

Michigan Health Endowment Fund
Board Meeting
August 12, 2021
Greater Midland Community Center

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
Kathryn Boles
Michael Williams
Tina Reynolds
Henry Veenstra
Zaineb Hussein
Tim Damschroder

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 Pretty moved to approve the minutes from the May 13, 2021 board meeting. Board Member Williams seconded. Motion passed 8-0.

Chair's Report:

Chair Jandernoa thanked the Greater Midland Community Center for hosting the board meeting and providing an overview of the community health programs they support. She also thanked MiHIAA and Mid-Michigan Health leaders for their briefing on how they are addressing health disparities in the region. Chair Jandernoa also recognized the CEO Search Committee and all the Health Fund directors for the time and serious deliberation they have given to the selection of the next Health Fund CEO. Chair Jandernoa thanked Rob Fowler, Keith Pretty and Tim Damschroder for their service to the Health Fund Board, as their terms are expiring. Rob Fowler played a key role in organizing the Health Fund as the first board chair and currently serves as the Grantmaking Committee Chair. Tim Damschroder led the Health Fund board for 4 years and has been a valued Investment Committee member focused on the stewardship of the growing endowment. Treasurer Keith Pretty has chaired the Audit and Investment Committee over the

past five years, exercising critical financial oversight. He also is chairing the CEO Search Committee. His contributions, along with Rob's and Tim's, will sustain the Health Fund's mission and work for decades to come.

Public Comment:

There was no public comment.

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

The board returned to the opening session of the meeting.

CEO Report:

Mr. Hillegonds thanked the board and search committee for their time given to the selection of the Health Fund's next CEO. He also recognized Tim Damschroder, Rob Fowler and Keith Pretty for their service to the Health Fund. The three board member's terms will expire in October 2021. He reported that program staff members are reviewing 14 Special Projects and Emerging Ideas proposals after issuing invitations which resulted in 19 concept papers. This year's Healthy Aging RFP resulted in the receipt of 91 concept papers. SPEI and Healthy Aging recommendations will be considered by Grantmaking Committee members in late October and acted on by the board at the November board meeting. Mr. Hillegonds reported on the positive survey responded by unsuccessful and successful 2021 Community Health Impact Program applicants. He also reported that Program Director Kari Sederburg will participate in the 2021 Healthy Aging Summit and share information on how the Health Fund is engaging the collaboration of Michigan health systems, policy makers and researchers to create age-friendly support networks. Mr. Hillegonds reported that the Health Fund Annual Report will go online next month. A Learning Section has been added to the Health Fund website that houses a growing collection of publications, case studies and reports highlighting the knowledge gained from the partners and programs supported by the Health Fund.

Treasurer's Report:

Mr. Pretty reported on the June 2021 financial statements. The Investment Committee met with the advisors from Northern Trust to review the operating portfolio holdings, the long-term cash flow, Monte Carlo analysis and endowment portfolio.

Grantmaking Committee:

Committee Vice Chair Boles reported that the Grantmaking Committee met June 22, 2021 to review Behavioral Health grant proposals. The recommendations were split into two categories and the first category was the traditional Behavioral Health program. The committee recommended 14 proposals and \$4.2 million in funding.

	Applicant	Project Title	Amount Recommended
1	AuSable Valley Community Mental Health	Ogemaw County No Wrong Door Access Program	\$285,527
2	CARE of Southeastern Michigan	Not On Tobacco (N-O-T) Teen Vaping Cessation Program	\$146,664

3	Catholic Human Services, Inc.	Recovery Resources for Teens and Families	\$492,563
4	Cherry Health	Integrating YSBIRT in School-Based Health Centers	\$293,042
5	District Health Department #10	Interconnected Mental Health System for Youth	\$500,000
6	Eastern Michigan University	School-Based Early Childhood Behavioral Health Program	\$167,002
7	Kent Intermediate School District	KISA Student Wellbeing Survey	\$70,500
8	Livingston County Community Mental Health Authority	Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing Program	\$343,428
9	LifeWays Community Mental Health	Behavioral Health Beyond Our Front Door	\$78,473
10	Michigan Peer Review Organization	Libraries as Mental Health Hubs	\$346,445
11	MidMichigan Health Foundation	Expanding Access to Care Thru Technology & Teamwork	\$250,000
12	Spectrum Health Foundation	Suicide S.A.F.E. Team Response: Blue Envelope	\$485,996
13	Trinity Health, Michigan d/b/a Mercy Health Saint Mary's	Collaborative Behavioral Health Crisis Stabilization Unit	\$500,000
14	Upper Peninsula Health Care Solutions	Behavioral Health Tele-ECHO Project	\$255,318

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

Mr. Williams moved and Mr. Pretty seconded, approval of the 13 grants listed above which presented no conflict of interest for board members. The motion passed 8-0.

