

Southwest Michigan

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

Substance Use Disorder Oversight Policy Board (SUDOPB) Meeting Minutes

March 17, 2025
4:00 – 5:30 pm

Members Present: Randall Hazelbaker (Branch County); Richard Godfrey (Van Buren County); RJ Lee (Cass County); Jonathan Current (Kalamazoo County); Allyn Witchell (Kalamazoo County); Marsha Bassett (Barry County); Dominic Oo (Calhoun County); Matt Saxton (Calhoun County); Jared Hoffmaster (St. Joseph County)

Members Absent: Rayonte Bell (Berrien); Alex R. Ott (Berrien); Paul Schincariol (Van Buren County)

Staff and Guests Present:

Brad Casemore, CEO, SWMBH; Joel Smith, Substance Use Treatment and Prevention Director, SWMBH; Garyl Guidry, Chief Financial Officer, SWMBH; Achilles Malta, Regional Prevention Coordinator, SWMBH; Anastasia Miliadi, SUD Treatment Specialist, SWMBH; Emily Flory, Strategic Initiatives Project Manager, SWMBH; Erin Hetrick, SUD Treatment Specialist, SWMBH; Amy St. Peter, Clinical Grants Specialist, SWMBH; Lily Smithson, Gambling Disorder Specialist, SWMBH; Michelle Jacobs, Senior Operations Specialist and Rights Advisor, SWMBH

Welcome and Introductions

Randall Hazelbaker called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm. Introductions were made.

Public Comment

None

Agenda Review and Adoption

Motion Jared Hoffmaster
Second RJ Lee
Motion Carried

Financial Interest Disclosures

Mila Todd reviewed the financial interest disclosure and conflict of interest forms with SUDOPB members. Mila Todd noted two members who simultaneously serve on the local CMH Board and the SUDOP Board. Those members will recuse themselves from any votes pertaining to a CMH Board Budget.

Consent Agenda

Motion RJ Lee moved to approve the 11/18/24 meeting minutes as presented.
Second Jared Hoffmaster
Motion Carried

Board Education

SWMBH Overview and New Board Member Orientation

Joel Smith reported as documented. Discussion followed.

SUD Behavioral Health Treatment Episode Admission Data

Joel Smith reported as documented. Discussion followed.

2024 Overdose Education and Naloxone Distribution Report

Achilles Malta reported as documented. Discussion followed.

Fiscal Year 2025 YTD Financials

Garyl Guidry reported as documented, highlighting numbers for Medicaid, Healthy Michigan, MI Child, Block Grant, and PA2. Discussion followed.

PA2 Utilization Fiscal Year 2025 YTD

Garyl Guidry reported as documented. Discussion followed.

Board Action

Election of Officers

Motion Jared Hoffmaster moved to nominate Randall Hazelbaker as SUDOPB Chair.

Second Matt Saxton

Motion Carried

Motion Jared Hoffmaster moved to nominate Richard Godfrey as SUDOPB Vice-Chair.

Second Matt Saxton

Motion Carried

2025 Meeting Dates and Locations

Board discussed cost of meeting location and willingness to move meetings to another location that does not have costs. Joel Smith to email Board costs and ask for a decision.

Amendment – Woodlands Behavioral Health Prevention

Garyl Guidry reported as documented. Discussion followed.

Motion Jared Hoffmaster moved to approve the Woodlands Behavioral Health Prevention amendment as presented.

Second Matt Saxton

Motion Carried

RJ Lee voluntarily recused himself from voting.

Amendment – Barry Community Mental Health Prevention

Garyl Guidry reported as documented. Discussion followed.

Motion Matt Saxton moved to approve the Barry Community Mental Health Prevention amendment as presented.

Second RJ Lee

Motion Carried

Marsha Bassett voluntarily recused herself from voting.

Communication and Counsel

Legislative Updates

Brad Casemore reported on the following:

- SWMBH is watching Federal and State policy and funding issues
- SWMBH is watching for the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget from the State.
- The Federal Government has slowed or stopped on funding for SAMHSA with a projected/proposed cut of \$144 million
- SWMBH is watching development of Federal level matches to Medicaid and Medicaid Expansion
- SWMBH is not the only Prepaid Inpatient Health Plan (PIHP) with a financial deficit
- Five PIHPs did not sign a Fiscal Year 2025 contract with MDHHS (SWMBH did sign a contract)
- Four PIHPs have brought a lawsuit against MDHHS
- MDHHS is planning a reprourement of managed Behavioral Health
- Possible cuts to Federal Medicaid more problematic than reprourement
- Brad explained the risk sharing part of the contract between SWMBH and MDHHS- SWMBH has used \$23 million in Internal Service Funds
- Testimony to Michigan House Medicaid and Behavioral Health Appropriations Subcommittee on March 11, 2025 (Michelle will send out a copy of the testimony)

2025 SUDOPB Attendance Report

Michelle Jacobs noted the attendance report for 2025 will be included in each month's packet per County Administrator request.

County Updates

Various county updates were shared.

Public Comment

None

Adjourn

Randall Hazelbaker adjourned the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 5:31pm