

Meeting Minutes
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Lakeshore Regional Entity
September 17, 2020 – 1:00 PM

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS – Mr. DeYoung

Mr. DeYoung called the September 17, 2020 LRE Board meeting to order at 1:05 PM.

ROLL CALL/CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTION – Mr. DeYoung

In Attendance: Mark DeYoung, Peg Driesenga, Matt Fenske, Patricia Gardner, Jack Greenfield, Jacquie Johnson, Stevi Riel, Jay Roberts-Eveland, Ron Sanders, John Snider, Stan Stek, Jane Verduin

No conflicts of interest were declared.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Doyle would like to discuss and put up for consideration, Ottawa County PA2 and their desire to ask the LRE Board for a one-time exception to the LRE policy/procedure 12.4 and 12.4a. This will allow the use of PA2 Reserves to pay Ottawa County providers until a resolution is agreed on between the LRE and Ottawa County.

CONSENT ITEMS:

LRE 20-52 Motion: To approve by consent the following item.

- August 20, 2020 Board of Directors meeting minutes

Moved: Jay Roberts-Eveland

Support: John Snider

ROLL CALL VOTE - UNANIMOUS

MOTION CARRIED

Mr. DeYoung would like to remove the September 17, 2020 agenda off of the consent items to add the discussion of Ottawa County PA2 funds. Also, to add a closed session of the LRE Board members for the purpose of discussing the MDHHS Settlement Strategies and HW lawsuit with LRE legal counsel, Greg Moore. Mr. DeYoung has asked the CMHSP CEOs to participate in the closed session.

LRE 20-53 Motion: To approve the September 17, 2020 Board of Directors meeting agenda with the additions of Ottawa Count PA2 Discussion and Closed Session for the purpose of discussing MDHHS Settlement Strategies and HW lawsuit with the LRE legal counsel, Greg Moore

Moved: John Snider

Support: Jacquie Johnson

ROLL CALL VOTE - UNANIMOUS

MOTION CARRIED

LEADERSHIP REPORTS

Reports are included in packet for information.

Mr. Hofman suggests reading through the reports for operational updates.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Minutes from the September 9, 2020 and September 11, 2020 Executive Committee meeting are included in the packet.

- Mr. Hofman has announced that he will retire February 12, 2020. The Executive Committee discussed options and will give the full Board a recommendation of how to move forward.

LRE CEO SEARCH COMMITTEE

- Board members thank Mr. Hofman for working in this field for so long and at the LRE. Mr. Hofman comments that he will continue to support the LRE during this transition.
- The Executive Committee discussed the situation and recommends the Board move forward rapidly and put an Interim CEO in place while Mr. Hofman stays on during the transition. Mr. Stek updates that he has had conversations with Mr. Bill Riley as a proposed candidate.
- Mr. DeYoung would like to have the Boards confidence to have the Executive Committee move forward with the process as quickly as possible.
- Ms. Raleigh would like to know that the CMH CEOs have been involved in discussions of the proposed candidate. Mr. Stek updates that they have been involved and will continue to be involved. They have expressed agreement with negotiating with Mr. Riley for the position.
- Mr. Riley comes highly recommended due to his long-term experience and knowledge. a candidate for Interim as he has knowledge. Mr. Stek comments that there is a relatively limited amount of people and he has been identified as the top candidate for the position. If this makes sense to the Board then it makes sense to draft a contract and have a special board meeting to approve.
- Ms. Williams (WM CMH CEO) comments that the CMH CEOs have discussed and support putting Mr. Riley in place, if he agrees.
- Mr. DeYoung would like approval from the Board to create a CEO Search Committee. The suggested representative members would be 2 LRE Board members, CMH CEO, member of the LRE Consumer Advisory Panel and regional provider network.

LRE 20-54 Motion: To approve the Executive Committee to continue the process of engaging in contract discussions with Mr. Bill Riley for the position of LRE Interim CEO subject to submission of the final contract to the full Board, for approval

Moved: Shaun Raleigh Support: Stevi Riel
ROLL CALL VOTE - UNANIMOUS
MOTION CARRIED

LRE 20-55 Motion: To approve 2 LRE Board members, 1 CMH CEO, member of the LRE Consumer Advisory Panel or consumer advocate and regional provider network to serve on the LRE CEO Search Committee

Moved: John Snider Support: Peg Driesenga
ROLL CALL VOTE - UNANIMOUS
MOTION CARRIED

LRE 20-56 Motion: To authorize the Mr. DeYoung and the LRE CEO Search Committee to retain a search entity to work with, in finding CEO candidates

Moved: Stan Stek Support: John Snider
ROLL CALL VOTE - UNANIMOUS
MOTION CARRIED

BEACON REPORT

Beacon Report is included in packet for information

Ms. Ackermann highlights:

- There is continued focus on regional data integrity and reporting, clinical area of implementation of the MCGs and working collaboratively with the CMHs.
- Beacon is reviewing changes of the contract with LRE.
- Ms. Ackermann comments that she is happy for Mr. Hofman in his retirement and states that he is a person with very high integrity.
- Ms. Raleigh would like more detailed information in Beacon's report. Such as, which hospitals and what regions, split out the information into high level buckets - trends, costs, membership. Ms. Ackermann will discuss with Mr. Hofman on the best way to present this information to the Board.

