

# Mental Health Board Minutes

February 6, 2024, 7:00pm Boardroom

- **A.** Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Welcome President Bob Ogilvie called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Visitors were welcomed.
- **B. Roll Call -** Members present: Trustee Lauren Saternus, Kathy Reed, Gina Raza (via phone), Joanmarie Wermes, Bob Ogilvie and MaryAnn Ogilvie

Members absent: Ken Haycock

Guests: Laura Nash, Roosevelt Groves

C. Approval of Minutes from January 2, 2024 – Joanmarie made a motion to approve. Kathy seconded the motion. One change was identified by Lauren; the funding amount for Bridge Youth and Family Services should say \$7,500. Joanmarie moved to amend the minutes to include this change. Lauren seconded the motion. Minutes were approved.

### **D.** Public Comments

- A. Roosevelt Groves stated that he is attending tonight's meeting because he wants to better understand the mission of the Mental Health Board (MHB). Bob offered to attend tomorrow evening's DEI Committee meeting to provide an overview of the MHB's mission, vision and values. Roosevelt was very appreciative and accepted Bob's offer.
- B. Laura Nash stated that she was named Chairperson of the Illinois Psychedelic Medicine Association. She said that she would be pleased to be included on a future MHB meeting agenda to discuss this organization.

### E. Reports

- A. To date, there are 19 applications for the MHB Executive Director position. The Township Human Resources Department will do the initial screening of the applications. MHB members will conduct the interviews.
- B. Letters have been sent to the agencies that will receive MHB funding to inform them of the grant award amounts.

### F. Old Business

- A. The MHB one-year plan was reviewed. Joanmarie made a motion to accept the plan. MaryAnn seconded the motion. The motion was approved by roll call vote.
- B. The MHB three-year plan was reviewed. Joanmarie made a motion to accept the plan. Kathy seconded the motion. The motion was approved by roll call vote.



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C. The minutes of the final Needs Assessment Committee meeting of October 3, 2023, were reviewed. MaryAnn made a motion to accept the minutes. Joanmarie seconded the motion. Motion was approved by voice vote.

### **G.** New Business

- A. After numerous attempts to communicate with the Township's attorneys without receiving a response, it was decided that the MHB will contract with the legal firm of Airdo and Werwas. This firm represents several townships and other MHBs in the area. Bob has sent Airdo and Werwas the MHB bylaws and the list of funded agencies with grant amounts. The firm is working on developing the intergovernmental agreement with the Township.
- B. Officer elections. Bob asked the Board for nominations for President of the MHB. Joanmarie motioned that all three existing officers be re-elected. Lauren seconded the motion. Motion was approved by roll call vote. The officers for 2024 are Robert Ogilvie as President, Kathy Reed as Vice President and MaryAnn Ogilvie as Secretary.

### H. Board Member Comments

- A. Mary Ann gave an update on Minds Matter. The Library will host Minds Matter on May 4, 1:00-4:00pm. Twenty-five exhibitors can be accommodated, each with one table and a couple of chairs. There will be two speaker time slots. One will be from 1:00-2:00 and the other from 2:30-3:30. The library will offer various stations with activities that relate to improving mental health. The MHB is responsible for scheduling the speakers and sending invitations to known contacts who might want to be exhibitors. The Library will send the letter to their contacts. Suggestions for speakers are: 1) someone from KYC to present an overview of their services, 2) NAMI In Our Own Voice presenters, 3) someone to speak about the influence of social media on youth (Schaumburg Police Dept. or library representative?) and 4) a panel of speakers on a specific topic. Lauren suggested asking Linda Springer at KYC about other topics that are relevant and of interest to the community. Lauren will send a list of agency contacts to MaryAnn. MHB members were asked to be present at Minds Matter, if possible. Suggested to have on hand are a MHB (or MHC) tablecloth, standing sign and giveaways (bags?). Further details will be discussed at a future meeting.
- B. MaryAnn reported that the Library will host a Mental Health Day on May 14. They would like someone from the MHB to give a presentation about the MHB. Bob said he could give this presentation. Kathy will also attend.



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- C. MaryAnn will present an overview of the MHB to the Kiwanis Club of Glen Ellyn on February 7.
- D. Bob reported that the MHB is celebrating its one year anniversary. He acknowledged Joanmarie for her many years of faithful volunteering and doing so much to help the MHB. He presented her with a gift of a gold-colored paper clip bracelet, which Joanmarie greatly appreciated. Bob recognized Lauren for always "being there" as the MHB has hit the ground running and for being so flexible with her schedule. Bob presented Lauren with a Superwoman t-shirt, which she appreciatively accepted.
- I. Next Meeting Date March 5, 2024, 7:00pm
- **J. Adjournment** Joanmarie made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Kathy seconded the motion. The motion was passed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:42pm.