

HANOVER TOWNSHIP MENTAL HEALTH BOARD

MINUTES of the MEETING

September 27, 2022

The meeting was called to order by Chair Kathy Biesiadecki at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Matt Steichmann, Kristen Cruthers, Denise Noyola, Michelle Esquivel, Faiza Rahim, Mary Jane Garvey and Kathy Biesiadecki. Also in attendance, Manager Teachout and Carrie Seida of Marklund and Michael Cobb of Elderday.

Approval of the Agenda: Ms. Cruthers moved to approve the agenda of the meeting of September 27, 2022 and Ms. Rahim seconded.

Ms. Biesiadecki	Yes	Ms. Cruthers	Yes	Ms. Noyola	Yes
Mr. Steichmann	Yes	Ms. Esquivel	Yes	Ms. Garvey	Yes
Ms. Rahim	Yes				

Public Comment: None

Presentations: Ms. Seida of Marklund presented the Capital Funding Request of \$25,000 to build an accessible and inclusive playground at Marklund's Wasmond Center. She explained that a capital funding initiative had been going on for some time and the funds are almost complete to build the project. Mr. Cobb also presented on the Challenge Funding request for \$12,000 and the Fiscal Year 25 Annual Funding Application for Elderday. He instructed the program to the board, explaining they provide therapeutic day programs for seniors with cognitive challenges. Ms. Biesiadecki noted the program fills a gap in services between programs at the Senior Center and the In Home Care program.

Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of August 23, 2022: Ms. Cruthers moved to approve the regular meeting minutes of August 23, 2022 and Ms. Garvey seconded. The motion passed.

Approval of the Financial Statements of July 2022: Ms. Rahim moved to approve the financial statements of July 2022 and Ms. Noyola seconded. Manager Teachout explained an error that was reflected in the change between the July and August financial statements. Ms. Biesiadecki called for a roll call. The motion passed.

Ms. Biesiadecki	Yes	Ms. Cruthers	Yes	Ms. Noyola	Yes
Mr. Steichmann	Abstain	Ms. Esquivel	Yes	Ms. Garvey	Yes
Ms. Rahim	Yes				

Approval of the Financial Statements of August 2022: Ms. Noyola moved to approve the financial statements of August 2022 and Ms. Rahim seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed.

Ms. Biesiadecki	Yes	Ms. Cruthers	Yes	Ms. Noyola	Yes
Mr. Steichmann	Yes	Ms. Esquivel	Yes	Ms. Garvey	Yes
Ms. Rahim	Yes				

Manager's Report: Manager Teachout thanked the Board members who had attended the Groundbreaking Ceremony for Hanover Landing. She also shared that she met with a new agency called Hopeful Beginnings that provided maternal mental health services. Manager Teachout also shared that she moderated a panel at the Metropolitan Township Association on 70 Boards and presented at the Annual Principal's Breakfast at the Village of Streamwood. Lastly, Manager Teachout shared with the Mental Health Board that Children's Advocacy Center of North and Northwest Cook County has decided to withdraw their offer to purchase the Resource Center and the Township Board has decided to re-enter the bid process to sell the building.

Unfinished Business: none

New Business:

Capital Requests-

Ms. Garvey moved to consider the capital request from Marklund in the amount of \$25,000 and Ms. Cruthers seconded. Mr. Steichmann shared that the last accessible and inclusive playground the Mental Health Board funded in the Village of Bartlett is heavily used by many children of all abilities. He also expressed some concern about the described water feature. Ms. Esquivel shared that she fully supports the project and mentioned that the residents of the Wasmond Center do not have the opportunity to enjoy the outdoors very much. Ms. Biesiadecki asked for a roll call vote and the motion passed.

Ms. Biesiadecki	Yes	Ms. Cruthers	Yes	Ms. Noyola	Yes
Mr. Steichmann	Yes	Ms. Esquivel	Yes	Ms. Garvey	Yes
Ms. Rahim	Yes				

Challenge Request-

Ms. Rahim moved to consider the Challenge Funding request in the amount of \$12,000 from Elderday and Ms. Garvey seconded. Ms. Cruthers stated the request looked good and the amount of funding was reasonable. Ms. Garvey asked Ms. Biesiadecki to further explain the gap in services Elderday is filling. Ms. Biesiadecki shared that a therapeutic day program for seniors provides respite for caregivers. Ms. Esquivel asked about the consumables in the request. Discussion ensued and the Board requested Manager Teachout to talk to the agency about requesting consumable items in the future and to attempt to avoid it when possible. Ms. Biesiadecki asked for a roll call vote and the motion passed.

Ms. Biesiadecki	Yes	Ms. Cruthers	Yes	Ms. Noyola	Yes
Mr. Steichmann	Yes	Ms. Esquivel	Yes	Ms. Garvey	Yes
Ms. Rahim	Yes				

Staff Development Request-

Ms. Garvey moved to consider the Staff Development request in the amount of \$3,000 for Community

Alternatives Unlimited to attend the ARC conference and Ms. Esquivel seconded. Discussion followed and Ms. Biesiadecki asked for a roll call vote. The motion passed.

Ms. Biesiadecki	Yes	Ms. Cruthers	Yes	Ms. Noyola	Yes
Mr. Steichmann	Yes	Ms. Esquivel	Yes	Ms. Garvey	Yes
Ms. Rahim	Yes				

Site Visit Update- Ms. Noyola and Mr. Steichmann shared with the Board about their visit to AID. They explained that AID has a wide breadth of services. They were both very impressed with the plan AID has for permanent supportive housing in Elgin. Ms. Noyola particularly appreciated the room for senior citizens with developmental disabilities. She also shared that the day program is in a warehouse setting and she would have liked to see it be little more comfortable. Mr. Steichmann agreed.

Violence Summit Sponsorship- Ms. Noyola moved to approve a Violence Summit Sponsorship in the amount of \$300 and Ms. Garvey passed. Ms. Esquivel shared that seemed like a reasonable amount. Ms. Biesiadecki confirmed the funds would come out a line item for community events. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Biesiadecki	Yes	Ms. Cruthers	Yes	Ms. Noyola	Yes
Mr. Steichmann	Yes	Ms. Esquivel	Yes	Ms. Garvey	Yes
Ms. Rahim	Yes				

Executive Session: none

Other Business: Manager Teachout updated the Board on the Board Decorum rules that will be present at the podium for public comment. She also shared about the upcoming Funding Hearings and about the discussion between members of local government and 708 Boards about the expected influx of asylum seekers coming to the area and plans of action.

Adjournment: There being no other business, Ms. Garvey moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 pm and Ms. Cruthers seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Faiza Rahim
Mental Health Board Secretary