

708 Community Mental Health Board Meeting
729 S Mclean Blvd, Elgin, IL
Meeting of Feb 13, 2023 Minutes

The meeting of the Elgin Township 708 Community Mental Health Board was held in the lower level of the Township Building. The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Michael Warren at 7:01 p.m. Vice Chairman Warren led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Board Members Vice Chairman Michael Warren, Secretary Farrah Stephen, Blaine Miner and Trustee Alex Lopez were present. Chairman Andrew Sosnowski, Suzanne Rozycki, and Michelle Diaz were absent. **Quorum was established**

Chairman's Report: Vice Chairman Warren thanked Deputy Clerk Jeanette Mihalec for assisting the board and completing the minutes for last month. He also thanked Ms. Amanda Teachout, consultant, for the work she had done over the previous month to assist the board in moving toward the completion of the assessment.

A. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Warren to approve the minutes. Mr. Miner seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0-0.

B. Old Business - Consideration of Needs Assessment Proposal

A proposal has been received from NIU to complete the needed assessment for the Elgin Township Mental Health Board (CMHB). Since receiving the proposal, Ecker Center for Behavioral Health has committed to making their needs assessment in the areas of mental health and substance abuse, for the Elgin area, public and accessible to the CMHB. Because of this new information, the assessment request to NIU was adjusted and the cost for the assessment has decreased.

Vice Chairman Warren made a motion to execute the new NIU assessment proposal. Mr. Miner seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0-0.

C. New Business

1. Approval of One Year Plan

Trustee Lopez motioned to approve the plan. Mr. Miner seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0-0.

2. Consideration of the 2023 Meeting Dates

Mr. Miner proposed adding March 15th, 2023 to the meeting dates. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0-0.

Mr. Miner proposed accepting all the meeting dates as proposed, including the newly added March 15th, 2023 date. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0-0.

C. Board Member Comments-

Vice Chairman Warren inquired about how the money received in the levy would be allocated and it was discussed that the board would consider allocation criteria at the March meeting and at other meetings in the future.

Trustee Lopez stated that it would be beneficial to bring in Elgin residents and organizations for them to learn about what the board is doing. Ms. Teachout agreed and stated the importance of bringing in groups who work in substance abuse, mental health and with the developmentally delayed.

Mr. Miner inquired about how much time would be given in the future for the board members to review packets of information. It was stated that packets should be received 40-45 days in advance of a meeting and grant proposal should be given a month to review. Other information should come at least the Friday before Wednesday meeting.

D. Recognize Public Comments- None

E. Announcements- The next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday March 15, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Offices, 729 S. McLean Blvd., Elgin, IL 60123.

G. Adjournment/Recess: Vice Chairman Warren moved to adjourn. Second by Mr. Miner. The motion carried 4-0-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:43.

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Farrah Stephen

Farrah Stephen, Board Secretary

Date