

Michigan Health Endowment Fund
Board Meeting
November 10, 2021
9829 Spencer Road
Brighton, MI 48114

Meeting Minutes

Call to order:

The board meeting of the Michigan Health Endowment Fund was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Chair Jandernoa.

Roll call:

A quorum was determined based on the presence of the following board members:

Board Members present:

Tim Damschroder
Sue Jandernoa
Keith Pretty
Rob Fowler
Michael Williams
Tina Reynolds
Henry Veenstra
Kathy Boles

Others present:

Neel Hajra
Terry Gardner
Julie Skubik
Paul Hillegonds
Duane Tarnacki

Approval of agenda:

Chair Jandernoa asked if there were any comments regarding the agenda, which was approved without objection.

Public Comment:

There was no public comment.

Chairman's Report :

Chair Jandernoa thanked and acknowledged the extended service of board members Tim Damschroder, Rob Fowler, and Keith Pretty. She reported that we have not yet been notified of any new trustee appointments by the Governor's office. Chair

Jandernoa welcomed Neel Hajra, CEO, to his first board meeting and reported that Mr. Hillegonds has a new title of Senior Advisor to the CEO. She reported that Mr. Hajra and Mr. Hillegonds are working together daily on transferring knowledge to ensure a smooth CEO transition.

CEO Report :

Mr. Hajra thanked board members and staff for their time and support during the transition to CEO. Mr. Hajra reported that he has been meeting individually with board members and staff to hear their perspectives on the Health Fund mission and programs. Mr. Hillegonds has introduced Mr. Hajra to key legislators and state executives. Also, Mr. Hajra plans to meet with current and past consultants to gain their insights into the strategic planning process and history of the Health Fund. Mr. Hajra highlighted several Health Fund projects that are being scaled up by the State of Michigan.

Grantee Presentation:

Healthy Aging Director Kari Sederburg introduced the following panel that provided a presentation on caregiving.

- Family Caregivers: Statewide Caregiver Scan
 - Melissa Riba, Research and Evaluation Director, CHRT
 - Patrick Kelly, Senior Analyst, CHRT
- Paid Caregivers: Direct Care Workforce Report
 - Courtney Roman, Senior Program Officer, CHCS
- Community/Provider Perspective
 - Ronald Taylor, CEO, Detroit Area Agency on Aging
- Individual/Caregiver Perspective
 - Brenda Roberts, Executive Director, National Council of Dementia Minds

Audit and Investment Committee

Committee Chair Pretty reported on the Investment Committee meeting at which members reviewed the status of the Health Fund's operations and endowment portfolios. Mr. Harris added details about items the committee focused on, including preparing for the 2022 Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan contribution and endowment investment allocation. Mr. Gardner presented the September 2021 financial statements, explaining variations from the budget. Mr. Fowler commended the staff for maintaining overall operating expenses within budget.

Executive and Compensation Committee:

Chair Jandernoa asked Mr. Gardner to describe the budget process and major activities contained within the proposed preliminary 2022 budget. Mr. Gardner presented the preliminary 2022 budget and key assumptions, including staffing, grant making, Medigap and program support. He noted that if adjustments are necessary, they will be presented in 2022.

The following motion was made by Mr. Damschroder and seconded by Mr. Williams:

RESOLVED, that the preliminary budget for 2022, as presented to the Michigan Health Endowment Fund Board of Directors, be, and it hereby is, ratified, adopted and approved.

The vote passed 8-0.

The next item presented by Mr. Gardner was a resolution to set the 2021 endowment and Health Fund reserve allocations. The following motion was made by Mr. Veenstra and seconded by Ms. Boles:

WHEREAS, the Fund's Spending and Endowment Fund Policy allows the Fund to expend a portion of the money contributed to it in an amount up to the Maximum Spending Allowance which for year 8 is 67% plus funds available in the Spendable Account;

WHEREAS, the Fund received total contributions in 2021 of \$85 million; and

WHEREAS, the Act requires that \$28,050,000 be allocated to the Endowment Portfolio for purposes of meeting and complying with the Act's Accumulated Principal Goal.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT:

RESOLVED, that \$28,050,000 be allocated to the Fund's Endowment Portfolio; and

RESOLVED, that the Board has reviewed the amounts spent for the year to date, including Medicare Supplemental Insurance Premium subsidies required by the Act, and the Fund is anticipated to spend above the Maximum Spending Allowance for 2021, therefore, the Board hereby makes no allocation to the "Spendable Account" for 2021.

