

MINUTES

BAY ARENAC BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL NOMINATION COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, March 4, 2026 at 5:00 pm
Room 225, Behavioral Health Center, 201 Mulholland Street, Bay City, MI 48708

Committee Members:	Present	Excused	Absent	Committee Members:	Present	Excused	Absent	Others Present:
Tim Banaszak	X	_____	_____	Sally Mrozinski	X	_____	_____	BABH: Chris Pinter and Sara McRae
Jerome Crete	_____	X	_____	Kathy Niemiec	X	_____	_____	Legend: M-Motion; S-Support; MA-Motion Adopted; AB-Abstained
Christopher Girard	X	_____	_____					

	Agenda Item	Discussion	Motion/Action
1.	Call To Order & Roll Call	The chair pro tem, Christopher Girard, called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.	On the motion by T. Banaszak and support by S. Mrozinski, J. Crete was excused. The motion passed unanimously.
2.	Public Input (Maximum of 5 Minutes)	There were not any members of the public present.	
3.	Nomination & Elections 3.1) Committee Chair 3.2) Committee Vice Chair	3.1) Committee Chair Pro Tem, C. Girard, asked for nominations for committee chair. S. Mrozinski nominated C. Girard. Hearing no other nominations, Committee Chair Pro Tem, C. Girard, closed nominations. The Committee elected C. Girard as committee chair. 3.2) Committee Chair, C. Girard, asked for nominations for committee vice chair. C. Girard nominated K. Niemiec. Hearing no other nominations, Committee Chair, C. Girard, closed nominations. The Committee elected K. Niemiec as committee vice chair.	
4.	Unfinished Business	There was not any unfinished business.	

5.	<p>New Business</p> <p>5.1) Review of applicants in accordance with the Mental Health Code for four (4) BABH Board of Directors appointments by the Bay County Commission</p> <p>5.2) Schedule the next meeting for purposes of 2026 Board Officers recommendations</p>	<p>S. McRae reported there are four BABHA board member terms expiring March 31, 2026. The Bay County Board of Commissioners asked BABHA to assist in the appointment process of four members with terms commencing April 1, 2026 and expiring March 31, 2029. An advertisement soliciting applications was published in local newspapers in the first week of February. Eight applications were received. The applicants were reviewed in accordance with the requirements in the Mental Health Code (MHC). S. McRae reported one applicant needs to fulfill a consumer classification as identified in the MHC to ensure compliance. S. McRae reviewed the draft letter and Nomination Committee report for the Bay County Board of Commissioners.</p> <p>5.2) After discussion, the committee concurred to schedule a special meeting on April 8, 2026 immediately after Finance Committee for purposes of the 2026 board officer recommendations.</p>	<p>5.1) On the motion by T. Banaszak and support by K. Niemiec, the committee approved forwarding the letter verifying the Mental Health Code requirements of the applicants to the Bay County Board of Commissioners. The motion was adopted unanimously.</p> <p>5.2) No action was necessary</p>
6.	Adjournment	On the motion by K. Niemiec and support by S. Mrozinski, the meeting adjourned at 5:07 pm. The motion passed unanimously.	


 Christopher Girard, Committee Chair Pro Tem