

**Hanover Township Mental Health Board**  
Minutes of the Regular Meeting  
October 21, 2008

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Mary Alice Benoit at 7:05 p.m.

Roll Call: Mel Runzel, Katy Dolan Baumer, Chris Van Herick, Melynda Litchfield, Rita Lopienski, and Mary Alice Benoit. A quorum was established. Executive Director Danise Habun and Shirley Bassett (CRS) were present. In the audience was Bill Meade (NAMI) and Laura Naykaza (Examiner Publications). Board member Ruth Beckner arrived at 7:20 PM.

Approval of/Additions to Agenda

Mel Runzel made the motion to accept the agenda as presented; Melynda Litchfield seconded the motion. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Approval of Minutes

**Regular Meeting Minutes of September 16, 2008** – Mel Runzel made a motion to approve the minutes as presented; seconded by Rita Lopienski. Unanimous voice vote followed.

Approval of Financials from September 2008

Motion to approve the financials from September 2008 was made by Rita Lopienski and seconded by Mel Runzel. The roll call was taken and the motion carried.

Brian Gorcowksi	--	Ruth Beckner	--
Gabrielle Infusino	--	Mary Alice Benoit	Yes
Katy Dolan Baumer	Yes	Rita Lopienski	Yes
Melynda Litchfield	Yes	Mel Runzel	Yes
Chris Van Herick	Yes		

Director's Report Highlights

Ms. Habun offered her report for review; there were no questions.

Ongoing Business

**a. Network of Care** – Launch of website a success; training now concern. Underwriting in the amount of \$4,040 from ACMHAI was received to cover some costs.

**b. Community Resource Center** – Parlance Telephony replaced the hard drive; Danise's hard drive on her laptop computer is now connected to Parlance. Small hole in front window has been discovered and reported to police. James Barr also notified. Glass company to repair – insurance company has been notified.

**c. PACE** – PACE is not being responsive to our needs as in regard to potential situations on during the PACE rides we contract (apparently they feel it is a privacy issue). With regard to the most recent incident, Danise will work with James Barr of the Township to resolve the issue satisfactorily for the parties involved.

**d. Life Changes Expo** – General announcement of upcoming Expo to be held October 25 at the Senior Center.

**e. Staff Development Challenge Grant - Boys and Girls Club - \$3,000**

Motion was made by Mr. Van Herick to approve the grant in the amount of \$3,000 for the Boys and Girls Club staff training and seconded by Ms Beckner. Motion carried.

Brian Gorcowksi	--	Ruth Beckner	Yes
Gabrielle Infusino	--	Mary Alice Benoit	Yes
Katy Dolan Baumer	No	Rita Lopienski	Yes
Melynda Litchfield	Yes	Mel Runzel	Yes
Chris Van Herick	Yes		

New Business

**a. TIDE:** Informational: A-1 taxi service, with which the MHB contracts for the TIDE program, is raising its fares. We were expecting this and foresee the impact to be minimal at this time.

**b. Parlance Telephony maintenance agreement:** Motion was made by Ms Dolan Baumer to remove the item from the table pending research into costs by Ms Habun; seconded by Ms Runzel. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

**c.i. Support Services Grant Request: NAMI - \$350 for Printed Materials**

Motion was made by Mr Van Herick to grant NAMI \$350 for printed materials and seconded by Ms Dolan Baumer. Motion carried.

Brian Gorcowksi	--	Ruth Beckner	Yes
Gabrielle Infusino	--	Mary Alice Benoit	Yes
Katy Dolan Baumer	Yes	Rita Lopienski	Yes
Melynda Litchfield	Yes	Mel Runzel	Yes
Chris Van Herick	Yes		

**c.ii. Challenge Grant Request: Elgin Drug & Gang Task Force - \$500**

Motion was made by Ms Runzel to grant the Elgin Drug & Gang Task Force \$500, and seconded by Ms Litchfield. Motion carried.

Brian Gorcowksi	--	Ruth Beckner	Yes
Gabrielle Infusino	--	Mary Alice Benoit	Yes
Katy Dolan Baumer	Yes	Rita Lopienski	Yes
Melynda Litchfield	Yes	Mel Runzel	Yes
Chris Van Herick	Yes		

**d.i. Capital Grant Request: Hanover Township Senior Center – for the Brain Gym - \$3,500**

Motion was made by Ms Dolan Baumer to table this item, pending more information and seconded by Ms Runzel. Motion was unanimous.

**d.ii. Capital Grant Request: The Bridge Youth & Family - \$1,500 for the purchase of a copier**

Motion was made by Ms Dolan Baumer to grant the The Bridge Youth & Family organization \$1,500 for the purchase of a copier, and seconded by Ms Runzel. Motion carried.

Brian Gorcowksi	--	Ruth Beckner	Yes
Gabrielle Infusino	--	Mary Alice Benoit	Yes
Katy Dolan Baumer	Yes	Rita Lopienski	Yes
Melynda Litchfield	Yes	Mel Runzel	Yes
Chris Van Herick	Yes		

Adjournment into Executive Session

At 8:15, motion to go into executive session pursuant to §2c1 (Personnel) of the Open Meetings Act was made by Ms. Dolan Baumer and seconded by Ms Lopienski. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, the Chairperson asked for a motion to adjourn; the motion was made by Ms Dolan Baumer and seconded by Ms Lopienski and approved by unanimous consent at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted



Kathleen M. Dolan Baumer

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