ACTION ITEMS

LRE 20-57 Motion: To approve reappointment the FY 2021 Lakeshore Regional Entity Annual Budget as presented

Moved: John Snider Support: Jay Roberts-Eveland
ROLL CALL VOTE - UNANIMOUS
MOTION CARRIED

LRE 20-58 Motion: To approve Lakeshore Regional Entity Policy 5.14 Prior Review Authorization Request

Moved: John Snider Support: Peg Driesenga
ROLL CALL VOTE – UNANIMOUS
MOTION CARRIED

LRE 20-59 Motion: To authorize the LRE Chief Executive Officer and LRE Board Chair to sign the CMHSP Payment Transfer Agreement(s) to provide financial support to HealthWest for current vendor obligations thereby allowing the LRE to transfer funds from authorizing CMHSP(s) to HealthWest in amounts not to exceed \$169,480.

Moved: Stan Stek Support: Jay Roberts-Eveland
ROLL CALL VOTE - UNANIMOUS
MOTION CARRIED

LRE 20-60 Motion: To approve moving into a closed work session for the purpose of discussing MDHHS Settlement Strategies and HW lawsuit with the LRE counsel, Greg Moore

Moved: Jane Verduin Support: Patricia Gardner
ROLL CALL VOTE - UNANIMOUS
MOTION CARRIED

LRE 20-61 Motion: To approve moving out of a closed work

Moved: Stan Stek Support: John Snider
ROLL CALL VOTE - UNANIMOUS
MOTION CARRIED

FINANCIAL REPORT AND FUNDING DISTRIBUTION

FY2020 August Funds Distribution

Included in the Board packet for information.

LRE 20-62 Motion: To approve the FY2020 August Funds Distribution as presented

Moved: John Snider Support: Mathew Fenske
ROLL CALL VOTE - UNANIMOUS
MOTION CARRIED

Statement of Activities as of 7/31/2020 and Variance Report-

Included in the Board packet for information.

Member Bucket Reports-

Included in the Board packet for information.

OTTAWA COUNTY PA2

- Ms. Doyle explains that Ottawa County PA2 is asking for a one-time exception to the LRE policy/procedure 12.4 and 12.4a. This will allow the use of PA2 Reserves to pay Ottawa County providers until a resolution is agreed on between the LRE and Ottawa County.
- The legislation around PA2 funds is that the counties send back PA2 funds to the coordinating agency for SUD, which is the LRE. The LRE holds the contracts with the SUD providers. The funds are put into a separate bucket and may only be used for the county that they were received from. This may set a precedence of counties holding PA2 funds that are to be sent to the LRE for provider payment. The LRE has received PA2 funds from all other counties within the region. LRE and Ottawa are continuing to work collaboratively to resolve this.
- Ms. Johnson explains that Ottawa is retaining these funds due to the deficit that the LRE region has not yet settled. But the funding streams are separate and cannot be used to settle the Medicaid deficit amount owed to Ottawa.
- Mr. Stek clarifies that each county has sent in the PA2 funds to the LRE other than Ottawa County. Mr. Stek comments that we have to be careful with this precedence and recommends that we hold off on making a motion for use of the PA2 Reserves. Mr. Hofman's suggestion to ask Ottawa to release enough funds to pay Ottawa SUD providers is reasonable so there is no break in services until there is a settlement with the state.
- Mr. Fenske comments Ottawa County is holding these funds back because they are waiting to be cost settled for other funding buckets.
- Ms. Doyle reiterates that this would be used for nothing other than PA2 allowed services and not for any type of Medicaid expenses and would be a one-time ask.
- The Board understands that this would be used only for SUD services, but are hesitant due to the precedent it would set for upcoming years.
- Ms. Gardner asks that this discussion be tabled until the October Board meeting.

LRE 20-63 Motion: To table further discussion of Ottawa PA2 until the October 15, 2020 Board meeting

Moved: Patricia Gardner Support: Stan Stek

ROLL CALL VOTE - UNANIMOUS

MOTION CARRIED

CEO REPORT

Included in the Board packet for information.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

The LRE Board members would like to thank Mr. Hofman and congratulates him on his retirement.

PUBLIC COMMENT

UPCOMING LRE MEETINGS

- October 8, 2020 – Consumer Advisory Panel, 1:00 PM
- October 14, 2020 – Executive Committee, 3:00 PM
- October 15, 2020 – LRE Executive Board Meeting, 1:00 PM

ADJOURN

Mr. DeYoung adjourned the September 17, 2020 LRE Board of Directors meeting at 4:03 PM.

Mark DeYoung, Board Chair

Minutes respectfully submitted by:
Marion Dyga, Executive Assistant