

Present:			Centra Wellness Network Board Meeting Minutes 9:00 a.m. 8/13/2026 Benzie Community Resource Center Vision and Mission Statement: We see a community where everyone's life is valued, has meaning, and each person is treated with dignity and respect. Enhancing freedom to lead a meaningful life through quality behavioral health care, leadership, promoting individual wellness, and teamwork within our community. Values: Embracing and Supporting a Life of Recovery Transparency in Decision-Making Positive Work and Treatment Environment Responsive to Community Needs	Schedule of Significant Events Board of Directors –8/20/2026 9:00 a.m Personnel 8/24/2026 11:00 a.m. Planning & Finance Cmte-8/26/2026 1:00 p.m. Policy Cmte- 9/02/2026 9:00 a.m. Executive Cmte- 9/01/2026 11:00 a.m. Community Srvc & Relations- 11/03/2026 1:00 p.m. Recipient Rights- 12/16/2026 1:30 p.m.	
X	Goodman, Chair			McLain	
	Tanner, Vice Chair	X		Pechacek	
X	Nye, Secretary	X		Uhl	
X	Smith			Markey	
X	McCraner	X	Loynes		
X	Smeltzer	X	Ruddy		
X	Nicole Warlin, Recording Secretary				
Guests: David Evertson, Municipal Solutions					
Staff: Chip Johnston, Cassie Lietaert, Donna Nieman, Patrick Kozlowski, Allison Nicholson, Tricia Polcik, Sarah Garthe					
Time	Agenda Items (Action items are in bold type)	Action/Responsible Party	Decision	Roll Call Vote	
9:00	Opening				
	Pledge	Pledge was recited.			
	Roll Call			Present: DS, TP, SR, JU, KG, JMc, RN, JL Absent: TM, DT, AS, PMc	
	Introductions	None.			
	Public Comment <i>THREE MINUTE LIMIT PER SPEAKER</i>	None.			
	Board Member Comment	Ruddy commented regarding an email she received.			
		Smith arrived at 9:03 a.m.			
	Staff Comment	Johnston commented regarding retirement celebration Thursday, October 1 st at the Platte River Inn 4-7. Warlin commented regarding McLain's resignation from the CWN Board.			
9:07	Minutes/Agenda Actions				
	Modify or approve agenda for 8/13/2026		McCraner Moved; Second by Smeltzer to approve the agenda. <i>Motion Carried</i>		
	Modify or approve minutes from 7/09/2026		McCraner Moved; Second by Pechacek to approve the minutes from 7/9/2026. <i>Motion Carried</i>		
	Eliminate the recording from 7/09/2026		Nye Moved; Second by Smeltzer to eliminate the recording from 7/9/2026. <i>Motion Carried</i>		
9:08	Operations Report and Over-site				
	Executive Director Search Update	Brief update given by Dave Evertson, Municipal Solutions regarding the Executive Director Search. Our posting has received 5			

		applicants so far. We will meet as a Full Board to review applications received on 8/20/2026.		
	NMRE Report	Johnston updated the Board regarding the NMRE. Discussion regarding budgets of CMH's within the NMRE. Mediation is scheduled today for the contract lawsuit. The AG is reviewing the context and content of the RFP against the ruling by Judge Yates.		
10:05	Five-Minute Break			
	Directors Report	Johnston updated the Board regarding the Crisis Response Officer efforts. Discussion regarding the applicants for the Rural Transformation grants funds. Discussion regarding FY27 budget and how Mental Health Framework will cause us to be more aware of our General Funds.		
	Board Committee Reports			
10:26	Executive Committee	Report from Meeting on 8/04/2026		
		Goodman and Johnston went through the report from the 8/4/2026 Executive Committee meeting.	Nye Moved; Second by Smeltzer to accept the report from the 8/04/2026 Executive Committee meeting. <i>Motion Carried</i>	
10:33	Personnel Committee	Report from Meeting on 7/27/2026		
		Goodman and Lietaert went through the report from the 7/27/2026 Personnel Committee meeting.	Pechacek Moved; Second by Loynes to accept the report from the 7/27/2026 Personnel Committee meeting. <i>Motion Carried</i>	
	Health Insurance	Lietaert led the Board through a review and discussion of the Health Insurance renewal for FY27.	Goodman Moved; Second by McCraner to accept Simply Blue PPO, MI Dental, MI Vision and MI Short Term Disability as presented for all covered under the CWN Benefit policy. <i>Motion Carried</i>	
	PA 152 80/20 Hard Cap	Brief discussion regarding PA152.	Nye Moved; Second by Smeltzer to opt out of PA 152 80/20 Hard Cap. <i>Motion Carried</i>	
10:44	Planning and Finance	Report from Meeting on 7/26/2026		
		McCraner went through the report from the 7/26/2026 Planning and Finance Committee meeting.	McCraner Moved; Second by Pechacek to accept the report from the 7/26/2026 Planning and Finance Committee meeting. <i>Motion Carried</i>	
	Financial Statements – Operating Fund		McCraner Moved; Second by Nye to accept the YTD Financial Statements and place them on file. <i>Motion Carried</i>	
	Credit Card Statement		McCraner Moved; Second by Pechacek to accept the Credit Card	

			Statement and place it on file. <i>Motion Carried</i>	
10:47	Recipient Rights	Next Meeting 12/16/2026		
10:47	Community Services and Relations	Report from Meeting on 8/04/2026		
		Uhl and Kozlowski went through the report from the 8/4/2026 CSR Committee meeting.	Uhl Moved; Second by Loynes to accept the report from the 8/04/2026 CSR Committee meeting. <i>Motion Carried</i>	
10:50	Policy and Process	Next Meeting 9/02/2026		
	Legislative Update			
		Johnston shared information regarding HB6022. Brief discussion regarding the upcoming lame duck session.		
	Unfinished Business			
	Board Member Comment	Smith commented regarding his resignation from the CWN Board effective today. Pechacek commented regarding the time of the meeting next week. Goodman commented regarding the letter sent to staff.		
	New Business			
	Next Meeting	August 20, 2026 – 9:00 a.m.		
	Adjournment			
	Meeting adjourned by:	Goodman		

Current Goals:

- Communication within the community and collaboration with community partners
- Access to Care for mild/moderate
- Support the Development and Implementation of a Trauma Informed System of Care.
- Pursuit of Rural Exemption



Rhonda Nye, Board Secretary



Date

Nicole Warlin, Recording Secretary

*All Board Members shall disclose any conflict of interest as applicable per State and Federal regulations (MCL 330.1222 4(a)-(c); 42 CFR 50)