

## CommUNITY Adult Mental Health Initiative

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Joint Powers Board

September 1, 2022

Sherburne History Center & Zoom Virtual Meeting

Chair: Jami Goodrum

Vice Chair: Vacant

Present	Name	Membership
X	Tony Masters	Sherburne County – representative
X	Barbara Burandt	Sherburne County – alternate
	Steve Heinen	Benton County – alternate
	Sandi Shoberg	Benton County – representative
X	Julie Ellis	Stearns County – representative
	Steve Notch	Stearns County – alternate
	Jill Pooler	Wright County – alternate
	Jami Goodrum, Chair	Wright County – representative
X	Polly Brown	Consumer – representative
X	Julie Danda	Agency – representative
X	Alyshia Bills	At-Large – representative

Other attendees:

X	Peggy Koscielniak	Benton County fiscal agent
X	Bethany Oberg	Initiative Coordinator
X	Victoria Johannes	Sherburne County – ex officio
X	Nikki Knowles	Benton County – ex officio
X	Leslie Young	Stearns County – ex officio
X	Diane Erkens	Wright County – ex officio
	Jodi Heurung-Dick	Sherburne County
	Robin Matu	CMMHC
	Derek Magaard	Sherburne County
X	Jessica Brandon	CMMHC Executive Director

**Call to order:** 3:00 pm

**Introductions:** All

**Amend or Accept Agenda:**

Julie E. made a motion to approve agenda; Tony seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

**Minutes from July:**

Polly made a motion to accept the minutes; Julie E. seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

**Financial Report:** Peggy Koscielniak

Peggy shared the financial update.

Tony made a motion to accept the financial report; Polly seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

**At Large Joint Powers Board Position:** Bethany

Welcome to Alyshia. She is moving to a different position CMMHC, so this will be first and last meeting in this position. The Board will be down one member for the November meeting. At the December Advisory meeting, they will be voting on new members.

**Joint Powers-Advisory Committee In-Service Update:** Bethany

Just a reminder, please RSVP if you can attend.

**Provider Review Updates:** Bethany

It is a requirement of DHS to review the contracts of the vendors who provide services. Housing vouchers, crisis beds, and functional industries reviews have been completed without any exceptions.

**HRA Admin Fee Update:** Bethany

At the last meeting, the Board approved the changed rate, and the HRA did accept it. Next year they may ask for an increase.

**Flex Funds Policy:** Bethany

Bethany shared the changes to the policy and is looking for the Board to approve. Julie E. made a motion to accept the policy changes; Tony seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

**Crisis HCBS FMAP Funding Update:** Bethany

After being told that FMAP funding could be used for the coordinator's position, the HCBS budget was submitted without funding for the position. That information was incorrect and FMAP funding cannot be used for the position; the HCBS budget will need to be revised. Bethany came up with three different options and shared them. Option 1 would be not designating any funding for the Peer Support Program (there has been limited response to the recent RFP and very low utilization of peer support programs) for the next two years and decreasing the IRT Non-MA line item. Option 2 would be to pull funds from multiple line items. Option 3 would be to utilize unspent cash dollars and unspent dollars in other line items. Tony made a motion to choose Option 1 of not designating any funding for the Peer Support Program for two years and to decrease the IRT Non-MA line item; Julie E. seconded. All in favor, with one nay, motion carried. (This motion will be for the 2023 budget and AMHI grant application.) The FMAP funding was reviewed; the funds will be broken down into two different periods. After reviewing the options for spending, the ex-officios propose the options of renovation of CSP and/or other mental health rehab services, purchasing technology to allow for continued use of telemedicine services in diverse communities, and training staff to better meet the needs of diverse communities (attending and/or providing training). There was lengthy discussion about the type/location of training (parameters) and which staff would be approved to attend. The application requires only a broad narrative with submission; with details to be determined later. Tony made a motion to hold voting for now to allow the counties not currently present to review the details and then send it out for an e-mail vote; Julie E. seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

**AMHI 2023-2024 Grant Application Update:** Bethany

As per discussion above, the application will be resubmitted to DHS with the budget numbers.

**Peer Program RFP:** Bethany/Ex-Officios

Based on the budget changes, a contract will not be awarded for 2023 or 2024.

**2023 CMHI Budget:** Bethany

Option 1 of not funding the peer program for 2023 or 2024 and taking some from the IRT Non-MA line was voted on and approved, with one nay vote.

**2021/2022 Unspent Grant Dollars:** Bethany/Ex-Officios

The projection for now is that there will be approximately \$60,000.00 that is unspent (will have more of an idea after the next financial statement). There was discussion that the ex-officios will continue to monitor the dollars and they will determine where the needs are. Because there is not representation from all counties, this topic will be carried over to the next meeting.

**Upcoming Meetings:** Bethany

- i. November 3<sup>rd</sup> - Sherburne County Government Center, Board Room and Online via Zoom
- ii. December 1<sup>st</sup> (tentative) - Sherburne Government Center, Board Room and Online via Zoom

**Adjournment:**

Julie E. made a motion to adjourn; Tony seconded. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 4:27 p.m.