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BAY ARENAC BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARD OF DIRECTORS FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, September 9, 2026 at 5:00 pm

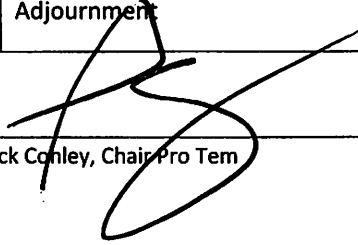
Room 225, Behavioral Health Center, 201 Mulholland Street, Bay City, MI 48708

Committee Members:	Present	Excused	Absent		Present	Excused	Absent	Others Present:
Tim Banaszak, Ch		X		Kathy Niemiec	X			BABH: Marci Rozek, Chris Pinter, M.
Sally Mrozinski, V Ch, Ex Off		X		Pam Schumacher	X			Prusi, K. Amon, and Sara McRae
Richard Byrne	X			Pat McFarland, Ex Off		X		Legend: M-Motion; S-Support; MA-
Patrick Conley	X			Robert Pawlak, Ex Off	X			Motion Adopted; AB-Abstained
Christopher Girard	X							

	Agenda Item	Discussion	Motion/Action
1.	Call To Order & Roll Call	Committee Chair Pro-tem, P. Conley, called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.	On the motion by C. Girard and support by R. Pawlak, P. McFarland was excused. The motion passed unanimously. On the motion by C. Girard and support by K. Niemiec, T. Banaszak was excused. The motion passed unanimously. On the motion by P. Schumacher and support by C. Girard, S. Mrozinski was excused. The motion passed unanimously.
2.	Public Input (Maximum of 5 Minutes)	There were not any members of the public present.	
3.	Unfinished Business	There was not any unfinished business.	
4.	New Business 4.1) Investment earnings reports for the period ending August 31, 2026	4.1) M. Rozek reviewed the reports noting the account balance, the Midstate Health Network (MSHN) settlement, and the interest rate.	4.1) On the motion by C. Girard and support by R. Byrne, the investment earnings reports for the period ending August 31, 2026 were referred to the full Board for information. The motion was adopted unanimously.

4.2) Finance September 2026 contract list	4.2) M. Rozek reviewed the contract list noting agreements for residential group home rate adjustments, out of county placements, human resources benefits manager software renewal, emergency notification system renewal, legal counsel for guardianship, and a memorandum of understanding with a community partner for housing the homeless. There were general discussions regarding Waste Management Services at BABHA owned properties.	4.2) On the motion by C. Girard and support by P. Schumacher, the Finance September 2026 contract list was referred to the full Board for approval. The motion was adopted unanimously.
4.3) Horizon Home Ramp	4.3) M. Rozek reviewed the quotes to replace the wood ramp at Horizon Home with composite material and the recommendation to utilize Beebe Construction for the project. There were general discussions related to BABHA owning Horizon Home and the age of the current ramp.	4.3) On the motion by P. Schumacher and support by C. Girard, replacement of the Horizon Home wooden ramp with a composite ramp by Beebe Construction for a total of \$15,786.40 was referred to the full Board for approval. The motion was adopted unanimously.
4.4) Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 Final Budget Amendment	4.4) M. Rozek reviewed the final fiscal year (FY) 2026 budget amendment noting the implemented cost reduction strategies from last year reduced the budget by over \$5 million. M. Rozek reported the changes that impacted revenue and expenses over the fiscal year, the net surplus related to local funds, the funds necessary to cover the general fund balance, and capital expenses.	4.4) On the motion by C. Girard and support by R. Pawlak, the FY 2026 final budget amendment resolution was referred to the full Board for approval. The motion was adopted unanimously.
4.5) Website Redesign proposal	4.5) M. Prusi reported the website technology is over ten years old and does not meet the new requirement for digital accessibility. M. Prusi also reported two quotes to redesign for compliance were received and reviewed the recommendation. There were general discussions regarding contract terms, total cost, ability to switch companies later, BABHA ownership rights to content and domain, ability to make changes after the redesign, importance of the new design being user friendly, and the deadline for compliance. Leadership will verify and report back on the ownership questions.	4.5) No action was necessary
4.6) External Audit Requirement for Autism Providers	4.6) M. Rozek reminded the Committee of the external audit requirement previously suggested and reported this requirement was discussed at a recent provider meeting. M. Rozek reported the providers expressed concerns with the cost	4.6) No action was necessary

	4.7) FY 2027 Budget and Service Planning	of independent external audits. Other options in lieu of an external audit such as reviewing financials without an opinion of audit were also discussed. C. Pinter reported autism services is a focused target for cost reduction. Leadership has evaluated the eligibility process and the recent request for proposal (RFP) process revealed inconsistencies in the delivery of services amongst the providers. There were general discussions regarding the provider perspective, autism providers that are for profit versus non-profit, and currently out of 11 providers about half have submitted either audits or financials. Leadership will consult with legal counsel to see if contract terms can be added to provider contracts regarding requirements for provider performance, physical location, after-hour service delivery, and measures to improve outcomes. 4.7) C. Pinter provided a FY 2027 budget planning overview noting the current budget status of BABHA, the increasing service trends continuing from FY26 and the implemented cost strategies. C. Pinter also reviewed a summary of the FY27 cost reduction strategies, federal Medicaid changes in 2027, projected reductions to Healthy Michigan revenue in 2027, and possible remediation factors for the statewide budget issue.	4.7) No action was necessary
5.	Adjournment	On the motion by C. Girard and support by R. Byrne, the meeting adjourned at 5:47 pm. The motion passed unanimously.	


Patrick Conley, Chair Pro Tem