

authorization process for CLS and general fund consumers. She noted that the current projected budget deficit is approximately \$344 thousand.

FY09 REVISED BUDGET

CMH 09-013 Motion: To approve the FY09 Revised Budget as presented

Moved by: Disselkoen

Support: Cartwright

MOTION CARRIED

Ms. Brown indicated that these new budget numbers are based on maintaining the current position vacancies. A request has been made to the state that CMHOC be permitted to use the Internal Service Fund to help defray the cost of those consumers who have not yet been moved from Mt. Pleasant.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

CMH 09-013 Motion: To delay the 2009 Organizational Meeting of the CMHOC Board of Directors until May 18, 2009 and to extend the terms of office for a period of one month.

Moved by: VanderVeen

Support: Cartwright

MOTION CARRIED

Mr. Van Zoeren appointed Ms. Bucek, Mr. Kanten and Ms. Kortman to serve on the nominating committee. He reported that there will be a Board work session immediately following the regular monthly Board meeting in May. The May Board meeting will be held at Harbor House Ministries in Jenison. Ms. Bird noted that changes in meeting time and location often results in confusion and she has received comments about these changes.

Mr. Van Zoeren appointed Ms. Vanderveen and Ms. Kortman as voting delegates to the MACMHB Spring Conference.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Dr. Brashears provided the following updates:

- Pertaining to his participation on MACMHB committees, he has been involved with the Standards Group, serving on the subcommittee focusing on wait lists and needs assessments. This workgroup has decided to use the CMHOC wait list (draft) procedure as the base model. Dr. Brashears will bring the draft policy to PPQI Committee for review and discussion. He attended the MACMHB Executive Committee meeting, where the budget that includes a two percent increase for Association employees was discussed and approved. The Policy Committee discussed the practice by DCH of adding contractual requirements without funding and/or negotiation.
- Along with Dr. Darren Lubbers and Patrick O'Rourke, Dr. Brashears will be giving a presentation on sustaining Evidence Based Practices at the upcoming MACMHB Spring Conference.
- CMHOC has been asked to submit a series of articles for the Board Association's publication, Connections. Dr. Brashears has submitted an article for the upcoming edition highlighting the full continuum of services for DD. The second articles will spotlight a specific provider of service and the third will address service needs from a parent's perspective. Dr. Brashears will also serve on the editorial board for this publication.

- CMHOC staff members are actively engaged in the development of a curriculum for CBS and CLS. A draft has been sent to the PPQI Committee Chair. Dr. Brashears has been meeting with a group of CLS providers to review this curriculum and to gather input.
- Jane Longstreet, Program Supervisor for MI Services, and Ann Heerde, Program Coordinator for Children's Services, have been collaborating with the County Health Department to develop and provide infant mental health services. They will be provide a presentation of their work to the Board in the near future.
- The contract with Hope Network Behavioral Health Services will be presented in May.

OLD BUSINESS

Budget Deficit Reduction Update – Dr. Michael Brashears

Dr. Brashears updated the Board on activities related to the budget deficit reduction project. The plan calls for holding vacant position, which currently are approximately twelve percent of the agency's workforce. At this time, he is not anticipating the need to layoff existing staff, but noted that this could change at any time. He discussed strategies to address concerns with the FY2010 budget.

NEW BUSINESS

Consumer Advisory Committee

CMH 09-014 Motion: To appoint Lucile Van Koevering, San-Dee Stradley and Jackie Stark to the Consumer Advisory Committee, each for a two (2) year term.

Moved by: Gretzner Support: Bucek

Ms. Kortman raised concerns with appointing individuals to this Committee, noting that she is uncomfortable with the current process. She requested that this agenda item be tabled until a future date. After some discussion, the Board, by consensus, decided that the process for appointing Consumer Advisory Committee members will be discussed at the May 18 Board work session. Ms. Gretzner withdrew her motion; Ms. Bucek withdrew her support.

Motion: To table the agenda item for discussion at the May 18, 2009 Board Work Session

Moved by: Vanderveen Support: Bird

Closed Session

CMH 09-015 Motion: To go into closed session to discuss matters exempt from disclosure by state and federal statute (2/3 roll-call vote required)

Yeas: Berghorst, Bird, Bucek, Cartwright, Disselkoen, Gretzner, Hesse, Kanten, Kortman, Vanderveen, Van Zoeren

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED

CMH 09-016 Motion: To rise from Close Session

Moved by: Disselkoen Support: VanderVeen

MOTION CARRIED

Motion: To continue the current travel reimbursement provision in Dr. Brashears' contract for the remainder of the contract year.

Moved by: Cartwright

Support: Disselkoen

MOTION CARRIED

GENERAL INFORMATION, COMMENTS AND MEETINGS ATTENDED

Ms. Vander Veen provided information from the recent MACMHB Legislative Committee meeting. Items of discussion included the mental health court, participation in the National Council's Hill Day event, and implementation of mental health parity. The Association has requested that CMH board forward data on anticipated impacts in the event of budget cuts by the State. Dr. Brashears will gather this information and forward to Board members prior to submitting to the Board Association.

Rita Bird suggested the development of a Board operations handbook to help guide Board members related to items such as legal responsibilities, obligations to consumers, and to provide current Board information such as bylaws, Board policies, resolutions that have been passed, and general information. Mr. Van Zoeren referred this item to Dr. Brashears. Ms. Bird and Mr. Kanten provided information regarding the recent meeting with the Attorney General.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment

ADJOURNMENT

CMH 09-017 Motion: To adjourn the April 27, 2009 CMHOC Board of Directors Meeting

Moved by: Berghorst

Support: Vanderveen

MOTION CARRIED

Mr. Van Zoeren adjourned the April 27, 2009 CMHOC Board of Directors meeting at 3:45 p.m.

Keith Van Zoeren, Board Chair

Donald Disselkoen, Secretary