



Mr. Van Zoeren noted there will be a meeting of the Finance Committee on May 17, 2007, at which time the contracts will be reviewed and forwarded to the Executive Committee for approval, as there will be no regular meeting of the Board in May. Ms. Bird requested that in the future contracts be presented 60 days prior to renewal date to give the Board members ample time for review.

#### CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

CMH 07-042 Motion: To accept the resignation of Gerard Cyranowski and authorize Keith Van Zoeren to sign the departure agreement.

Moved by: Van Zoeren Supported by: Brown

Roll Call Vote

Yeas: Bird, Brown, Cartwright, Disselkoen, Kortman, Vanderveen, VanZoeren

Nays: Berghorst, Bombara, Gretzner, Van Ommen

MOTION CARRIED

Mr. Van Zoeren provided details regarding the circumstances surrounding the departure of Mr. Cyranowski. Discussion ensued regarding the manner in which this situation was handled and concern that a decision of this magnitude did not come before the full Board prior to being presented to the Executive Director. Concerns were also noted the divisiveness of the Board and the importance of rebuilding trust and becoming a unified Board.

CMH 07-043 Motion: To authorize the Executive Committee to appoint an interim Executive Director

Moved by: Van Zoeren Supported by: Kortman

AMENDED MOTION CARRIED

Mr. Van Ommen requested that the motion be amended to include "with Board approval." Mr. Berghorst supported this suggestion.

CMH 07-044 Motion: To approve the CMHOC Executive Director search and hiring process as presented.

Moved by: Van Zoeren Supported by: Van Ommen

MOTION CARRIED with noted changes

Suggested changes to the process include: A total of three finalists will be presented to the full board for interviews, two Board members will be involved in the process, all Board members are welcome to observe at any point in the process, stakeholders and members of the LCC to be included in the search process. The Board will be involved in developing the profile for the next Executive Director.

Mr. Disselkoen provided information on the qualifications for the candidate for Interim Director. Mr. Berghorst noted the importance of having someone who is familiar with the mental health system. Mr. Bombara questioned whether staff has the authority to continue their day to day operations in the absence of an Executive Director. Mr. Van Zoeren noted that he would be serving as the interim interim director until the appointment, acting as the go-to person for staff

on behalf of the Board. Mr. Van Zoeren noted that the interim position will need to be filled immediately, anticipating that the search for a new director will take four to six months. As soon as an interim is found, a special meeting of the Board will be called to approve the appointment.

### **Committee Assignments**

Mr. VanZoeren provided information pertaining to the standing committees of the Board and the Chairperson and roster for each.

Mr. Van Zoeren requested that the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors be moved to the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month, which would allow more time for Committee information to be provided for the Board's review. The Program Planning & Quality Improvement Committee will meet at 3:30 p.m. on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday. Ms. Kortman requested that the Board consider holding the regular monthly meeting at 3:00 pm. to allow more people to attend. The consensus of the Board is that these changes would take place beginning in July.

### **Vision**

Mr. Van Zoeren's provided information regarding his vision for the future of CMHOC, noting the need for a Board retreat. He suggested using the Plante & Moran study as a guide for developing a vision and a mission. He asked that the Board review this vision for further discussion at the June meeting.

Mr. Van Zoeren appointed Ms. Gretzner and Ms. Kortman as voting delegates for the MACMHB Spring Conference. He stated that he has received notice that there will likely be a 6% decrease in Medicaid funds for the last four months of FY2006/2007. Mr. Van Zoeren noted his plans to visit CMHOC locations and asked that Board members advise him if they wished to join him. Ms. Kortman requested that Mr. Van Zoeren provide a schedule of time and location for these visits.

### **GENERAL INFORMATION, COMMENTS AND MEETINGS ATTENDED**

Mr. Berghorst noted his hope that the division among the Board can be closed.

Mr. Van Ommen reported on the Transportation Committee and the progress being made. He expressed concerns about Max Transit and limited service in Zeeland, noting that as of this date Max is at capacity with two individuals still needing transportation.

Mr. Bombara asked whether Mr. Van Zoeren and Ms. Bird intended to review the Holland Hospital Contract.

### **BOARD REVIEW OF THE DAYS BUSINESS**

Mr. Van Zoeren noted that he would be meeting with the Executive Team on May 8. Ms. Kortman acknowledged the staff and thanked them for their work. Mr. Bombara suggested a statement from the Board acknowledging staff might be in order.

Mr. Van Ommen noted the Walk A Mile In My Shoes rally in Lansing on May 24<sup>th</sup>. Contact Kelly Sall at 494-5545 to reserve a seat on the charter bus

PUBLIC COMMENT

Sue Buist

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Ms. Buist expressed her concerns regarding the length of time it will take to appoint an interim director. She noted that there are pending items that need to be addressed immediately as they are sensitive to time frames that need to be met by law.

Barbara Rosales

Ms. Rosales expressed her concerns regarding the poor public image of CMHOC, stating that the best action would be to appoint an interim director immediately. She noted that the Executive Team at CMHOC does a great job, and there is a need for leadership.

ADJOURNMENT

CMH 07-045 Motion: To adjourn the May 7, 2007 Board of Directors meeting

Moved by: Berghorst

Supported by: Disselkoen

MOTION CARRIED

Mr. Van Zoeren adjourned the May 7, 2007 meeting at 2:22 pm.

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Keith Van Zoeren, Chairperson

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Donald Disselkoen, Secretary