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***** MEETING MINUTES *****

Minutes of the November 19, 2020, Virtual Board Meeting

Trustee	Web meeting	Trustee	Web meeting
Mary Calzaretta		Julia López	
Terrell Carter		Phil Minden	X
Marguerite Grandelious	X	Cassandra Pinkston	
Linda Grayson	X	Robert Poirier	X
Darrell Hudson	X	Carla Rose	X
Carolyn Jackson	X	Donna Schmitt	X
David Laslo		Yusef Scoggin	X

Others Attending:
 William Kuehling, Thompson Coburn
 Jama Dodson, Executive Director
 MHB Staff

- 1. Call to Order** – The Meeting of the Saint Louis Mental Health Board of Trustees was called to order at 5:46 p.m. by Chair, Linda Grayson.
- 2. Community Comments** – There were no community members participating who wished to address the Board.
- 3. Approval of October 2020 Board Minutes** – The motion was made by Phil Minden and seconded by Carla Rose to approve the October 15, 2020 Minutes of the last Trustees meeting as distributed. The motion passed unanimously.
- 4. Resolution to Approve Funding for Sobering Center** – The Program Committee reviewed the Resolution to make funding available for a community sobering center to be established in the Preferred Family Health Care Center facility. Based on the committee’s review, it was determined that such a facility could both relieve emergency departments of people who were inebriated but not sick. It would also cut the time of Police involvement in transporting and admitting inebriated people to care or incarceration, from the current average of 2 hrs. to only 15 minutes. The motion was made by Carla Rose and seconded by Phill Minden to approve the Resolution to fund the Sobering Center. The motion passed unanimously.
- 5. Update Regarding Status of Creating a 501C3 Related Entity** - William Kuehling, Board Counsel, provided the Trustees a brief update related to the creation of a 501C3-

related entity for Saint Louis MHB. More review of the costs associated with this option need to be done before in order to make a decision about this idea.

6. **Saint Louis MHB 25th Anniversary Video** – In lieu of a Staff Report, Jama played for the Trustees and Staff the Saint Louis MHB 25th Anniversary Video.
7. **Adjournment** – There being no further business, Chair, Linda Grayson adjourned the meeting—which is the last Board meeting in 2020—at 6:20 p.m. The next meeting of the Trustees will be held on **January 21, 2021**.