

Michigan Health Endowment Fund
Board Meeting
May 13, 2021
Zoom Meeting

Meeting Minutes

Call to order

The board meeting of the Michigan Health Endowment Fund was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Chair Sue Jandernoa.

Roll call

A quorum was determined based on the presence of the following board members:

Board Members present:

Sue Jandernoa
Keith Pretty
Rob Fowler
Kathryn Boles
Michael Williams
Tina Reynolds
Henry Veenstra
Zaineb Hussein (arrived late)
Tim Damschroder (arrived late)

Others present:

Paul Hillegonds
Terry Gardner
Julie Skubik
Duane Tarnacki

Approval of agenda:

Chair Jandernoa asked if there were any comments regarding the agenda, which was approved without objection.

Review and approval of the minutes from the previous meetings:

Board Member Boles moved to approve the minutes from the Feb 11, 2021 board meeting. Board Member Reynolds seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

Chair's Report:

Chair Jandernoa thanked the board, staff and Bridgeport Consulting for their time developing a 5-year Strategic Plan. She reported that a board retreat is scheduled for August prior to the board meeting. Ms. Jandernoa proposed that all future meetings be held in person, depending on state guidelines. Also, she proposed to consider regularly moving the location of board meetings to communities around the state, to allow for direct community engagement.

Public Comment:

There was no public comment.

CEO Report:

Mr. Hillegonds thanked board members, staff, and Bridgeport Consulting for their time and support in preparation of the strategic planning process. Mr. Hillegonds reported on several Health Fund program successes. Also, he reported that the Health Fund Equity Team is planning facilitated staff conversation about how the health Fund can more effectively and empathetically address health disparities that are the result of systemic racism and other social determinants of health.

Board members Damschroder and Hussein joined the meeting.

Strategic Plan:

Chair Jandernoa reported that the proposed strategic plan responds well to what is known about the state of health in Michigan. The new plan includes a new vision statement, revised program priorities, and new grantmaking activity categories. Board members expressed their appreciation of the planning process and the resulting strategic plan.

Mr. Williams made a motion to accept the strategic plan and was seconded by Mr. Veenstra. The motion passed 9-0.

Audit Committee:

Committee Chair Pretty reported that the audit has been completed and was presented at the Audit Committee meeting held earlier in May. He noted that the audit report was “clean” and there were no exceptions noted in the financial statements. The committee voted to accept the audit and financial statements, which are posted on the Health Fund website. The following motion was made by Mr. Veenstra and seconded by Mr. Williams:

WHEREAS, the 2020 audited financial statements of Michigan Health Endowment Fund, as presented by George Johnson and Company and accepted by the Audit Committee have been submitted to the Board of Directors;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the 2020 audited financial statements as presented at the meeting be, and they hereby are, accepted.

The motion passed 9-0

Treasurer’s Report:

Mr. Pretty reported on the March 2021 financial statements and outlined budget variances. He reported that the Investment Committee met on March 29, 2021 to prepare for the 2021 contribution from Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan.

Grantmaking Committee:

Board Member Fowler reported that the Grantmaking Committee met on April 28, 2021, to review Community Health Impact proposals. The committee recommended 67 proposals and \$5.3 million in funding for the Community Health Impact grants. Program Officer Megan Murphy described the CHI grantmaking strategy, outlined the review process and presented the proposals. Listed below are the recommended proposals.

Community Health Impact Recommendations

Collaboration Planning Recommendations: 15 proposals totaling \$1,357,217

	Applicant	Project Title	Amount
1	3:11 Youth Housing	Circles of Support for Homeless Youth	\$100,000
2	American Heart Association, Inc.	It Takes a City Collaborative	\$100,000
3	Family Support Center of Barry County	Building a Trauma Informed Barry County	\$40,000
4	Four County Community Foundation	Improving Health Outcomes for Lapeer County Seniors	\$96,876
5	GenesisHOPE	Greater Villages Community Response System	\$99,780
6	Health Department of Northwest Michigan	Behavioral Health Planning Initiative in the NMCHIR	\$100,000
7	Heart of West Michigan United Way	Collaboration Planning for FNC and Food Policy Council	\$99,999
8	Henry Ford Health System	Improving Older Adult Healthcare in a Virtual Environment	\$99,998
9	Michigan Breast Feeding Network	Collaborative action to advance Black breastfeeding justice	\$100,000
10	Michigan Primary Care Association	Improving Community Partnerships for Elderly Adults	\$75,000
11	Project Healthy Community	Organizational Synergies Advancing Community Health	\$100,000
12	Services and Advocacy for Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Elders	LGBTQ+ Intergenerational Timebank Collaborative	\$100,000
13	The Regents of the University of Michigan	Title IVE to Prevent Infant Mortality	\$ 45,564
14	United Way for Southeastern Michigan	Southeast Michigan Community Information Exchange	\$100,000
15	Washtenaw Health Plan Corporation	Establishing a Washtenaw Latino Health Services Consortium	\$100,000

