

MINUTES

BAY ARENAC BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARD OF DIRECTORS PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, May 14, 2026 at 5:00 pm

Room 225, Behavioral Health Center, 201 Mulholland Street, Bay City, MI 48708

Committee Members:	Present	Excused	Absent		Present	Excused	Absent	Others Present:
Christopher Girard, Ch	X	_____	_____	Carole O'Brien	X	_____	_____	BABH: Joelin Hahn, Karen Amon, Nicole Sweet, Chris Pinter, and Sara McRae Legend: M-Motion; S-Support; MA- Motion Adopted; AB-Abstained
Pam Schumacher, V Ch	X	_____	_____	Staci Tuggle	X	_____	_____	
Shelley King	X	_____	_____	Pat McFarland, Ex Off	_____	X	_____	
Sally Mrozinski	X	_____	_____	Robert Pawlak, Ex Off	X	_____	_____	

	Agenda Item	Discussion	Motion/Action
1.	Call To Order & Roll Call	The Committee Chair, C. Girard, called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.	On the motion by P. Schumacher and support by R. Pawlak, P. McFarland was excused. The motion passed unanimously.
2.	Public Input (Maximum of 3 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, C. Girard, asked for nominations for committee chair. S. Mrozinski nominated C. Girard for chair. C. O'Brien supported the nomination. Hearing no other nominations, C. Girard closed nominations. The Committee elected C. Girard as committee chair. 3.2) Committee Chair, C. Girard, asked for nominations for committee chair. S. Mrozinski nominated P. Schumacher for vice chair. Hearing no other nominations, C. Girard closed nominations. The Committee elected P. Schumacher as committee vice chair.	
4.	Unfinished Business	There was not any unfinished business.	

<p>5.</p>	<p>New Business</p> <p>5.1) Clinical Program Review: Behavioral Treatment Review Committee, K. Amon</p> <p>5.2) Request for Clinical Privileges: a) Andrew M. Lister, D.O. – three-year renewal term expiring May 31, 2029</p> <p>5.3) Policies Beginning 30-day Review: a) Personal Property and Funds Policy, 03-03-10 b) Freedom of Movement Policy, 03-03-11</p> <p>5.4) Primary Network Operations and Quality Management Committee Notes from the February 12, 2026 meeting</p> <p>5.5) Advocacy Update</p>	<p>5.1) K. Amon reported the main purpose of the Behavioral Treatment Review Committee (BTRC) is to ensure that behavior interventions incorporating restrictive or intrusive procedures are appropriate. K. Amon also reviewed the BTRC membership, meeting schedule, data collection process, functions, and duties. K. Amon noted the impact of the Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA) on increased interventions and BTRC activity. There were general discussions regarding that acronym for ABA as well as the history of BTRC including requirements in the Mental Health Code and the importance of respecting the Rights of individuals in services.</p> <p>5.2) The Committee reviewed the notes.</p> <p>5.3) K. Amon reported the proposed changes were recommended by the Recipient Right auditors. These items are covered in individual plans of service and Recipient Rights protections. C. Pinter noted these policies apply to all settings and the previous language was specific to residential settings. There were general discussions related to the reasons for the state’s recommendation.</p> <p>5.4) The Committee reviewed the notes.</p> <p>5.5) C. Pinter reviewed the Community Mental Health Association’s (CMHA) concerns regarding the Mental Health Framework released by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) because the proposal blurs the lines between Medicaid Health Plans (MHPs) and community mental health (CMH) for specialty mental health services. State law carves out the specialty mental health program. C. Pinter noted</p>	<p>5.1) No action was necessary</p> <p>5.2) On the motion by P. Schumacher and support by R. Pawlak, the request for clinical privileges for Andrew M. Lister, D.O., were referred to the full board for approval. The motion was adopted unanimously.</p> <p>5.3) On the motion by R. Pawlak and support by S. Mrozinski, the policies to begin 30-day review were referred to the full board for approval. The motion was adopted unanimously.</p> <p>5.4) No action was necessary</p> <p>5.5) No action was necessary</p>
-----------	---	--	--

	<p>5.6) Recovery Housing Proposal</p>	<p>the history of the Prepaid Inpatient Health (PIHP) request for proposal (RFP) released by MDHHS last year, the court case, and then MDHHS subsequently withdrawing the RFP. C. Pinter reported that State Representative Bolin presented boilerplate language blocking the PIHP procurement and the Mental Health Framework. Leadership will continue to monitor the status of these items. There were general discussions regarding the similarities of the Mental Health Framework and the PIHP procurement.</p> <p>5.6) C. Pinter reported a proposal for recovery housing in Bay County has been presented to the Bangor Township Board of Trustees for zoning consideration. A letter of support for the recovery housing proposal has been requested from BABH. There have been discussions in Bay County over the last year about additional recovery housing. There are also other housing developments projects in Bay County currently. C. Pinter reviewed the substance use disorder (SUD) data for Arenac and Bay Counties between 2019 – 2024. There were general discussions that BABH is supportive of more services overall and that it is Bangor Township Board of Trustees decision on the zoning issue. The Committee concluded to see what Bangor Township decides on the zoning matter and then C. Pinter can address at the next board meeting, if necessary.</p>	<p>5.6) No action was necessary</p>
<p>5.</p>	<p>Adjournment</p>	<p>On the motion by S. King and support by S. Mrozinski, the meeting adjourned at 5:40 pm. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	


 Christopher Girard, Committee Chair