



The regularly scheduled meeting of the Alcohol, Drug Addiction, Mental Health Services Board of Erie County was held on **November 18, 2025**, at 247 Columbus Avenue, Sandusky, Ohio.

CALL TO ORDER

THE MEETING was CALLED TO ORDER at **4:02 P.M.** by Steve Poggiali, Chair.

The presence of a quorum was established.

WELCOME

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Steve Poggiali, Thomas Tucker, Nancy McKeen, Lisa Crescimano, Nancy Martin, Celine Hemminger

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Adrienne Gibbs, Rob Quinn, Alexis Koch

STAFF PRESENT

Diane Taylor, Alyssa McGue, Dii'Azia Brown

GUESTS PRESENT

Erie Shore Network, SARCC, NAMI, Bayshore Counseling, Firelands Counseling and Recovery, Erie County Health Department, Road to Hope

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Mary Supina, Assistant Director at Sandusky Artisans
 - Mary let everyone know about Soberoke on Friday, November 21. She also informed everyone of their Thanksgiving meal on Thursday, November 27th from 12pm-3pm in their Solution room at SARCC. Mary also briefly talked about SARCC being the distribution site for the Coats for Caring drive.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion	THE BOARD CHAIR ASKED FOR A MOTION TO APPROVE THE OCTOBER 21, 2025, MEETING MINUTES OF THE ALCOHOL, DRUG ADDICTION, MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES BOARD OF ERIE COUNTY. MOTION CARRIED.		
Motion Made by:	Nancy Martin	Seconded:	Tom Tucker

PRESENTATIONS

ROAD TO HOPE SMALL GRANT – Jeffrey Kamms is the Executive Director and co-founder of The Road to Hope presented on the \$40,000 small grant they received to enhance their peer support program, including outcomes and goals related to peer recovery services. Jeff shared that for FY2025 they served 184 Erie County residents of those residents 89% of them had a success rate in 6 months or less during their residency and 97% had a success rate with 6 months or

more of their residency. For FY2025 100% of them have completed their recovery plan, 95% had sponsors upon leaving their residency, 95% are currently receiving or have received treatment while at Road to Hope. So far in FY2026 90 Erie County residents are being served 89% of them had a success rate in 6 months or less during their residency and 95% had a success rate with 6 months or more of their residency. Of these 90 residents 100% of them have completed their recovery plan so far, all have had sponsors upon leaving their residency, and are all are currently receiving or have received treatment while in the residency program. Residents are randomly screened every week on different days, and all test results are recorded in their files. Success requires no failed tests during their time in the program. They also help residents with connecting with DJFS, with reunification plans with CPS and the peers are working directly with Children's Services. They have also been approved as like a supervised visitation site for their Children's Services, so we are allowed to have supervised visitation right there on site because of the rooms that we have set up with surveillance cameras. The goals for their Peer Recovery development include Achieve Certification as a Peer Recovery Organization (PRO), Enhance Collaboration and Access to Recovery Support Services (RSS), and Advance the Peer Workforce through Formal Certification. Road to Hope current staffing includes: 1 certified peer, 1 eligible to supervise, 2 previously certified peers, and 1 peer currently pursuing certification.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT.

Nancy let the Board know that Planning had a very active meeting on Tuesday, November 4. The committee talked about several things and had a lot of discussions. Most of which Diane will go over in her Executive Director report. The best part was Deputy Chad Henderson from the M.O.R.E program received an achievement award from Firelands, and the chief was there.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT.

No meeting.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

➤ ERIE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT REQUEST –

- **SUD BEDDING AT KAPTUR AND ALLOCATE TWO BEDS FOR MH –** Trey Hardy, JD, MPH the Assistant Health Commissioner at the Erie County Health Department let the Board know that they have done some redesign to their behavioral health model at the agency. They're hoping to utilize the funds that have already been approved a little bit differently within the same similar boundaries. They took the crisis beds down to two and use the other 14 beds for 3.5 withdrawal management, which is a 28-day inpatient stay, a step down from the detox center. The facility is for both men and women, right now there's currently eight men there, one of which is in the crisis bed. The Health Department is asking that the current contract for \$147,000 attach a service rate and allocations for Kaptur House. The service rate would be \$242 a day to cover gap service for room and board for the people in crisis.
- **HIRE A LPN INSTEAD OF AN RN AT THE JAIL –** Trey told the Board that the county jail had an overnight RN up until about the end of July, but that RN wanted to go to day shift and since then it has been hard trying to staff a RN but there has

been a LPN that would be a great candidate to fill this overnight opening. The Board raised some concerns including LPN's limited training compared to an RN, potential liability issues, and safety risks, referencing an incident in Lorain County where an LPN was on staff during a serious event. Trey did inform the Board that there's always an RN supervisor and they're on call 24/7 when the LPNs are onsite at the jail. Even though they're not physically right there, they're available by phone.

