

HANOVER TOWNSHIP MENTAL HEALTH BOARD

MINUTES of the MEETING

March 22, 2022

The meeting was called to order by Chair Kristen Cruthers at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Kristen Cruthers, Kathy Biesiadecki, Matt Steichmann, Denise Camacho, Deb Sirchia, Mary Jane Garvey and Faiza Rahim*. Also present, Amanda Teachout, Mental Health Board Manager. Also in attendance to present, Shannon Hartnett and Misty Javon of Northeast DuPage Family and Youth Services, and Chief Patrick Ulrich and Deputy Chief Geoffery Pretkellis of the Bartlett Police Department.

*Indicates virtual participation. Ms. Rahim left the Board meeting at 6:09 pm due to technical difficulties.

Approval of the Agenda: Ms. Biesiadecki moved to approve the agenda of the meeting of March 22, 2022 and Ms. Sirchia seconded.

Ms. Biesiadecki	Yes	Ms. Cruthers	Yes	Ms. Camacho	Yes
Mr. Steichmann	Yes	Ms. Rahim	Yes	Ms. Sirchia	Yes
Ms. Garvey	Yes				

Public Comment: none

Presentations: Ms. Harnett presented the Challenge request in the amount of \$25,000 and shared the purpose of the program was to initiate social work in the police department in Bartlett. Ms. Javon shared a story to demonstrate impact of the program. Deputy Chief Pretkellis shared about the funding Bartlett has put toward the program and shared the intention of the Challenge request was to have time to gather data to present to the Village of Bartlett justifying the need for a full time position. Ms. Biesiadecki asked about the location of Parkland Preparatory School, mentioned in the application. Ms. Cruthers asked for clarification in the numbers and funds already applied to the program. Mr. Steichmann noted the value of the program.

Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of February 22, 2022: Trustee Camacho moved to approve the regular meeting minutes of February 22, 2022 and Ms. Biesiadecki seconded. Manager Teachout noted that Ms. Biesiadecki had notified her of some misspellings and suggested that the discussion of fundings be more specific. The motion was approved.

Approval of Financial Statements of January 2022: Mr. Steichmann moved to approve the financial statements of January 2022 and Ms. Garvey seconded. There was no discussion.

Ms. Biesiadecki	Yes	Ms. Cruthers	Yes	Ms. Camacho	Yes
Mr. Steichmann	Yes	Ms. Sirchia	Yes	Ms. Garvey	Yes

Approval of Financial Statements of February 2022: Ms. Garvey moved to approve the financial statements of February 2022 and Mr. Steichmann seconded. There was no discussion and the roll call motion passed.

Ms. Biesiadecki	Yes	Ms. Cruthers	Yes	Ms. Camacho	Yes
Mr. Steichmann	Yes	Ms. Sirchia	Yes	Ms. Garvey	Yes

Manager's Report: The Manager's Report was presented and reviewed. Manager Teachout shared that all annual service contracts had been sent and many returned. She also shared that Family Services of Greater Elgin had communicated they will not be renewing their lease at the Resource Center. Manager Teachout also asked Ms. Biesiadecki share about the trip to Marklund to deliver coffee and breakfast to the staff. Lastly, Manager Teachout informed the Board that A1 Taxi will be raising their rates for TIDE riders due to increasing gas prices.

Unfinished Business: none

New Business:

Challenge Funding-Ms. Garvey moved to consider the Challenge Funding request from Northeast DuPage Family and Youth Services in the amount of \$25,000 and Mr. Steichmann seconded the motion. Discussion ensued. The Board agreed more information was needed about the program. The Board instructed Manager Teachout to reach out to Northeast DuPage Family and Youth Services to clarify the number of residents of Hanover Township served in the program and the plan for long term funding. Ms. Biesiadecki motioned to table the decision until the April 26th meeting and Ms. Garvey seconded. The motion passed via roll call.

Ms. Biesiadecki	Yes	Ms. Cruthers	Yes	Ms. Camacho	Yes
Mr. Steichmann	Yes	Ms. Sirchia	Yes	Ms. Garvey	Yes

Site Visit Update- Ms. Sirchia shared about the Site Visit. Ms Sirchia, Ms. Rahim and Manager Teachout attended the visit at Partners in Our Communities (POC). Ms. Sirchia shared with the Board the services provided by POC and the partnerships they have with other agencies to connect recent immigrants with providers. Ms. Sirchia shared that she was very impressed with the passion of the staff and the thoroughness of services they provide. Ms. Sirchia also shared about the agency connecting with local churches to attract people and the desire of the agency to install phone and internet in their office.

Site Visit Calendar-Manager Teachout asked the Board members if there were Site Visits they would like to sign up for in FY 23. Several members signed up for visits and shared their availability.

Executive Session: none

Other Business: Manager Teachout reminded the Board that the next meeting is scheduled for April 26, 2022 at 6:30 in Veterans Hall. Manager Teachout also reminded the Board that Cook County has sent out the reminder to complete the Statement of Economic Interests and although the website was down initially, it had been restored by the time of the meeting. Ms. Biesiadecki and Ms. Cruthers also shared the questions were different in the past.

Adjournment: There being no other business, Ms. Sirchia moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:13 pm and Ms. Garvey seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deb Sirchia, Mental Health Board Secretary