



The regularly scheduled meeting of the Alcohol, Drug Addiction, Mental Health Services Board of Erie County was held on **February 17, 2026**, at 247 Columbus Avenue, Sandusky, Ohio.

**CALL TO ORDER**

**THE MEETING** was **CALLED TO ORDER** at **4:00 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, Adrienne Gibbs, Rob Quinn

**STAFF PRESENT**

Diane Taylor, Alyssa McGue, Caleb Stidham

**GUESTS PRESENT**

Bayshore Counseling, Erie Shore Network, Firelands Counseling and Recovery, NAMI, SARCC

**INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Julie Bath, Executive Director, NAMI of Erie County
  - An event at Sawmill Creek Resort for the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual “Color of Emotions” fundraiser was announced for April 18, 2026. Tickets are \$75, with a \$5 discount if purchased by March 15.
- Amanda Hass, Site Director, Firelands Counseling & Recovery Services
  - Firelands reported the Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT) program is progressing well with 12 participants, with noted reductions in hospitalizations and incarcerations and ongoing housing challenges.
- Brenda C. Baum, Executive Director, Erie Shore Network, Inc.
  - “Painting for Paws” fundraiser announced for April 13, 2:00-4:30 PM.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion	THE BOARD CHAIR ASKED FOR A MOTION TO APPROVE THE <b>JANUARY 20, 2026, MEETING MINUTES</b> OF THE ALCOHOL, DRUG ADDICTION, MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES BOARD OF ERIE COUNTY. MOTION CARRIED.		
<b>Motion Made by:</b>	Lisa Crescimano	<b>Seconded:</b>	Tom Tucker

## PRESENTATIONS

NO PRESENTATIONS.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

**NO PLANNING OR FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD IN FEBRUARY.**

## EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

- **VOA PROPOSAL TO OBTAIN GROUP HOME** – Diane provided an update regarding discussions with Volunteers of America to transfer ownership of the Beacon Group Home to their agency. VOA requested repairs prior to transfer; Diane noted the initial request was significantly higher and was reduced to a minimal list focused on necessary repairs. Board members discussed obtaining additional contractor estimates and ensuring contractors provide appropriate insurance and workers' compensation/BWC documentation. Diane noted approximately \$48,000 remains in the group home maintenance budget line.

Motion	THE BOARD CHAIR ASKED FOR A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO <b>CONTINUE DISCUSSIONS AND PURSUE BIDS/ESTIMATES</b> FOR REPAIRS ASSOCIATED WITH THE VOA GROUP HOME PROPERTY TRANSFER.		
<b>Motion Made by:</b>	Rob Quinn	<b>Seconded:</b>	Lisa Crescimano

- **RECOMMENDATION FOR CHANGES TO THE CONTRACT TO MEET O.R.C. STANDARDS** – Diane advised the Board of recommended contract language updates (via consultant/contract review), including agency name updates (e.g., Ohio Department of Behavioral Health) and updated links, and a change in termination notice requirements (contracts currently require 120-day notice, but starting July 1, 2026, notice shifts to 60 days, requiring revised contract language). Diane stated revised contract language will be distributed with the meeting minutes for Board review. Legal counsel review is in progress.
- **REVISED MOBILE OUTREACH BUDGET** – Diane reviewed the regional funding request and allocation outcomes. The regional request was originally submitted as \$12.4 million and received \$2.8 million total. Erie County's share is \$189,000. Diane discussed the plan to implement mobile outreach services as a pilot. Proposed service hours would 12:00 PM-8:00 PM, rather than 24/7, based on call volume data and law enforcement feedback. Estimated cost for 12:00 PM-8:00 PM program would be a little over \$500,000 (approximately half of full 24/7 cost). Potential sustainability plan discussed, including leveraging the Criminal Justice/M.O.R.E. grant funds (two years remaining with intent to reapply), reallocation of crisis-related dollars and reduced crisis service costs, and discontinuation of small grants (approximately \$300,000 freed up). Board members raised concerns about sustainability once grant funding ends and broader statewide behavioral health funding uncertainty.
- **REQUEST FROM JOB & FAMILY SERVICES** – Diane reported that Job & Family Services requested additional funding for diagnostic assessments for high-need children. The agency was previously approved for funding in the amount of \$25,000. The most recent

request was submitted to the Board for an additional \$25,000. This funding would be reimbursement-based, not paid in advance. Discussion addressed potential precedent concerns and the option to approve a smaller amount with the ability for JFS to return if needed.

Motion	THE BOARD CHAIR ASKED FOR A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE <b>\$10,000 IN ADDITIONAL FUNDING REIMBURSEMENT FOR JOB &amp; FAMILY SERVICES DIAGNOSTIC ASSESSMENTS.</b>		
Motion Made by:	Lisa Crescimano	Seconded:	Rob Quinn

- **CONTRACT WITH TEMP SERVICE** – Dii’Azia Brown’s last day working as the Board’s Office Manager/Special Events Coordinator occurred January 30, 2026. The position was submitted to Human resources for approval and has been posted; initial applicants were not qualified. Diane has also been in contact with Cardinal Staffing for temporary staffing support; legal counsel reviewed and approved the contract. The Executive Director noted the temp service carries an approximate 15% markup, with potential conversion after 90 days.

**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	<b>RESOLUTION 02-2026-01</b> Accepting the report of the fiscal manager on <b>Expenditures and Vouchers Processed for Payment</b> processed for payment during <b>February 2026</b> in the amount of <b>\$386,360.16</b> . Protocol: <b>Roll Call Vote</b> . Resulted: <b>Resolution Carried.</b>		
Motion Made by:	Steve Poggiali	Seconded:	Lisa Crescimano
YES _ LISA CRESCIMANO	YES _ ADRIENNE GIBBS	YES _ CELINE HEMMINGER	
YES _ NANCY MARTIN	YES _ NANCY MCKEEN	YES _ ROB QUINN	
YES _ THOMAS TUCKER	YES _ STEVE POGGIALI		
Motion	<b>RESOLUTION 02-2026-02</b> Approving the report of the fiscal manager on <b>Then and Now</b> processed for payment during <b>February 2026</b> in the amount of <b>\$54,472.58</b> . Protocol: <b>Roll Call Vote</b> . Resulted: <b>Resolution Carried.</b>		
Motion Made by:	Steve Poggiali	Seconded:	Rob Quinn
YES _ LISA CRESCIMANO	YES _ ADRIENNE GIBBS	YES _ CELINE HEMMINGER	
YES _ NANCY MARTIN	YES _ NANCY MCKEEN	YES _ ROB QUINN	
YES _ THOMAS TUCKER	YES _ STEVE POGGIALI		

Motion	<b>RESOLUTION 02-2026-03</b> Approval to rescind Resolution No. 01-2026-03 and to <b>Temporarily Transfer \$27,783.58</b> of Levy Funds to Erie County Adult Drug Court. Protocol: <b>Roll Call Vote</b> . Resulted: <b>Resolution Carried</b> .		
<b>Motion Made by:</b>	Steve Poggiali	<b>Seconded:</b>	Nancy Martin
Yes _ LISA CRESCIMANO	Yes _ ADRIENNE GIBBS	Yes _ CELINE HEMMINGER	
Yes _ NANCY MARTIN	Yes _ NANCY MCKEEN	Yes _ ROB QUINN	
Yes _ THOMAS TUCKER	Yes _ STEVE POGGIALI		

**THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 4:44 p.m.**

CHAIR SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_