

**ST. CLAIR COUNTY COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH**  
3111 Electric Avenue, Port Huron, Michigan 48060

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GROUP MEETING: Advisory Council Meeting  
PLACE: St. Clair County CMH – Summit  
DATE: April 2, 2026  
TIME: 12:00 pm  
PRESIDING: Nancy Thomson, Chairman

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PRESENT: Dr. K. Albrecht, H. Fogarty, K. Gallagher, D. Johnson, R. Mirabelli,  
J. Parker, C. Randall, V. Scheffler, N. Thomson, J. Totty, J.  
McCabe (Recording Secretary)

ABSENT: S. Chase, N. Condland, S. Herrle, J. Marocco, M. Partipilo, T.  
Pierce, C. Raymo

GUEST: Pastor Anthony Ferriell

I. Call to Order/Agenda Changes:

The meeting was called to order by N. Thomson at 12:01pm. No agenda changes were made.

II. Review/Accept Minutes & Voting of New Membership:

J. Totty moved to approve February 5, 2026, meeting minutes, and R. Mirabelli seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED**

III. Special Presentations:

a. Treatment by Spiritual Means:

K. Gallagher presented a PowerPoint for members on Mental Health Code Requirements

b. Harvard Training – Spirituality, Religion, and Mental Health:

Dr. Albrecht shared with members about her recent attendance at a conference in early March virtually, regarding Spirituality, Religion, and Mental Health. She shared key takeaways about understanding the evidence base, gained practical skills, explore new boundaries, and connect across faith communities.

c. Freedom in Christ Program:

Pastor Anthony Ferriell provided information about Crossroad Community Church 12-week program designed to help individuals explore practical ways to experience genuine emotional, mental, and spiritual freedom.

IV. Chief Executive Officer Report:

D. Johnson provided members the Agency's Employee & Community Relations report packed full of recent information regarding outreach activities, employee engagement activities, staff & specialty training, professional development, community presentations, Agency upcoming events, and community articles regarding SCCCMHA.

D. Johnson shared an upcoming free training course available to the public. Resilience Rising: Understanding Trauma & the Path to Healing will take place on Friday, April 17 from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm at the Municipal Office Center Auditorium. D. Johnson announced for any participants interested will need to pre-register by contacting Tammy Lake at SCCCMH, due to limited seating. D. Johnson reminded members of the upcoming Run for Recovery on Saturday, May 9, 2026, and of the upcoming Annual Awards on Thursday, May 14, 2026.

D. Johnson updated members on the current status of the MDHHS RFP lawsuit, as well as the Region 10 PIHP lawsuit.

V. SCCCMH Updates:

K. Gallagher gave a brief update along with a handout on work requirements for food assistance. K. Gallagher shared SCCCMH is keeping up to date with all information released. K. Gallagher shared the work requirements went into effect as of March 1, 2026, but she informed of letters available that a physician is capable of signing for individuals who are not capable of the requirements. She stated SCCCMH medical director has possession of those letters, if needed.

K. Gallagher shared a SCCCMH Mobile Crisis Van tour will be available on Tuesday, April 14, 2026, beginning at 3:30 pm. SCCCMH welcomes the community to come see the new van and learn about the features and get a better sense of how it will support the work that occurs across our organization.

VI. Program Operations Updates:

K. Gallagher reported Intervention Center / Jail approached SCCCMH for Peer Support regarding SUD Groups. St. Clair County received OPOID Settlement funds to support the Substance Use Groups.

H. Fogarty highlighted of SCCCMH no longer having PMTO Grant. She informed members of it not impacting our services at SCCCMH. The PMTO Grant allowed payment for a SCCCMH staff member to be a statewide trainer/coach for the evidence-based practice, she is still able to provide those services for our county only, instead of the state of Michigan.

VII. Old Business:

There was no old business to address.

VIII. Policy Review:

N. Thomson informed the five (5) policies up for review had no substantial changes, mostly changed to the new format, slight language changes, or ownership moved to staff within the role. If there are any notable changes you would like to address, to please reach out.

IX. Council Roundtable:

Dr. Albrecht asked for bullet points or packet of information spoken about at the Advisory Council meeting to be available to the Board of Directors.

D. Johnson briefly shared SCCCMH has pins available for Autism Awareness Month at the front kiosk station for purchase of \$2.00.

X. Next Meeting:

Next meeting date is scheduled for Thursday, June 4, 2026.

XI. Adjournment:

With no further business to address, Advisory Council meeting adjourned. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Trembath

Recording Secretary