

Region 10
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GROUP MEETING: SUD Oversight Policy Board
PLACE: Region 10 PIHP – 3111 Electric Ave., Port Huron, MI / Virtual Meeting via MS Teams
DATE: June 06, 2023
TIME: 3:30 p.m.
PRESIDING: Kenneth Briggs

Present: Kenneth Briggs, Gary Jones, Olivia DeMoss, Kimberly Shewmaker, Jeff Stoner, Teddy Pace
Absent: Michael Slater, Cheryl Clark, Todd Anglebrandt, Bobbie Umbreit
Also Present: Rasmira Bektas: Region 10 Substance Use Disorder Director, Cindy Eckert: Region 10 SUD Administrative Coordinator, Tammy Haerens: Region 10 SUD Administrative Technician/Recording Secretary; Jacob Stoliker: Region 10 Secretary
Guests: Michael Ramsdell, Under the Hood Productions, Haley Bukoffsky: Great Lakes Recovery Mission (Guest)

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:37 p.m. by Chairperson Briggs and roll call was conducted by the Recording Secretary.

II. CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

None.

III. MICHAEL RAMSDELL – UNDER THE HOOD PRODUCTIONS

Chairperson Briggs introduced Michael Ramsdell with Under the Hood Productions

Mr. Ramsdell discussed a film he produced called ‘We Can Be Heroes’, about a boxer out of Detroit dealing with opioid addiction. Mr. Ramsdell reported that the film’s purpose is to provide education and prevention, as well as reduce/stop the stigma associated with having a substance use disorder. Mr. Ramsdell stated that he makes these films to have a social impact. Mr. Ramsdell reported that he has begun showing the film at university campuses, churches, and social organizations. He also reported that he has had a good crowd present at the airings and offers dialog after the film is done playing.

The committee thanked Mr. Ramsdell for sharing his story, and Mr. Ramsdell stated that he would be happy to answer any questions that come up and he is hopeful that this film can be shown in the Port Huron area.

IV. ADDITIONS / DELETIONS / CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

None.

V. PRESENTATION OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES (Action)

It was moved by Ms. Shewmaker, seconded by Mr. Jones, to approve the April 04, 2023, meeting minutes as presented. **MOTION CARRIED** by roll call vote: Ayes: Kenneth Briggs, Teddy Pace, Jeff Stoner, and Olivia DeMoss. Nays: None. Abstained: None.

VI. BOARD MEMBERSHIP/ SUD ROSTER

Ms. Eckert presented the SUD Board Roster. At the last meeting Ms. Shewmaker was approved to continue participation on the board for an additional 3 years, her term ending at the end of March 2026. Questions arose regarding board member Cheryl Clark. It was reported that she has missed the last 3 meetings. Ms. Eckert did reach out to her previously and Ms. Clark reported that she would stay on the board, but she cannot always make the meetings. Chairperson Briggs asked that Region 10 reach out to her again and this will be readdressed at the next meeting.

Ms. Eckert also stated that there are a few counties that need to appoint members. Ms. Bektas stated that she has reached out to the Genesee County Board of Commissioners and is just waiting to hear back.

VII. SUD STRATEGIC PLAN FY24- FY26 (Action)

Ms. Bektas presented a power point presentation to discuss the upcoming Strategic Plan for fiscal year 24 through fiscal year 26. The board received this prior to the meeting to review. Ms. Bektas stressed that Sanilac County is lacking in recovery housing and MAT services. Ms. Eckert reported that a current provider is wanting to expand on their recovery housing to the Sanilac area. Mr. Jones asked if the outcomes for the goals that are the strategic plan are tracked. Ms. Eckert confirmed that they were and that she provided that to the board by the end of September. **MOTION CARRIED** by roll call vote: Ayes: Kenneth Briggs, Gary Jones, Teddy Pace, Jeff Stoner, Olivia DeMoss, and Kimberly Shewmaker. Nays: None. Abstained: None

VIII. SUD DIRECTOR UPDATE

Ms. Bektas reported that following the State Revenue Estimating Conference in May, it appears that the Governor's Budget proposal is more than \$2 billion dollars above projected revenues. This is without consideration for adding money to the previously proposed budget to allow for full expansion of the CCBHC Demonstration project in FY 24. It is anticipated that the differences will get resolved fairly quickly and as of now, not anticipating significant impact on our behavioral health budget. Ms. Bektas stated that Representative VanderWall (Ludington) reintroduced versions of the Shirkey Bills from the last session into the House. They included some of the negotiated changes that Senator Shirkey and Representative Whiteford were working on at the end of the last session. Ms. Bektas stated that while nothing appears to be imminent in terms of movement, this bears watching. Ms. Bektas also stated that Medicaid eligibility redeterminations have begun. MDHHS has created a telephone renewal process and we have heard some good feedback in terms of ease of use. The board seemed interested in having the phone number for Medicaid eligibility. Ms. Bektas will provide that information to the members via e-mail. Lastly, Ms. Bektas stated that MDHHS is also activating a

robo call system for those determined to be ineligible for Medicaid. The call will provide information on accessing the Health Insurance Marketplace and will include an option to speak to a live person.

XI. BUDGET

A. Monthly Financial Report – February 2023

Ms. Bektas presented the February 2023 Monthly Financial Reports and provided a brief update. Ms. Bektas reported that she doesn't see any imminent changes in comparison to the previous fiscal year with the Block Grant Fund. Ms. Bektas stated that she should have more information in the coming up months.

X. PROVIDER NETWORK UPDATE

Ms. Eckert presented to the board a power point that was shown at the recent Region 10 All Staff Meeting. Ms. Eckert discussed key points regarding providers and services for Treatment, Prevention, and OHH (Opioid Health Home). She reintroduced, by name, the Region 10 SUD Team as Joshua Elsholz has accepted the position of SOR and Priority Care Coordinator.

XI. ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO PROPERLY COME BEFORE THE BOARD

None.

XII. CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

None.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment of the meeting was moved by Mr. Briggs, seconded by Ms. Shewmaker to adjourn the meeting. With no further business to discuss, Chairperson Briggs adjourned the meeting at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy Haerens
Recording Secretary