Next, Mr. Veenstra moved to approve the recommended grant application to Trinity Health and Ms. Boles seconded. Chair Jandernoa abstained. The motion passed 7-0.

The second group of recommendations was for the Racial Disparities in Behavioral Health Follow-up Care initiative. The committee recommended 4 proposals totaling \$825,000.

	Applicant	Project Title	Amount Recommended
1	GFM The Synergy Center	Racial Disparities in Behavioral Health Follow-Up Care	\$200,000
2	Oakland Family Services	Barrier Busting: Uncovering Disparities in Behavioral Health	\$225,000
3	Self-Help Addiction Rehabilitation (SHAR)	Defining the Barriers to Access Our Needs	\$200,000
4	Women of Colors (Fiduciary: Saginaw Community Foundation)	Racial Disparity in Behavioral Health Project	\$200,000

Chair Jandernoa asked all board members to identify any of the recommended grants where he/she might have a conflict of interest. Mr. Williams stated his conflict with Oakland Family Services and wished to abstain from the vote on the grant.

Mr. Pretty moved and Mr. Veenstra seconded, approval of the 3 grants listed above which presented no conflict of interest for board members.

The motion passed 8-0.

Next, Ms. Boles moved to approve the recommended grant application to Oakland Family Services and Mr. Veenstra seconded. Mr. Williams abstained.

The motion passed 7-0.

Next, Committee Vice Chair Reynolds reported that the Grantmaking Committee met June 29, 2021 to review the Nutrition and Healthy Lifestyles grant proposals. The committee recommended 18 proposals and \$6.4 million in funding. Also, the Grantmaking Committee recommended participation in a collaborative funding opportunity with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, the Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Foundation, and the W.K. Kellogg Foundation. Grants selected for collaborative funding will be presented to the Health Fund Board for approval at the November board meeting.

	Applicant	Project Title	Amount Recommended
1	CATCH Global Foundation	CATCH Michigan: Expanding Whole Child Wellness Statewide	\$481,000
2	Community Mental Health of Ottawa County	Healthy Living and Learning Ottawa County	\$155,000
3	Crim Fitness Foundation	Growing Resilience: Mind, Body, Community	\$150,000
4	Detroit Public Schools Foundation	Horticulture Career Pathways Program Planning	\$159,500
5	Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan	Native American Nutrition Prescription Program	\$499,131
6	Michigan Department of Education	Best Food Forward: Phase II	\$499,636
7	Michigan Health Improvement Alliance	Local Food Ecosystem Improvement Project	\$339,648
8	Michigan State University	Advancing Health & Equity via Michigan's Local Food Councils	\$499,948
9	Michigan State University	Expansion of Produce Prescriptions: A Prenatal Pilot	\$482,322
10	Michigan State University	Food as Medicine for High-Risk Pregnant and Postpartum Women	\$500,000
11	Northern Michigan University	Exploring a Healthy, Sustainable Food Network in MI UP	\$194,421
12	Residents In Action (Fiduciary: Community Action Agency)	A Systems Approach to Food Security for Black Children	\$200,000
13	Sparrow Foundation – Sparrow Health System	Feeding Your Growing Family – Addressing Food Insecurity Among At-Risk Mothers	\$231,206

14	Superior Health Foundation	Improving Food Insecurities in the U.P.	\$200,000
15	Vista Grande Villa	Village Garden Venture: Phase II	\$499,997
16	Wayne State University	BHC: Reducing Health Disparities in Schools	\$500,000
17	Wayne State University	Citizenship for Health	\$198,892
18	Wayne State University	Functional Aging & Mindfulness for Seniors	\$375,000

Chair Jandernoa asked all board members to identify any of the recommended grants where he/she might have a conflict of interest. There were no conflicts.

Mr. Williams moved to approve all 18 grant recommendation as listed above and Mr.Veenstra seconded.

The motion passed 8-0.

Next, Board Member Reynolds reported that the Governance Committee met on July 27, 2021 to discuss various topics including aligning the policy manual to current practices of the Health Fund. It was determined that an additional Governance Committee meeting is necessary to further discuss topics and the committee will present any recommendations at the November board meeting.

As a follow up to the policy manual discussion, Mr. Gardner outlined the Health Fund's current DEI program and initiatives, including the desire to hire consultants to further expand the program.

Adjournment

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

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Skubik
Secretary of the meeting