The next item presented by Mr. Gardner was a resolution to authorize new signers on bank accounts. The following motion was made by Ms. Reynolds and seconded by Ms. Boles:

RESOLVED, that the chairperson, treasurer, president/chief executive officer, and chief financial officer/chief operating officer of Michigan Health Endowment Fund (the "Fund") be, and they hereby are, authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of the Fund such printed resolutions as they shall determine to be necessary or desirable to establish depository banking resolutions with such financial institutions as they deem appropriate, which shall name the chairperson, treasurer, president/chief executive officer, and chief financial officer/chief operating officer as "Authorized Signers" on such depository bank account, and such resolutions, when executed and delivered, will be deemed to be adopted by the Board of Directors of the Fund as if set forth herein;

FURTHER RESOLVED, that any Authorized Signer may take for and on behalf of the Fund any of the following actions with respect to any such depository account: the signing (by facsimile or actual signature) of checks, drafts, acceptances and other

instruments and orders for the payment or withdrawal of monies, credits, items and property at any time held by such depository for the account of the Fund and any transfers between Fund accounts, and such depository is hereby authorized to honor any and all thereof without inquiry as to the circumstances of the issue or the disposition of the proceeds thereof and without limit as to amount, provided such instruments and orders not effecting transfers between Fund accounts and in amounts over \$100,000 bear the signatures or approval of two Authorized Signers;

FURTHER RESOLVED, that as of the date of adoption of these resolutions the following individuals have been duly elected or appointed to serve in the position opposite their respective names:

Name	Title
Susan Jandernoa	Chairperson
Henry Veenstra	Treasurer
Neel Hajra	President/Chief Executive Officer
Terry Gardner	Chief Financial Officer/Chief Operating Officer

The vote passed 8-0.

Next, Chair Jandernoa proposed the revised board member committee assignments. She reported that additional committee assignments will be determined once new appointments are announced and new board members receive orientation. Full committee assignments are expected to be proposed at the February 2022 board meeting.

Mr. Pretty moved and Mr. Fowler seconded, to approve the following set of officers and committee members.

Executive and Compensation Committee

Sue Jandernoa - Chair
 Kathy Boles - Vice Chair
 Henry Veenstra - Treasurer
 Michael Williams - Secretary

Grantmaking Committee - Behavioral Health, Aging and SPEI

Kathy Boles – Chair

Grantmaking Committee-NHL and CHI

Tina Reynolds-Chair

Governance Committee

Michael Williams – Chair

Investment and Audit Committees

Henry Veenstra – Chair

The motion passed 8-0.

Grantmaking Committee:

Board Member Boles reported that the Grantmaking Committee (which includes trustees) met on October 28, 2021 to review Healthy Aging and Special Projects and Emerging Ideas (SPEI) proposals. The committee recommended 24 Healthy Aging grants and \$8.7 million in funding. Listed below are the recommended proposals.

2021 HEALTHY AGING PROPOSALS RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING

Applicant		Project Title	Amount Recommended
1	Michigan Peer Review Organization	Addressing Social Isolation in Older Adults through Pharmacies	\$423,360
2	Western Michigan University	Cultivating Falls Prevention Culture by Intelligent Learning	\$412,612
3	Senior Resources of West Michigan	Enhanced Care Plus	\$500,000
4	Hospice Care of Southwest Michigan	Enhancing Caregiving for Hospice Patients Through Telehealth	\$228,611
5	Henry Ford Health Systems	Improving Management of Chronic Pain in Primary Care	\$269,442
6	Connected Nation	Improving Telemedicine in Michigan's Sault Tribe of Chippewa	\$278,444
7	Eastern Michigan University	Lori's Hands Metro Detroit: The Social Partnership	\$409,332
8	Oakland University	The Michigan End of Life Nursing Education Consortium (ELNEC) Initiative	\$218,373
9	The Regents of The University of Michigan	A Statewide Implementation of Empower@Home	\$497,495
10	Reliance Community Care Partners	Three-tiered Approach to Meeting Care Needs of Older Adults	\$249,700
11	Michigan Transportation Connection	Access to Healthcare	\$300,000
12	Priority Health	Advance Care Planning for High-Risk SNF Residents	\$499,724
13	Wayne State University	Detroit Older Adult Home Safety Assessments	\$492,354

