

Southwest Michigan

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

Substance Use Disorder Oversight Policy Board (SUDOPB) Meeting Minutes

May 18, 2026
4:00 – 5:30 pm
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Members Present: Richard Godfrey (Van Buren County); Paul Schincariol (Van Buren County); Marsha Bassett (Barry County); Jared Hoffmaster (St. Joseph County); Dominic Oo (Calhoun County); Rayonte Bell (Berrien); Allyn Witchell (Kalamazoo County); Matt Saxton (Calhoun County)

Members Present via MS Teams: NA

Members Absent: Alex R. Ott (Berrien); Randall Hazelbaker (Branch County); Jonathan Current (Kalamazoo County); RJ Lee (Cass County);

Staff and Guests Present:

Mila Todd, Interim Executive Officer, SWMBH; Joel Smith, Substance Use Treatment and Prevention Director, SWMBH; Garyl Guidry, Chief Financial Officer, SWMBH; Amy St. Peter, Clinical Grants Specialist, SWMBH; Michelle Jacobs, Senior Operations Specialist and Rights Advisor, SWMBH; Achilles Malta, Regional Prevention Coordinator, SWMBH; Megan O'Dea, Financial Analyst, SWMBH; Alena Lacey, Chief Clinical Officer

Welcome and Introductions

Jared Hoffmaster called the meeting to order at 4:02 pm. Introductions were made.

Public Comment

None

Agenda Review and Adoption

Motion	Paul Schincariol
Second	Marsha Bassett
Motion Carried	

Financial Interest Disclosure Statements (FIDS)

None

Consent Agenda

Motion	Marsha Bassett moved to approve the 3/16/26 meeting minutes as presented.
Second	Paul Schincariol
Motion Carried	

Board Actions

None

Board Education

Intergovernmental Contract

Joel Smith reviewed the Intergovernmental Contract which expires 12/31/2026 including a brief history and process for renewing. Mila Todd noted that SWMBH counsel reviewed and sent red line revisions. SWMBH will review that document and get it sent out to the Board members.

Fiscal Year 2026 YTD Financials

Garyl Guidry reported as documented, highlighting numbers for Medicaid, Healthy Michigan, MI Child, Block Grant, PA2 and PA2 carryforward. Garyl noted PA2 revenue is declining. Grant funding reductions/eliminations will cause more PA2 funds to be utilized which further decreases the PA2 funds. Mila Todd noted the Fiscal Year 2025 SWMBH deficit of \$13 million. SWMBH is advocating with MDHHS on covering the deficit with the 2026 surplus. MDHHS requested SWMBH perform due diligence in reviewing various fund sources to potentially reduce the FY25 Medicaid deficit, including reviewing use of PA2 fund balances. SWMBH has performed this due diligence review. Fiscal Year 2025 had a Medicaid SUD surplus which was used to offset Medicaid Mental Health deficit. Use of PA2 fund balances would have to be approved by the SUDOPB and would serve to further increase the surplus of Medicaid SUD that shifts to cover Medicaid Mental Health. Essentially resulting in use of PA2 to subsidize Medicaid Mental Health services. Management is not recommending this approach to the SUDOPB. Discussion followed.

PA2 Utilization Fiscal Year 2026 YTD

Garyl Guidry reported as documented.

Fiscal Year 2027 Budget Overview and Planning

Joel Smith reported as documented noting 2026 is the first baseline allocation re-set in response to new legislation. SWMBH is reviewing budget process, grants and PA2 funds. Grant funds will be \$3.5 million less in 2027 which will create a heavier reliance on PA2 funds. A reduction of \$1.4 million in SOR grant funding is possible in 2027. Discussion followed.

Fiscal Year 2027 Three Year Estimate

Garyl Guidry reported as documented noting declining revenue and reliance on PA2 funds. Discussion followed. Garyl will provide a historical PA2 revenue report by county so that Board members can review trends in their county.

Fiscal Year 2026 Mid-Year Outcomes Report

Joel Smith reported as documented. Discussion followed.

Problem Gambling Awareness Month Screening Results

Joel Smith reported as documented. Discussion followed.

Communication and Counsel

Public Policy and Legislative Updates

PIHP RFP Updates

Mila Todd noted the following:

- Judge Yates dismissed the case without prejudice

- A claim of appeal was filed May 14th based on geographic boundary drawing. The Michigan Mental Health Code gives CMHs authority to draw boundaries and create PIHPs not MDHHS. MDHHS could file a cross appeal. A new MDHHS Mental Health Framework has been paused for now.

Fiscal Year 2027 Budget Proposal

Mila Todd reported as documented.

2026 Attendance Report, 2026 Board Member Roster and 2026 Meeting Dates

Documents in packet for Board members' review.

County Updates

Barry County – recent CMH Board transitions

Berrien County – County Administrator resigned and the replacement process has begun

Calhoun County – none

Cass County – NA

St Joseph County – courthouse renovations will begin in July

Van Buren County – new Board chair and Vice chair

Public Comment

None

Adjourn

Motion

Paul Schincariol moved to adjourn the meeting

Second

Dominic Oo

Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at 5:25pm