- **BUDGET COVER COST AFTER THE CLIENT HAS EXHAUSTED THE MEDICAID RESIDENTIAL RATE** – Trey informed the Board that they are struggling with patients being able to afford their medications requiring copay ranging between \$5-\$20 while staying at the Kaptur House. Trey is asking to use some of the current contracted \$147,000 funds to create an indigent pharmacy fund to help cover those copay costs during clients' residencies at Kaptur House.

The Chair asked for motion, motioned Lisa Crescimano and seconded by Tom Tucker. The motion passed.

- **BAYSHORE COUNSELING FY25 CONTRACT INCREASE** – Alyssa informed the Board that Bayshore Council is requesting an increase in the amount of \$13,000 for FY2025. This will be for any corrections that come in through GOSH until the end of December. The Chair asked for motion, motioned Lisa Crescimano and seconded by Tom Tucker. The motion passed.
- **FIRELANDS COUNSELING FY25 CONTRACT INCREASE** – Alyssa also informed the Board of Firelands Counseling and Recovery requesting an increase in the amount of \$75,845.12 for FY2025. This will also be for any corrections that come in through GOSH until the end of December. The Chair asked for motion, motioned Lisa Crescimano and seconded by Tom Tucker. The motion passed.
- **REGIONAL MOBILE CRISIS PROPOSAL** – Diane told the Board that the state has sent out an RFP for six pilot programs across the state. The region is applying for the state grant to pilot 24/7 mobile crisis services across 24 boards, with an estimated cost over one million dollars, aiming to improve behavioral health crisis response. the state is asking, the state is asking us to submit a budget for what it would cost to provide 24-hour crisis services such as how much it will cost to hire a clinician who is going to be independently licensed and peer supporters.
- **DANI'S HOUSE IN TOLEDO REQUEST** – Diane informed the Board of Dani's Place located in Toledo, they are asking Erie County ADAMHS Board for about \$39,000 to cover the room and board cost of Erie County residents sent to Dani's Place is a residential rehabilitation facility in Toledo, OH that provides up to a 28 day stay for those who need stabilization and long-term recovery. The development of Dani's place is being led by the Mental Health & Recovery Services Board of Lucas County, Ohio with support from NAMI Ohio, Ohio MHAS, and 33 Forever—a nonprofit founded by Dani's parents and friends to raise awareness and inspire action promoting mental health and well-being. Chair asked for motion, motioned by Lisa Crescimano and seconded by Steve Poggiali. The motion passed.
- **EXTENSION OF SMALL GRANTS** – Diane let the Board know that some of the Small Grants have been very successful, some of them not. With the approval from the Board, Diane plans to send out letters to providers letting them know that the grants

will be ending January 1st. They need to send in their final expeditors on the 31st of December and there will be no extension. The Chair asked for motion, motioned Lisa Crescimano and seconded by Tom Tucker. The motion passed.

- **REGIONAL AND STATE UPDATES** – Lastly Diane gave the Board an update on the regional projects that were approved at the last regional meeting (See Attachment). It's a total of eight different projects, one of which is our Erie County Detox Center. Any of our Erie County residents can access these programs until the funds run out. Also, HUD proposed cutting Ohio's permanent housing funding from \$114 million to \$34 million, which could severely impact Erie County's homeless services and housing availability.

FISCAL MANAGER REPORT

Alyssa McGue, Fiscal Manager, reviewed the FY2026 board revenues, expenses, cash balance summary, changes in fund balances, and docket.

MOTIONS REQUIRING ACTION

The Chair called for motion(s) to approve the following Resolutions:

Motion	RESOLUTION 11-2026-01 Accepting the report of the fiscal manager on Expenditures and Vouchers Processed for Payment processed for payment during November 2025 in the amount of \$327,687.58 . Protocol: Roll Call Vote . Resulted: Resolution Carried .		
Motion Made by:	Steve Poggiali	Seconded:	Lisa Crescimano
ABSENT _ ADRIENNE GIBBS	ABSENT _ ALEXIS KOCH	YES _ CELINE HEMMINGER	
YES _ LISA CRESCIMANO	YES _ NANCY MCKEEN	YES _ NANCY MARTIN	
ABSENT _ ROB QUINN	YES _ THOMAS TUCKER	YES _ STEVE POGGIALI	

Motion	RESOLUTION 11-2026-02 Approving the report of the fiscal manager on Then and Now processed for payment during November 2025 in the amount of \$4,979.50 . Protocol: Roll Call Vote . Resulted: Resolution Carried .		
Motion Made by:	Steve Poggiali	Seconded:	Lisa Crescimano
ABSENT _ ADRIENNE GIBBS	ABSENT _ ALEXIS KOCH	YES _ CELINE HEMMINGER	
YES _ LISA CRESCIMANO	YES _ NANCY MCKEEN	YES _ NANCY MARTIN	
ABSENT _ ROB QUINN	YES _ THOMAS TUCKER	YES _ STEVE POGGIALI	

THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 5:10 p.m.

CHAIR SIGNATURE