Applicant		Project Title	Amount Recommended
14	Michigan Public Health Institute	Emergency Preparedness for Aging People with Disabilities	\$375,589
15	Upper Peninsula Health Care Solutions	Healthy Aging at Home	\$447,894
16	The Senior Alliance Area Agency on Aging 1-C	Hearken	\$454,494
17	Mary Free Bed Rehabilitation Hospital	Michigan changes Healthy Aging Program (MI-CHAP)	\$351,607
18	Health Net of West Michigan	Partnering to Address Social Needs for Older Adults	\$466,037
19	Michigan Health Council	Redesigning Delivery of Advance Care Planning Conversation	\$363,294
20	Michigan Public Health Institute	Culturally Appropriate Community-Based Dementia Care	\$200,000
21	Detroit Area Agency on Aging	Food First Caregiver Connect	\$250,000
22	MHA Keystone Center	Michigan Caregiver Navigation Model Pilot	\$227,721
23	Altarum Institute	Nursing Home Staff & Residents: Loss & Isolation Solutions	\$352,644
24	Henry Ford Health System	Spotlight on the Patient as Caregiver	\$420,599
		Total	\$1,450,964

Chair Jandernoa asked all board members to identify any of the recommended grants where he/she might have a conflict of interest with the proposals listed above. Mr. Damschroder stated his conflict with the Henry Ford Health System grant recommendations and wished to abstain from the vote on the 2 grants.

Ms. Boles moved and Mr. Veenstra seconded, to approve the 23 grants listed above which presented no conflict of interest for board members.

The vote passed 8-0.

Next, Ms. Boles moved to approve the recommended 2 grant applications to Henry Ford Health System and Mr. Fowler seconded. Mr. Damschroder abstained.

The vote passed 7-0.

Next, Ms. Boles reported that the Grantmaking Committee met to review SPEI proposals. She explained that the proposals were by special invitation only and were a result of conversations with MDHHS, Michigan Department of Education, statewide associations, and other thought leaders. After reviewing the proposals, the Grantmaking Committee recommended 14 SPEI grants and \$4.6 million in funding. Listed below are the recommended proposals.

2021 SPECIAL PROJECT & EMERGING IDEAS PROPOSALS RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING

Applicant		Project Title	Amount Recommended
1	Michigan Health & Hospital Association – Keystone Center	Accelerating Health Equity through Quality Improvement	\$484,139
2	Michigan Department of Health and Human Services	Adding Race/Ethnicity Data to MDHHS Master Person Index	\$20,000
3	Michigan Department of Health and Human Services	Automating Medicaid for Incarcerated Beneficiaries	\$500,000
4	Michigan Council for Maternal and Child Health	Building Support and Sustainability for School Nurses	\$410,500
5	Michigan Public Health Institute	Community Architecture to Achieve & Sustain Equity	\$498,186
6	Michigan Department of Health and Human Services	Developing Sustainable Behavioral Workforce Stability	\$200,000
7	Michigan Department of Health and Human Services	Improving Access and Use of HCBS by Addressing Health Equity	\$494,800
8	Michigan Department of Health and Human Services	Infant Vitality – Detroit, Wayne, Oakland & Macomb Counties	\$400,000

Applicant		Project Title	Amount Recommended
9	Michigan Department of Health and Human Services	Integrating Cancer Screening Referrals into MI Bridges	\$180,230
10	Michigan State University	Hospital Engagement Addiction Resources Team (HEART)	\$500,000
11	Michigan Public Health Institute	Planning for Development & Implementation of Foster Care Electronic Health Record (EHR)	\$200,000
12	Michigan Department of Health and Human Services	Strategic Alignment Planning Between MDHHS and MSP	\$150,000
13	Michigan Department of Education	Strengthening Systems of Support (S3) for LGBTQ+ Students	\$500,000
14	Michigan Department of Health and Human Services	Transportation Resources to Medicaid Beneficiaries: Phase 2	\$59,000

Chair Jandernoa asked all board members to identify any of the recommended grants where he/she might have a conflict of interest with the proposals listed above. Mr. Williams stated his conflict with the Michigan Public Health Institute grant and wished to abstain from the vote on that grant.

Ms. Boles moved and Ms. Reynolds seconded, to approve the 13 grants listed above which presented no conflict of interest for board members.

The vote passed 8-0.