Community-Based Implementation Recommendations: 35 proposals totaling \$3,295,627

	Applicant	Project Title	Amount
1	Ann Arbor Center for Independent Living	Michigan Adaptive Sports & Inclusive Recreation Initiative	\$100,000
2	Ann Arbor Center for Independent Living	Michigan Adaptive Sports & Inclusive Recreation Initiative	\$100,000
3	Area Agency on Aging 1-B	Oakland Together Social Isolation Lifeline	\$89,240
4	Bridging Communities	Agencies United for Healthy Aging CHW Activation Initiative	\$99,420
5	Cass Community Social Services	Social Health Integration in the Cass Corridor	\$93,775
6	CHRT	Home Nutrition+ Program	\$100,000
7	Communities First, Inc.	Flint Culinary Hub	\$100,000

8	Crim Fitness Foundation	Mindfulness-Based Resilience Training for First Responders	\$100,000
9	Downtown Boxing Gym Youth Program	Whole Student Wellness: A Framework for Life	\$85,400
10	Eastern Michigan University	Health Coaches: Wellness & Fitness for Older Asian Americans	\$100,000
11	Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan	Seizure Smart Mental Health Professional Network	\$20,000
12	Ferris State University	Telehealth: Increase SUD/ODU Access in a Three-County Area	\$100,000
13	First Tee of Mid Michigan (Michigan State University)	Enhancing Youth Physical Activity and Well-being (YPAW)	\$99,692
14	Grand Rapids African American Health Institute	The African American Youth Wellness & Mental Health Program	\$100,000
15	Greater Detroit Area Health Council	Brother to Brother	\$99,557
16	Groundwork Center for Resilient Communities	Building a Foundation for Community Health	\$100,000
17	Growing Hope	Health Equity in Ypsilanti via a Teen Leadership Program	\$99,492
18	Habitat for Humanity Detroit	Return Home Safe	\$100,000
19	Health Emergency Lifeline Programs	Transgender Aging and Health Project	\$100,000
20	Home of New Vision	Jackson Engagement Center for Substance Use Disorder	\$100,000
21	Ishpeming Public School District	Growing Future Farmers, Healthy Eaters, and Leaders Project	\$86,291
22	Michigan Organization on Adolescent Sexual Health	Addressing the Behavioral Health Needs of LGBTQ+ Students	\$100,000
23	Michigan State University	Developing Health Education Lessons for Tribal Home Visiting	\$100,000
24	Michigan State University	Telemedicine to Improve Healthcare Access for Rural Seniors	\$100,000
25	Michigan Technological University	Keep the UP Moving During COVID-19 with Exercise is Medicine	\$100,000
26	Migrant Legal Aid, Inc.	Improving Health for Migrant and Immigrant Food Workers	\$100,000
27	Southwest Solutions	Piquette Square Veterans Healing Garden	\$90,000
28	Special Olympics Michigan	Inclusive Health	\$100,000
29	Ten Sixteen Recovery Network	Oasis Development in SUD Treatment Deserts	\$100,000
30	The Guidance Center	Youth Mental Health First Aid training	\$99,685
31	UP Opioid Partnership	UP Opioid Partnership	\$100,000
32	Washtenaw Promise	Bob-a-Loo. Moving At-risk Children Toward a Healthy Path	\$34,989
33	Wayne State University	Partnership to Prevent Obesity in Preschoolers	\$98,086

34	Western U.P. Planning & Development Region	Improving capacity & healthy local food access in UP Schools	\$100,000
35	YWCA Kalamazoo	Kalamazoo's Maternal/Child Health Universal Access Project	\$100,000

Capacity Building Recommendations: 17 proposals totaling \$695,486

	Applicant	Project Title	Amount
1	AgeWell Services of West Michigan	Meals on Wheels and Lunch and Activity Centers Tech Growth	\$27,500
2	Atlantic Impact	Our Town Cares	\$40,418
3	Catherine's Health Center	Expanding Awareness of Access to Care	\$50,000
4	Challenge Mountain of Walloon Hills Inc	Feasibility Study: Adaptive Skiing Lodge & Equipment Project	\$50,000
5	Community Action House	Deepening collaboration - Lakeshore Food Rescue	\$50,000
6	Focus: HOPE	Next Steps: The Focus: HOPE Volunteer Management System	\$50,000
7	Generations United	Intergenerational Innovation Hub for a Healthy Michigan	\$50,000
8	Interfaith Health and Hope Coalition (Metro Solutions)	Connections of Faith, Health, and Hope	\$50,000
9	Kadima	Agency Integration Project	\$50,000
10	Maggie's Wigs 4 Kids of Michigan, Inc	Strategic Framework and Succession Planning	\$12,800
11	Mentor2Youth (Nonprofit Enterprises at Work)	Raising Royalty Evaluation Project	\$16,200
12	Michigan Health Improvement Alliance	MiHIA and THRIVE Website Redesign Effort	\$49,830
13	Packard Health, Inc.	Creating a Wellness & Prevention Roadmap at Packard Health	\$50,000
14	Prevention Michigan, Inc	Board Development and Rebranding	\$37,501
15	United Methodist Community House	The Fresh Market at UMCH	\$50,000
16	United Methodist Retirement Communities (UMRC) Foundation	Tackling Systemic Racism through DEI Training	\$38,937
17	We the People Opportunity Farm (Nonprofit Enterprises at Work)	Building Blocks	\$22,300

