

Hanover Township Mental Health Board Minutes
March 28, 2023

The meeting was called to order by Chair Kathy Biesiadecki at 6:40 pm.

Roll Call: Mary Jane Garvey, Denise Noyola, Matthew Steichmann, Kathy Biesiadecki, Faiza Rahim, Michelle Esquivel. Also in attendance, Mental Health Board Manager Amanda Teachout, and Kate Schultz of Children's Advocacy Center

Approval of the Agenda: Ms. Rahim moved to approve the agenda and Ms. Garvey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment: None.

Presentations: The representative from Northwest Center Against Sexual Assault was not present. Kate Schultz of the Children's Advocacy Center of North and Northwest Cook County presented the Emergency Funding Request. She explained the unbudgeted costs of the move to Arlington Heights, the lack of on-time payments from the State and the unexpected Victims of Crime Act Funding have put Children's Advocacy in a tough position. The organization has already let go of two staff, affecting programs that serve Hanover Township.

Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of February 28, 2023: Ms. Noyola moved to approve the regular meeting minutes of February 28, 2023, and Ms. Esquivel seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Financial Statements of January 2023: Ms. Rahim moved to approve the Financial Statements of January of 2023 and Ms. Garvey seconded. The motion passed with a roll call vote.

Ms. Biesiadecki	Yes	Ms. Rahim	Yes	Ms. Esquivel	Yes
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Mr. Steichmann	Yes	Ms. Garvey	Yes	Ms. Noyola	Yes
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Manager's Report: Manager Teachout presented and reviewed the Manager's Report. She highlighted Ecker Center's Ribbon Cutting for their Crisis Stabilization Program they received Challenge Funding for in the previous fiscal year, a Human Services Job Fair at Judson University, and the ACMHAI newly formed 708 Board Panel Discussion.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: Contract Support Funding Requests: Mr. Steichmann moved to consider Northwest Center Against Sexual Assault's Contract Support Request in the amount of \$25,000 and Ms. Garvey seconded the motion. Discussion ensued. The Board agreed that they were in a position to support agencies that had sustainability plans that were affected by the Victims of Crime Act cuts. Mr. Steichmann shared that these cuts have the potential to devastate the services many Township vulnerable Township residents receive. A roll call was requested and the motion passed.

Ms. Biesiadecki	Yes	Ms. Rahim	Yes	Ms. Esquivel	Yes
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Mr. Steichmann	Yes	Ms. Garvey	Yes	Ms. Noyola	Yes
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Children’ Advocacy Center of North and Northwest Cook County- Ms. Garvey moved to consider the request for \$25,000 in contract support funds and Ms. Rahim seconded the motion. The Board agreed they felt comfortable with the sustainability of this agency. A roll call vote occurred, and the motion passed.

Ms. Biesiadecki Yes

Ms. Rahim Yes

Ms. Esquivel Yes

Mr. Steichmann Yes

Ms. Garvey Yes

Ms. Noyola Yes

Consideration of Fiscal Year 2024 Mid-Year Funding Applications-The Planning and By-laws Committee moved to consider the adoption of the updated Fiscal Year 2024 Mid-Year Funding applications as amended. Ms. Garvey seconded. Ms. Rahim walked the Board through the changes and explained where they came from. The motion passed.

Executive Session: none

Other Business: Manager Teachout shared the news that a previous Mental Health Board member, Linda Best, had passed away. The Board expressed condolences. The Board was reminded the next Mental Health Board meeting was back in Veteran’s Hall on April 25.

Adjournment: Ms. Rahim moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 pm and Ms. Garvey seconded. The motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Faiza Rahim