



# Mental Health Committee

## Minutes

*Tuesday, May 2, 2023 7:00pm*

*Boardroom*

- I. Call to Order/Roll Call/Meeting Norms - 7:16pm**
  - A. In attendance: MaryAnn Ogilvie, Stephanie Bertels, Gina Raza, Kathleen Reed, Joanmarie Wermes, Mary Cloonan Walsh; Lauren Saternus, Board Member
  - B. Absent: Jillian Bernas, Katy Trent, Community Relations Coordinator
- II. Welcome/Introduction of Visitors** - Valerie and Steve Gruenwald, members of NAMI; Bob Ogilvie, President of Township of Schaumburg Mental Health Board
- III. Public Comments**
- IV. Approval of Minutes from 4/4/2023** - Joanmarie brought a motion to approve; Mary seconded. Approved by voice vote.
- V. Announcements/Correspondence** - Maryann noted this is our last formal meeting.
- VI. Old Business**
  - A. Minds Matter - Tuesday, May 2 - Review of Event
    1. We would like this event to continue under the Mental Health Board.
    2. 22 people signed in.
    3. Stephanie noted a megaphone or microphone.
    4. Someone approached Lauren to ask to have speakers on the subject of autism.
    5. We didn't have programs this year; this would have been immensely helpful.
    6. More interactivity would draw more people.
    7. Develop a "welcoming committee."
    8. A Facebook event wasn't created; this should happen next year.
    9. Mary advised of some of the services provided by our exhibitors.

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10. Lead with “free pizza”; make it more prominent on promotional material.
11. We didn’t see many young people.
12. Guest Steve Gruenwald advised he doesn’t believe most people knew about this event or many other Township events. He doesn’t believe it’s due to a lack of effort, but perhaps should be geared more toward an online audience.

### **VII. New Business**

#### **A. Upcoming Programming**

1. Mental Health First Aid - Wednesday, May 31 - Open to the public
2. Jonathan Rubin Memorial - A Zoom memorial was held. MaryAnn advised it was very sweet. A memorial bench for Jonathan was discussed. Donations made in Jonathan’s memory should be to the Kenneth Young Center per his wishes.
3. Transition to 708 Mental Health Board - Members discussed the history of the Mental Health Committee and Minds Matter, and of how we can continue the work we’ve done.

### **VIII. Board and Liaison Reports and Review of Agency Bills**

- A. Board Liaison Report - Trustee Lauren Saternus - No update
- B. Mary Cloonan-Walsh - SHARE - No update
- C. Northwest CASA - No update
- D. Stephanie Bertels - Kenneth Young Center - LGBTQ+ Professional Mixer (May 4, 5-7pm, Q Center); 2023 Hustle for Health 5K (June 3, 9am, Busse Woods Grove 27); Northwest Pride Fest 2023 (June 10, 5-9pm, Trickster Cultural Center)

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E. Gina Raza - Life Span - No update

F. MaryAnn Ogilvie - Villages - No update

G. Jillian Bernas - Library - Absent

H. Stephanie Bertels - Schools - No update

### **IX. Committee Member Comments**

A. Mary said it has been a pleasure and an honor to work with the MHC.

B. Joanmarie said she is thankful for meeting us all and expressed compassion and thankfulness for each member and members of the public.

C. MaryAnn is honored to be connected to each member.

D. Stephanie expressed gratitude to the Committee for both personal development and opportunities to serve the public.

E. Lauren asked us to keep creating space for each other.

F. Gina advised it's been a pleasure and she appreciates each member.

### **X. Next Meeting Date - No Future Meetings**

**XI. Approval of Minutes 5/2/2023** - Stephanie brought a motion to approve; Gina seconded. Approved by voice vote.

**XII. Adjournment** - Mary moved to adjourn; Gina seconded. Motion passed by voice vote. The final meeting of the Township of Schaumburg Mental Health Committee adjourned at 7:48pm.

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