Chair Jandernoa asked all board members to identify any of the recommended grants where he/she might have a conflict of interest. Mr. Damschroder stated his conflict with Henry Ford Health System and wished to abstain from the vote on the grant.

Mr. Fowler moved and Mr. Damschroder seconded, approval of the 66 grants listed above which presented no conflict of interest for board members.

The vote passed 9-0.

Next, Mr. Pretty moved to approve the recommended grant application to Henry Ford Health System and Mr. Veenstra seconded. Mr. Damschroder abstained.

The vote passed 8-0.

Next, the committee recommended one Behavioral Health proposal totaling \$500,000 and two Special Projects and Emerging Ideas proposals totaling \$1 million. Program Director Becky Cienki described the review process and presented the proposals.

Listed below are the recommend proposals.

Behavioral Health Recommendation: 1 proposal totaling \$500,000

	Applicant	Project Title	Amount
1	The Regents of the University of Michigan	TRAILS: Building a Statewide Student Mental Health Solution	\$500,000

Special Projects & Emerging Ideas Recommendations: 2 proposals totaling \$1,000,000

	Applicant	Project Title	Amount
1	Michigan Association for Local Public Health	Outreach to Vulnerable Populations for COVID-19 Vaccines	\$500,000
2	Michigan Primary Care Association	Outreach to Vulnerable Populations for COVID-19 Vaccines	\$500,000

Chair Jandernoa asked all board members to identify any of the recommended grants where he/she might have a conflict of interest. There were none.

Mr. Fowler moved, and Mr. Pretty seconded, to approve the 3 grants listed above.

The vote passed 9-0.

Executive and Compensation Committee:

In order to update the signature authority of Health Fund officers, the following motion was made by Mr. Williams and seconded by Mr. Damschroder:

RESOLVED, that the chairperson, treasurer, president/chief executive officer, and chief financial officer/chief operating officer of Michigan Health Endowment Fund (the "Fund") be, and they hereby are, authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of the Fund such printed resolutions as they shall determine to be necessary or desirable to establish depository banking resolutions with such financial institutions as they deem appropriate, which shall name the chairperson, treasurer, president/chief executive officer, and chief financial officer/chief operating officer as "Authorized Signers" on such depository bank account, and such resolutions, when executed and delivered, will be deemed to be adopted by the Board of Directors of the Fund as if set forth herein;

FURTHER RESOLVED, that any Authorized Signer may take for and on behalf of the Fund any of the following actions with respect to any such depository account: the signing (by facsimile or actual signature) of checks, drafts, acceptances and other instruments and orders for the payment or withdrawal of monies, credits, items and property at any time held by such depository for the account of the Fund and any transfers between Fund accounts, and such depository is hereby authorized to honor any and all thereof without inquiry as to the circumstances of the issue or the disposition of the proceeds thereof and without limit as to amount, provided such instruments and orders not effecting transfers between Fund accounts and in amounts over \$5,000 bear the signatures of two Authorized Signers, and for instruments and orders not effecting transfers between Fund accounts and in amounts over \$500,000 bear the signatures of two Authorized Signers, one of whom must be the treasurer or chairperson;

FURTHER RESOLVED, that as of the date of adoption of these resolutions the following individuals have been duly elected or appointed to serve in the position opposite their respective names:

Name	Title
Susan Jandernoa	Chairperson
Keith Pretty	Treasurer
Paul Hillegonds	President/Chief Executive Officer
Terry Gardner	Chief Financial Officer/Chief Operating Officer

The motion passed 9-0.

Ms. Jandernoa requested a closed session in order to consult with legal counsel. A motion was made to go into closed session by Mr. Williams and seconded by Mr. Damschroder. After a roll call vote, all board members approved adjourning to closed session to meet with counsel.

The board closed the open session at the same time it adjourned the closed session due to technical challenges with the Zoom meeting.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Skubik
Secretary of the meeting