



# Mental Health Board Minutes

*Tuesday, May 2, 2023 8:00pm  
Boardroom*

- I. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Welcome** – Chair Bob Ogilvie called the meeting to order at 7:51pm. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- II. Roll Call** - Members present: Kathy Reed, Joanmarie Wermes, Gina Raza, Trustee Lauren Saternus, Kenneth Haycock, Bob Ogilvie and MaryAnn Ogilvie  
Others present: Steve and Valerie Grunewald
- III. Approval of Minutes from April 11, 2023** - Lauren made a motion to approve. MaryAnn seconded the motion. Minutes were approved as written by voice vote.
- IV. Public Comments** – None
- V. Reports** –
  - A. ACMHAI - Bob announced that the Schaumburg Township Mental Health Board is now a member of ACMHAI. Bob encouraged members to peruse the ACMHAI website to get familiar with what that organization has to offer. Ken mentioned that Ron Melka, Executive Director of ACMHAI, told him that members should be open to asking questions of ACMHAI and that these questions are answered in a very timely manner.
  - B. Needs Assessment Committee - Lauren provided an update on the work of the Needs Assessment Committee. The community needs assessment survey is now available via QR code in English and Spanish. Lauren shared the QR codes with members. Focus groups will be facilitated by Professor Dr. Bailey's team at Harper College. The Township will absorb any costs associated with running the groups. There are nine areas of interest that the focus groups will represent. They are substance use disorders, intellectual/developmental disabilities, autism, youth mental health, adult mental health, crisis response, cultural and linguistic gaps, housing and transportation, and vocational services. Lauren will contact Dr. Bailey to ask if he is willing to meet with the Needs Assessment Committee to discuss the upcoming focus groups. Lauren will communicate details with the Needs Assessment Committee after she hears back from Dr. Bailey. School District 54 has given Lauren the names of people who they would like to be on a focus group. District 211 will be getting back to Lauren with their representatives. The goal is to have data collection completed by July/August, 2023. Polco (survey organization) will send the survey to residents who have already registered with that company. Folks from Sanjeevani 4 U offered to assist in getting the survey to those of other cultures. Bob said that Kristen Jordan of the Schaumburg Police Dept. will assist in pulling together representatives of the seven police



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departments within Schaumburg Township. Having the survey QR code in the Village of Schaumburg's Cracker Barrel and in the Library's communications would be beneficial.

## **VI. Old Business-**

A. Bob discussed establishing the following schedule for meetings: MHB meetings will be held on the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm. The Needs Assessment Committee meetings will follow at 8:00pm. MaryAnn motioned to accept this schedule. Joanmarie seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion was carried.

## **VII. New Business –**

- A. Bob stated that we need volunteers to assist with survey efforts. Carleen Emde and Micki Coppel are acquaintances of Bob and are very willing to provide their expertise in I/DD and volunteer as needed. Bob reported that both women will attend the next Needs Assessment Committee meeting. Desired survey response rate was discussed. Gina and Lauren indicated they will research this to determine a realistic goal.
- B. Bob recognized and expressed thanks to Joanmarie for her many years of dedicated service to the Township.
- C. Bob expressed that situations might arise that make it impossible for members to attend meetings. He stated that every effort needs to be made to attend because of the responsibility the Board and Committee have and the work that needs to be completed in a timely manner.

## **VIII. Board Member Comments - None**

**IX. Next Meeting Date** – June 6, 2023, at 7:00pm, in the Boardroom.

**X. Adjournment** – Lauren made a motion to adjourn. Gina seconded the motion. Motion was passed. Meeting was adjourned at 8:29pm.