# MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF SUMMIT POINTE REGULAR MEETING October 7, 2025

Meeting Location:	College Street Campus
	175 College Street, Battle Creek, MI 49037
Meeting Time:	2:00 p.m.
Members Present:	Deborah Davis, Joseph du Lac, Kelli Scott, Stephanie Swanson-Chang, Dr. Monique French, Sheriff Steven Hinkley, Elizabeth Rudolph, Sherii Sherban
Members Excused:	Kathy-Sue Vette, Dr. Paul Watson II, Bryan Smith
Staff Present:	Jean M. Goodrich, Dorothy Malcolm, Dr. Sean Field, David Ballmer, Mandi Quigley, Nicole DuPont, Carly Stanton

#### 1. Call to Order

Board Chair, Deb Davis, called the meeting to order at approximately 2:00 p.m. Roll call was taken for members present. Based on the number of directors in attendance and pursuant to the by-laws, a quorum was present to begin the meeting.

## 2. Welcome Guests/Public Comments

Board Chair, Deb Davis, welcomed Board members and Summit Pointe staff. There were no Public Comments.

# 3. Adoption of the Agenda

Jeannie proposed amendments to the agenda.

Moved by: Sheriff Hinkley

Supported by: Stephanie Swanson-Chang MOTION UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED

I move that the Board approve the Amended Agenda as presented.

## 4. Consent Agenda

MOTION:

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Moved by: Dr. French (September 9, 2025, Minutes.)

Supported by: Sherii Sherban MOTION UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED

## 5. Educational Presentation - CCBHC Program - Dr. Sean Field, Dave Ballmer, and Nicole DuPont

Dr. Sean Field, Clinical Director; Dave Ballmer, Finance Director; and Nicole DuPont, Director of Strategic Development & Grants provided an educational presentation on the Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic (CCBHC) highlighting quality metrics and funding.

# 6. Board Committee Reports

#### A. Audit Finance Committee – Kelli Scott

Audit Finance Committee Chair, Kelli Scott, provided highlights from the minutes of the Audit/Finance Committee meeting held on September 29, 2025. August 2025 Financials were reviewed. The Audit/Finance Committee proposed two action items for the Board to review.

MOTION:

Moved by: Dr. French

Supported by: Sherii Sherban

**MOTION UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED** 

I move that the Board approve the Summit Pointe Single Audit for FY2024 as presented by Dave Ballmer.

MOTION:

Moved by: Kelli Scott Supported by: Dr. French

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED

I move that the Board approve the proposed contract for IT service with Rubix Technologies for \$550,000 in

Fiscal Year 2026.

# B. Corporate Compliance Committee - Dr. Paul Watson II

The Corporate Compliance Committee did not meet in September 2025.

## C. HR Committee - Stephanie Swanson-Chang

The Human Resources Committee did not meet in September 2025.

# 7. Other Items Requiring Board Action or Approval

## A. Board Policy Review

Management recommends no changes to Board Policies:

No. 03-003 Compensation and Benefits

No. 04-001 Customer-Centered Service Planning

No. 04-002 Customer Participation

MOTION: Moved by: Sheriff Hinkley

Supported by: Dr. French

**MOTION UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED** 

I move that the Board reaffirm Board Policies No. 03-003, No. 04-001, and No. 04-002.

## B. PIHP RFP Process Update – Jeannie Goodrich

Jeannie provided an update on the PIHP RFP process and litigation strategy from the community mental health association. Jeannie and the Board discussed the pros and cons of the current PIHP RFP process and the implications of the RFP moving forward. Jeannie indicated that she had other entities requesting letters of commitment but would like to continue the strategy of Lawsuit primary, support SWMBH RFP, knowing that it is only for 8 counties of the 33 counties in the new Region and lastly, the adoption of bylaws through a resolution to support the MiPLAN entity. Jeannie went on to clarify the MiPLAN entity, the private/public partnership, and that by adopting the bylaws Jean M. Goodrich shall act as a director, and if elected, an officer on the MiPLAN transitional board.

The Board Resolution is:

## CALHOUN COUNTY COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH AUTHORITY DBA SUMMIT POINTE

#### **BOARD RESOLUTION**

Resolution to Establish a Regional Entity under Michigan Compiled Law (MCL) 330.1204b, to foster and support institutions, programs, and services for the care, treatment, education, and rehabilitation of those inhabitants who are seriously disabled in accordance with Article VIII, Section 8 of the Michigan Constitution, and specifically those inhabitants with mental illness, substance use disorder, or intellectual/developmental disability as provided in MCL Chapter 330, Michigan's Mental Health Code.