Next, Ms. Boles moved to approve the recommended grant application to Michigan Public Health Institute. Mr. Damschroder seconded. Mr. Williams abstained.

The vote passed 7-0.

Next, Mr. Fowler reported that the Grantmaking Committee recommended 7 Nutrition and Healthy Lifestyle grants and \$325,000 in funding that are part of a multi-funder

collaborative between Blue Cross Social Mission, Blue Cross Foundation, Kellogg Foundation and the Health Fund. Listed below are the recommended proposals.

2021 NUTRITION & HEALTHY LIFESTYLES PROPOSAL RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING

Applicant	Project Title	Amount Recommended
Community Foundation for Northeast Michigan	Northeast MI Healthy Food Project	\$75,000
Groundwork Center for Resilient Communities	Fresh Food for All: A Collective Approach to Executing and Distributing Local Food Purchases for Emergency Food Providers	\$75,000
Oakland University	Prescription for a Healthy Oakland-Southeast Expansion	\$60,000
Community Action House	Healthy Eating & Nutrition Advocacy at the Holland/Zeeland Food Club	\$50,000
Wayne Metro Community Action Agency	The Empowered Pantry	\$25,000
Micah 6 Community	Expand and Restart Pop-Up Markets	\$20,000
Roosevelt Park Neighborhood	Expansion of Cesar E. Chavez Farmers Market Services & Community Garden Programming	\$20,000

Chair Jandernoa asked all board members to identify any of the recommended grants where he/she might have a conflict of interest with the proposals listed above. There were no conflicts.

Mr. Fowler moved and Ms. Boles seconded, to approve the 7 grants listed above which presented no conflict of interest for board members.

The vote passed 8-0.

Next, Mr. Fowler reported that the Grantmaking Committee recommended 19 Community Health Impact proposals and \$1.7 million in funding. Listed below are the recommended proposals.

2021 COMMUNITY HEALTH IMPACT PROGRAM PROPOSALS RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING

Applicant	Project Title	Amount Recommended
1 Michigan State University	Accessible – Online Nutrition & Exercise (A-ONE)	\$92,070

Applicant		Project Title	Amount Recommended
2	Northside Association for Community Development	HEAL (Healthy Environment Active Living)	\$100,000
3	Ottawa Community Schools Network	Equitable Wellness Opportunities for Youth and Families	\$63,435
4	American Indian Health and Family Services of Southeast Michigan	Weneniiganzejik: The Future Leaders Project	\$92,487
5	Big Brothers Big Sisters of Metropolitan Detroit	Supporting Behavioral Health Through Therapeutic Mentoring	\$92,070
6	Community Foundation of Southeast Michigan	Collaborative Funding: Black-led Mental Health Pilot Program	\$100,000
7	Children's Healing Center	Isolation & Loneliness Behavioral Health Support	\$100,000
8	Packard Health, Inc.	A Behavioral Health Collaborative for Young Black Men & Boys	\$100,000
9	Saginaw Community Foundation	Building Bridges to Behavioral Healthcare – Saginaw County	\$100,000
10	The Regents of the University of Michigan	Little Victors League: Care for Medically Complex Infants	\$100,000
11	Wayne State University	Peers to Professionals	\$93,986
12	Chelsea Senior Center	Kickstart the Stockbridge Senior Center	\$99,700
13	Grand Rapids Salvation Army Kroc Center	Restoring Health	\$100,000
14	Grand Traverse Pavilions Foundation	Fiber-Optic Endoscopic Evaluation of Swallowing/FEES Program	\$37,932

Applicant		Project Title	Amount Recommended
15	Northern Michigan University	Rural Workforce Initiative	\$100,000
16	Progressive Lifestyles, Inc.	Expanding Dementia Minds Groups	\$100,000
17	Region II Commission on Services to the Aging	Integration for System of Care Data Collection	\$100,000
18	ShareCare of Leelanau, Inc.	Peer-to-Peer Family Caregiver Support	\$100,000
19	Superior Health Support System	Strategic Support Initiative	\$45,000

Chair Jandernoa asked all board members to identify any of the recommended grants where he/she might have a conflict of interest with the proposals listed above. There were no conflicts.

Mr. Damschroder moved and Ms. Reynolds seconded, to approve the 19 grants listed above which presented no conflict of interest for board members.

The vote passed 8-0.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Skubik
Secretary of the meeting