

**MINUTES
STATE BOARD OF MENTAL HEALTH
SPECIALIZED TREATMENT FACILITY
GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2023**

The Mississippi State Board of Mental Health held their regular monthly meeting on Thursday, October 19, 2023, at Specialized Treatment Facility, Gulfport, Mississippi.

In Attendance:

Board Members: Mr. Stewart Rutledge; Mr. Courtney Phillips; Teresa Mosely, M.Ed.; Sara Gleason, M.D.; and Manda Griffin, DNP; Sampat Shivangi, M.D.; Alyssa Killebrew, Ph.D.; and Mr. Robert Landrum

Absent: James Herzog, Ph.D.

Department of Mental Health Executive Staff: Wendy Bailey, Executive Director; Jake Hutchins, Deputy Executive Director Behavioral Health Services; Craig Kittrell, Deputy Executive Director IDD Services; Katie Storr, Chief of Staff; Kelly Breland, Chief Financial Officer; Dr. Kristin Merritte, Chief Clinical Officer, IDD Services; Brent Hurley, Director, Bureau of Behavioral Health Services; Kim Wood, Chief Information Officer; Stephanie Foster, Bureau of Certification and Quality Outcomes; Cyndi Eubank and McCall Chastain, Attorneys; Dr. Robert Maddux, DMH Medical Director

Guests: Dr. Dena Wittmann, Open Doors; Matt Nalker, ARC of Mississippi; and Beth Fenech, Singing River Services

Central Office Staff: Grenaye Sullivan, Recording Secretary; Amy Swanson, Nikki Tapp and Mark Scott

Program Directors: Rinsey McSwain, Ellisville State School; Cindy Caples, South Mississippi Regional Center; Sabrina Young, South Mississippi State Hospital; Jerrie Barnes, Hudspeth Regional Center; Shannon Bush, Specialized Treatment Facility; Jamie Odom, Mississippi Adolescent Center; Dr. Charles Carlisle, East Mississippi State Hospital; James Chastain, Mississippi State Hospital; Dr. Edie Hayles, North Mississippi Regional Center; and Clint Ashley, Boswell Regional Center

Assistant Directors: Dr. Kenneth O'Neal, Ellisville State School

Other DMH Program Staff: Dr. Duncan Stone, Mississippi State Hospital

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Mr. Stewart Rutledge. Mr. Rutledge asked everyone to stand while Terrance Blackwell opened the meeting with the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Rutledge asked for a unanimous consent to the agenda and the August 2023 minutes. With no objections, the Board voted unanimously to approve the agenda and the August 2023 minutes.

Kelly Breland, Chief Financial Officer, presented the Consolidated Financial Summary for the Fifteen Months Ended September 30, 2023

Mr. Breland provided an update on the FY25 Budget Request.

Mr. Breland presented the Contracts, non-state retirees, \$50,000 or more annually and the state retirees, \$20,000 or more annually.

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Specialized Treatment Facility					
Name	Start	End	Amount	Annual/Hourly	Description
Carrie J. Payne-Morris, MSCCC-SLP MPH	11/01/23	10/31/27	\$216,000	\$43,200; \$75/hr.	Contractor will provide speech pathology services to residents at STF.
Dr. Richard Kutner	12/1/23	6/30/27	\$1,052,817	\$467,201; \$250/hr.; \$1000/month for on call	Contractor will serve as primary collaborating physician for the MH Nurse Practitioner.
Contracts, state retirees, \$20,000 or more annually					
Ellisville State School					
Name	Start	End	Amount	Annual/Hourly	Description
Alma Ford	9/01/23	6/30/24	\$74,029	\$26,010/year; \$20/hr.	Retiree will provide Targeted Case Management Services.

Wendy Bailey, Executive Director, reported that on September 7, Dr. Hogan released his fourth, and what would be final report. She reported that there are 19 items in partial compliance, eight items in full compliance and two items approaching compliance, and zero items in noncompliance. Ms. Bailey reported that Dr. Hogan reports DMH has taken substantial steps to achieve compliance by developing and reviewing performance standards and in data collection and analysis.

Ms. Bailey shared a copy of the Mississippi Department of Mental Health's Adult Mental Health Services Data Report. She highlighted a few components of the report.

Ms. Bailey shared a copy of the Office of Mental Health Accessibility Coordinator Status Report.

Ms. Bailey reported DMH was scheduled for a presentation to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee; however, due to some presentations going beyond the scheduled time, the afternoon presenters did not present. She provided a one-page document and the full PowerPoint that includes highlights from FY23.

Amy Swanson and Nikki Tapp, Co-Project Directors, provided an overview of Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic Planning and Demonstration Grants (CCBHC).

Dr. Dena Wittmann, Executive Director, Open Doors, presented an update on CHOICE Housing.

Shannon Bush, Director, Specialized Treatment Facility, provided a Facility Update.

Katie Storr, Chief of Staff, presented an update on the FY23 Strategic Plan End of Year Report.

Rinsey McSwain, Director, Ellisville State School, presented an update on the Cemetery Project.

Property Subcommittee Report:

N/A

Patient Care Subcommittee Report:

Dr. Sara Gleason reported that the Patient Care Subcommittee met prior to the Board meeting. The Patient Care Subcommittee recommended the following medical appointments:

South Mississippi State Hospital

Kurt Bruckmeier, MD
Roy Reeves, MD

North Mississippi State Hospital

Nikolay Horozov, MD

Mississippi State Hospital

John Montgomery, DO
Anna Taylor, OD
Marlee Carson Wadsworth, MD

Hudspeth Regional Center

Falan McKnight, MD

On motion of Dr. Killebrew and second by Dr. Shivangi, the Board voted unanimously to approve the medical appointments.

On motion of Mr. Rutledge, the Board voted to close the regular monthly meeting to determine the need for an Executive Session. On motion of Mr. Landrum and second by Dr. Killebrew, the Board voted unanimously to enter into Executive Session to discuss matters related to personnel and litigation matters. The Board voted unanimously to exit the Executive Session. There were no actions taken by the Board during this session.

With no further business, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn this meeting.



CHAIRMAN



EXECUTIVE SECRETARY