

Southwest Michigan

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

Substance Use Disorder Oversight Policy Board (SUDOPB) Meeting Minutes

May 19, 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); Dominic Oo (Calhoun County); Matt Saxton (Calhoun County); Paul Schincariol (Van Buren County)

Members Absent: Rayonte Bell (Berrien); Alex R. Ott (Berrien); Jared Hoffmaster (St. Joseph County); Marsha Bassett (Barry County)

Staff and Guests Present:

Joel Smith, Substance Use Treatment and Prevention Director, SWMBH; Garyl Guidry, Chief Financial Officer, SWMBH; Alena Lacey, Chief Clinical Officer, SWMBH; Achilles Malta, Regional Prevention Coordinator, 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; Ella Philander, Executive Projects Manager, SWMBH; Srinidhi Nemani, Intern, SWMBH

Welcome and Introductions

Randall Hazelbaker called the meeting to order at 4:02 pm. Introductions were made.

Public Comment

None

Agenda Review and Adoption

Motion	Richard Godfrey
Second	RJ Lee
Motion Carried	

Financial Interest Disclosures

None

Consent Agenda

Motion	Jonathan Current moved to approve the 3/17/25 meeting minutes as presented.
Second	Matt Saxton
Motion Carried	

Board Actions

Budget Shortfall Advocacy Resolution

Joel Smith reported as documented noting that the SWMBH Board approved this resolution at their May 9, 2025 meeting.

Motion Jonathan Current moved to approve to SWMBH Budget Shortfall Advocacy Resolution as presented.

Second RJ Lee

Motion Carried

Kalamazoo County Prevention Works Budget Amendment

Joel Smith summarized the budget amendment as presented. Garyl Guidry provided details on three-year projections with an ongoing decline in fund balance.

Motion RJ Lee moved to approve the Prevention Works budget amendment as presented.

Second Jonathan Current

Cass County Woodlands Behavioral Health Budget Amendment

Joel Smith summarized the budget amendment as presented. Garyl Guidry provided details on three-year projections with an ongoing decline in fund balance.

Motion Matt Saxton moved to approve the Woodlands Behavioral Health budget amendment as presented.

Second Jonathan Current

Motion Carried

Board Education

Fiscal Year 2025 YTD Financials

Garyl Guidry reported as documented, highlighting numbers for Medicaid, Healthy Michigan, MI Child, Block Grant, PA2 and PA2 carryforward. Garyl also covered Period 6 SWMBH financials noting deficits, projected deficits, a possible mid-year rate adjustment and CMHs that will run out of money. Discussion followed.

PA2 Utilization Fiscal Year 2025 YTD

Garyl Guidry reported as documented. Discussion followed.

Wakely Document

Garyl Guidry reported as documented noting that Milliman is the State's actuary firm and the State believes those rates are actuarially sound. Wakely does not agree and provided reports to the PHIPs.

2026 Budget Overview and Planning

Joel Smith summarized a first look at the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget and Funding with a historical review of PA2 percent allocations. Providers will receive budget requests and those requests will be brought to the July SUDOPB meeting.

2026 Four Year Projected Funding Estimates

Garyl Guidry reviewed a draft of 4 year estimates showing projected reductions in fund balances noting that PA2 is discretionary funding and can carry forward year to year.

2025 Mid-Year PA2 Outcomes Report

Joel Smith reported as documented.

Communication and Counsel**Legislative Updates**

Joel Smith reported as documented and discussed possible Medicaid cuts from the Federal level.

Federal Grants

Joel Smith reported as documented.

SWMBH Sub Ends 2 & 4

Ella Philander reviewed the SWMBH Board approved Ends, history, Ends and Interpretations covering Sub Ends 2 & 4 along with a request for SUDOPB members on SWMBH's Regional Public Policy Committee.

2025 SUDOPB Attendance Report

Michelle Jacobs noted the attendance report for 2025 will be included in each month's packet per County Administrator request and showed SWMBH's website where documents and information on the SUDOPB can be found.

County Updates

Joel Smith asked about Opioid Settlement activities at the County level. Paul Schincariol said he would get back with Joel.

Public Comment

None

Adjourn

Randall Hazelbaker adjourned the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30pm