

BLOOMINGDALE TOWNSHIP MENTAL HEALTH BOARD MINUTES OF THE  
MEETINGS

August 11, 2022

This meeting of the Bloomingdale Township Mental Health Board was called to order by Vice-Chairperson Mike McGinn, at 6:31 p.m..

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Roll Call:**

Present: Diana Eckert, Michael McGinn, Kirk Etapa, Dena Forsythe, Marco Parducci

Absent: Dominick Lanzito, Earl Merritt

A quorum was present.

Also present were Marilyn Link, Ray Wanders, Chelsea Gieseke, Deanne Pacione, Mary Crick, Daniel Riemenschneider.

**Approval of Minutes: June 09, 2022**

Mike McGinn made a motion to approve the May 11, 2022, meeting minutes.

Seconded by Kirk Etapa.

Aye: Diana Eckert, Michael McGinn, Kirk Etapa, Dena Forsythe, Marco Parducci

Absent: Dominick Lanzito, Earl Merritt.

**Board Member Reports:**

There were no board member reports

**Youth Services Bureau Annual Report**

The report was presented by Chelsea Gieseke. Ms. Gieseke reported that The Youth Services Bureau has in providing services for the past 50 years. The Bureau has been providing various types of services including in person, zoom, and phone interventions. The Bureau continues to provide services to Lake Park High School and the middle schools. The Bureau receives 50% of its referrals from schools. They have provided 1,454 hours of treatment. This is an increase from last year. Ms. Gieseke also introduced a new therapist, Deanna Pacione. Diana Eckert notice a decrease in police referrals. Ms. Gieseke commented that it may be due to the police departments having in house social workers. Diana

Eckert also noticed on the report, page 3, first paragraph it should read "Bloomingdale Township" instead of "Bloomingdale residents."

**2021- 2022. Grant Term Extension-AMITA**

AMITA-Ascension has communicated with the board that they are having difficulty finding and hiring a counselor for Marquart Middle School. As a result, AMITA-Ascension has not used all of the funds allocated, and are asking for a six-month extension. It was discussed that in the past, extensions have been granted. Dena Forsythe motioned that a six-month grant extension be approved. The motion was Diana Eckert seconded

Aye: Diana Eckert, Michael McGinn, Kirk Etapa, Dena Forsythe, Marco Parducci  
Absent: Dominick Lanzito, Earl Merritt.

**Correspondence:**

A motion was made by Diana Eckert, seconded by Dena Forsythe to accept and place on file the correspondences received

Aye: Aye: Diana Eckert, Michael McGinn, Kirk Etapa, Dena Forsythe, Marco Parducci

Absent: Dominick Lanzito, Earl Merritt.

**Review of Financial Reports:**

Mike McGinn motioned, seconded by Diana Eckert to accept the financial reports presented.

Aye: Diana Eckert, Michael McGinn, Kirk Etapa, Dena Forsythe, Marco Parducci  
Absent: Dominick Lanzito, Earl Merritt.

**Invoice Review and Approval:**

Diana Eckert motioned that the invoices be placed in the minutes, seconded by Dena Forsythe to approve payment of the invoices presented.

Aye: Diana Eckert, Michael McGinn, Kirk Etapa, Dena Forsythe, Marco Parducci  
Absent: Dominick Lanzito, Earl Merritt.

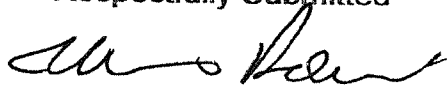
**Public Comment:**

1. Mary Crick of ABC wanted to update the board about a member of her organization that recently suffered a stroke. Ms. Crick stated that the ABC member was recovering and is improving each day.

**Adjournment:** There being no other business, Mike McGinn moved to adjourn the meeting. A verbal vote was taken. The vote was unanimous to adjourn the meeting. The next board meeting is scheduled for September 7 at 6:30. This will be the first of the in person grant proposals.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:50 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Marco Parducci', written in a cursive style.

Marco Parducci

Mental Health Board Secretary