

Meeting Minutes
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Lakeshore Regional Entity
February 18, 2021 – 1:00 PM

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS – Mr. DeYoung

Mr. DeYoung called the February 18, 2021 LRE Board meeting to order at 1:02 PM.

ROLL CALL/CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTION – Mr. DeYoung

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

Absent: Shaun Raleigh

Ms. Driesenga and Ms. Johnson would like to declare a conflict of interest and will remove themselves from any discussion or vote regarding the Direct Care Wage discussion and action item.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

CONSENT ITEMS:

LRE 21-03 Motion: To approve by consent the following item.

- February 18, 2021 Board of Directors meeting agenda
- January 21, 2020 Board of Directors meeting minutes

Moved: John Snider Support: Jay Roberts-Eveland

ROLL CALL VOTE - UNANIMOUS

MOTION CARRIED

CONSUMER ADVISORY PANEL

Meeting minutes are included in packet information.

- The Consumer Advisory Panel would like to publicly extend their appreciation to Greg Hofman as the leader of the group and the CEO of the LRE.

LEADERSHIP REPORTS

Reports are included in packet for information. Mr. Riley suggests reading through the reports for operational updates.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Minutes from the February 10, 2021 Executive Committee meeting are included in the packet.

BEACON REPORT

- Discussions during the contract negotiations were very collaborative. Beacon is committed to the success of the LRE and believes the relationship has provided value. It is normal for organizational relationships to change and now we are tasked with providing value moving forward.
- Josh Lemmon presents a PP that provides a snapshot of the data analysis that Beacon will provide in the future. The PP is posted on the LRE website.
 - Integration of data is in early stages. Beacon's goal is to present data and explain what the data means.
 - It is important to align data resources regionally and with the State.
 - Could the region use an outside vendor? Mr. Riley answers: LRE will leverage data that we are collecting to understand trends and in the future, we may want to have more discussion about utilizing an outside vendor.

CEO SEARCH COMMITTEE

- Mr. Stek would like to thank the members of the committee. He comments that due diligence in working with Hiring Solutions was fulfilled. The committee would like to give a unanimous and strong recommendation to offer Ms. Marlatt-Dumas the CEO position.

ACTION ITEMS

LRE 21-04 Motion: To approve the LRE Board Chair and Vice Chair to move forward with negotiating and fully executing the LRE Chief Executive Officer position contract with Ms. Mary Marlatt-Dumas.

Moved: Jane Verduin Support: John Snider

ROLL CALL VOTE - UNANIMOUS

MOTION CARRIED

LRE 21-05 Motion: To approve the Lakeshore Regional Entity's 80%/20% Employer/Employee health care cost sharing option as set forth in Public Act 152 section 4 and to limit its share of the total annual health care costs to not more than 80 percent.

Moved: John Snider Support: Jay Roberts-Eveland

ROLL CALL VOTE - UNANIMOUS

MOTION CARRIED

LRE 21-06 Motion: The Lakeshore Regional Entity Board of Directors would like to formally approve a motion that recognizes Mr. Hofman's excellent leadership as the Chief Executive Officer and to thank him for his long-standing commitment and support to this region and individuals served. The Board members would like to congratulate him on his retirement.

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

LRE 21-07 Motion: To approve the Lakeshore Regional Entity's request, extending the COVID-19 direct care worker premium pay increase of \$2.00 per hour through March 31, 2021 with the increase going to the same categories of workers covered under the MDHHS approved "COVID-19 Premium Pay" increase effective until February 28, 2021 (attached) and contingent upon there being no other state or federal funds available to cover this expense.

Moved: Jay Roberts-Eveland Support: Steven Gilbert
ROLL CALL VOTE
MOTION CARRIED

- The State funded DCW increase will end on February 28th. Many of the PIHPs around the state will extend the increase through their surplus funds one month at a time. The LRE is asking for approval to extend the increased wage by 1 month and only if there are no other state or federal funds available to do so. This has been discussed with the CMH CEOs who agree that this should be done.
- LRE would also like to develop a resolution for Board consideration regarding continued advocacy for a permanent increase.
- Ms. Verduin has voted no because she believes that the LRE must hold the line because of our negotiations with the state.
- Mr. Gilbert comments that there is support in the senate and the state for the continuation of the increased wage. But he cannot give 100% assurances.

LRE 21-08 Motion: To authorize the LRE Board Chair to draft and send a Board resolution to MDHHS calling for continued advocacy for an extension and/or a permanent increase for direct care workers.

Moved: Mathew Fenske Support: Ron Sanders
ROLL CALL VOTE -
MOTION CARRIED

LRE 21-09 Motion: To approve the LRE Interim CEO to fully execute the Amendment #1 to the Beacon Health Options contract contingent on the review and approval of Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS).

Moved: John Snider Support: Stan Stek

ROLL CALL VOTE - UNANIMOUS
MOTION CARRIED

FINANCIAL REPORT AND FUNDING DISTRIBUTION

FY2021 January Funds Distribution

Included in the Board packet for information.

LRE 21-09 Motion: To approve the FY2021 January Funds Distribution as presented

Moved: Jack Greenfield Support: Mathew Fenske

ROLL CALL VOTE - UNANIMOUS
MOTION CARRIED

Statement of Activities as of 12/31/2020 and Variance Report-

Included in the Board packet for information.

Member Bucket Reports-

Included in the Board packet for information.

- We continue to project a surplus, as of this report. The amount of surplus is dependent on many variables and LRE will continue to monitor and report changes.

CEO REPORT

Included in the Board packet for information.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

- Board members thank Mr. Hofman for his service. Board members would also like to thank Mr. Riley because his knowledge and relationships have been invaluable. The Board is looking forward to working with Ms. Marlatt-Dumas.
- Ms. Raleigh appreciates the direction that LRE is taking with the Beacon contract. She is looking forward seeing the data and explanations of the data.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

UPCOMING LRE MEETINGS

- March 10, 2021 – LRE Executive Committee, 3:00 PM
- March 18, 2021 – LRE Executive Board Meeting, 1:00 PM

ADJOURN

Mr. DeYoung adjourned the February 18, 2021 LRE Board of Directors meeting at 2:42 PM.

Mark DeYoung, Board Chair

Minutes respectfully submitted by:
Marion Dyga, Executive Assistant