MILWAUKEE COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH BOARD
BUDGET HEARING

Thursday, March 21, 2019 - 4:30 P.M.
Washington Park Senior Center
4420 West Vliet Street

MINUTES

PRESENT:  Michael Davis, Sheri Johnson, Thomas Lutzow, and Maria Perez
EXCUSED:  Kathie Eilers, Rachel Forman, and Duncan Shrout
ABSENT:  Robert Curry, Walter Lanier, Jon Lehrmann, Mary Neubauer, and Brenda Wesley

SCHEDULED ITEMS:

NOTE: All Informational Items are Informational Only Unless Otherwise Directed by the Board.

1. Welcome.
   Chairman Lutzow greeted Board Members and welcomed everyone to the March 21, 2019, Mental Health Board Budget Hearing.

2. Explanation of the Budget Public Comment Process.
   Jeanne Dorff, Fiscal Administrator, Department of Health and Human Services

   Ms. Dorff stated the Behavioral Health Division’s (BHD) 2020 Budget process kicks off with today’s hearing. The public’s input, insights, and comments are important in the compilation of the budget. The information gathered will be forwarded to BHD’s fiscal team who, in turn, will begin assembly.

   Meetings will be scheduled with BHD leaders to review existing programs, identify efficiencies, and ensure dollars are productively being used. New ideas will be considered along with changes in programs to improve outcomes. BHD’s budget process goes through the beginning of June, at which time the preliminary budget will be presented. The BHD 2020 final Budget will be before the Board for consideration in July. It is anticipated there will be a decrease in tax levy for 2020.
3. **Milwaukee County Behavioral Health Division 2020 Budget Discussion.**

   At the time the hearing opened for public comment, there were no registered speakers. There was, however, a group of students in the audience to observe for a school assignment. Chairman Lutzow encouraged their participation in the process. Comments were provided and introductions were made as follows:

   Nateia Tolefree
   Rose Moylan
   Bethany Lato
   Laura Housel
   Nikki Kutil

4. **Adjournment.**

   Chairman Lutzow ordered the meeting adjourned.

This meeting was recorded. The official copy of these minutes and subject reports, along with the audio recording of this meeting, is available on the Milwaukee County Behavioral Health Division/Mental Health Board web page.

Length of meeting: 4:37 p.m. to 4:55 p.m.

Adjourned,

**Jodi Mapp**
Senior Executive Assistant
Milwaukee County Mental Health Board
The March 21, 2019, Budget Hearing minutes of the Milwaukee County Mental Health Board are hereby submitted for approval at the next scheduled regular meeting of the Milwaukee County Mental Health Board.