**WHEREAS,** the People of the State of Michigan Enacted Michigan's Mental Health Code to fulfill the requirements of Article VIII, Section 8 of the Michigan Constitution in regards to inhabitants with mental illness, substance use disorder, and/or intellectual/developmental disability;

WHEREAS, Medicaid and Federal grants are by far the most significant sources of funding utilize to implement and maintain the institutions, programs, and services outlined in the Mental Health Code; WHEREAS, there are ten (10) Prepaid Inpatient Health Plans (PIHPs) properly formed and currently operating in accordance with the Mental Health Code for the purpose of managing Medicaid, Federal grants, and other funding sources;

WHEREAS, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) has issued a Request for Proposal (RFP) that appears to categorically prohibit or debar the current PIHPs from participating as qualified bidders, and appears to violate the Mental Health Code, Federal procurement regulations, and State procurement law and regulation;

WHEREAS, this Board would prefer that the current PIHP and Community Mental Health Service
Program (CMHSP) system be preserved or reformed as necessary through negotiation with MDHHS and
the Legislature without the need for an RFP process;

whereas, a lawsuit has been filed by other PIHP and CMHSP boards in the Michigan Court of Claims, seeking injunctive relief from the RFP and the apparent violations of Federal and State laws and regulations contained therein. A hearing is scheduled on this matter for October 9, 2025;

**WHEREAS,** this lawsuit and subsequent lawsuits that may be filed are unlikely to be resolved before the RFP deadline imposed by MDHHS;

WHEREAS, Southwest Michigan Behavioral Health (SWMBH) intends to submit a bid to MDHHS to continue to provide services in the eight (8) counties it current serves;

WHEREAS, if the Court does not find in favor of the current PIHP and CMHSP system, the results of the RFP process are allowed to move forward, MDHHS disqualifies or otherwise rejects the SWMBH bid, as the answers to the RFP suggest they might, and there is no qualified governmental entity that submits a proposal by the deadline, the result, by default, shall be the privatization of Michigan's Behavioral Health System;

WHEREAS, in the event of an unfavorable ruling and if the SWMBH RFP bid is disqualified or rejected, this Board wishes to preserve the possibility of a government based behavioral health system through a PIHP that 1) is created in accordance with the Mental Health Code, 2) maintains local control and a voice for individuals served through a connection with the same counties that created the current CMHSP system, 3) meets the legal formation, governance structure, and conflict-of-interest criteria as outlined in the MDHHS RFP, and 4) can submit a qualifying proposal to MDHHS by the RFP deadline;

# NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- The Calhoun County Community Mental Health Authority DBA Summit Pointe Board adopts the BYLAWS of Michigan's Public Led and Accessible Network (MiPLAN) as presented.
- The Board directs the Secretary of the Board and administration to file these BYLAWS with the Clerk of the County of Calhoun, only if, by noon Friday, October 10, 2025, the MDHHS RFP bid response deadline of October 13, 2025 is not stayed, adjourned, or otherwise delayed.
- In accordance with these bylaws, that Jean M. Goodrich shall act as a director and, if elected, an officer on the MiPLAN transitional board until such time as MDHHS has announced the intent to award a contract and the RE Board is established, and while serving in that capacity shall be duty bound to act in the best interest of MiPLAN.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED ON OCTOBER 7, 2025.

MOTION:

I move that the Board approve the Board Resolution as presented.

Supported by: Dr. French

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE

#### 8. CEO Communication – Jeannie Goodrich

Jeannie provided the CEO monthly report highlighting the key areas of the organization.

# 9. SWMBH Board Update - Sherii Sherban

Sherii provided a brief update regarding the SWMBH Board Meeting.

# **10.** Board Chair Update – Deb Davis

Deb announced the dates of upcoming Board Committee Meetings. Corporate Compliance will be held on October 15, 2025, at 8:00 am. Human Resources will be held on October 17, 2025, at 12:00 pm. And Audit/Finance will be held on October 29, 2025, at 12:00 pm. She then announced that the next Board meeting will be held on November 4, 2025, at 2:00 pm.

# 11. Adjournment

MOTION: I move that the Board adjourn the meeting.

Moved by: Sherii Sherban Supported by: Joseph du Lac

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED

There being no further business to consider, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:53 p.m.