO COUNTY LIQUOR TAX DOLLARS IN THE AMOUNT OF SIXTEEN THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED FORTY-TWO DOLLARS (\$16,642.00) FOR RECOVERY SUPPORT SERVICES; SUPPORT BY GARY TAYLOR. MOTION CARRIED.

Let the record show that the total amount of liquor tax dollars recommended for approval on this date was **\$262,703.03**. Assurance was made that a minimum balance equivalent to one year's liquor tax receipts was maintained for each county.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Opioid Settlement Funds

Ms. Sircely informed the SUD Oversight Board that opioid settlement funding is being released to counties. Ms. Sircely asked that if County Boards of Commissioners are unsure how to use the funds, that she be contacted for ideas. A resource document was prepared and will accompany the payments.

COMMENTS

Rev. Wallace referenced the parents charged with involuntary manslaughter when their son opened fire in Oxford High School; he noted that parents who supply drugs and alcohol to their children will likely be similarly charged. A shortage of juvenile detention beds was also noted.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting was scheduled for May 9, 2022 at 10:00AM.

ADJOURN

Let the record show that Mr. Frye adjourned the meeting at 10:51AM.