

Livingston County Mental Health Board 708 Board Meeting Minutes

August 19, 2010

708 Board Present: Paul Studnicki, Vicki Day, Margaret Brunskill, and Laura Leslie

377 Board Present: Bob Walter, Vicki Day and Bob McCarty

Public Health Committee: Judy Campbell and George Knudsen

Staff Present: Carol Flessner and Janice Golliday

Guests: Brian Blossom, Futures Unlimited; Joe Ronaldson & Joe Vaughan, IHR and Chris Johnson, Mosaic

Treasurer Margaret Brunskill called the 708 Board meeting to order.

It was moved by Paul and seconded by Laura to approve the July 15th minutes. Motion carried.

It was moved by Vicki and seconded by Paul to approve the July check listing. Motion carried.

It was moved by Laura and seconded by Paul to approve the July financial statement. Motion carried.

Executive Director Report:

- Carol reported that the state comptroller is currently paying vouchers through the 14th of January. Even though we are on expedited payment the state owes the 708 Board \$50,064 and the Youth Commission \$32,487. Futures Unlimited is also approved for expedited payment and they are experiencing the same late payments from the state. Chris Johnson of Mosaic said they are not approved for expedited payments and they are being paid up to the same dates as the two agencies that are on "expedited" payments. Chris wonders if really makes any difference if you are approved for expedited payments. It seems the agencies will get paid whenever the state decides. At this time DCFS is up to date on payments to the Youth Commission but DHS is behind. The State now is requesting reports from all agencies regarding all sources of funding the agencies receive, i.e. United Way, etc. Joe and Carol feel that it is none of their business.
- Carol did not attend the two-day training on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week. She will take the training at a later date.
- The Childrens Mental Health grant committee will meet tomorrow to go forward with their plan for Livingston County youth and present it to the foundation at next week's 3-day training. Bob Walter has been recruited for this committee. A process called SART will be done which stands for screening, assessment, referral and treatment. These services will be paid with the grant money.

- Carol introduced Joe Vaughan, IHR, who will be Joe's successor when Joe Ronaldson retires in October.

Old Business:

- Carol reported the FY2011 Budget has been worked on but it is not clear as to what the levy will be. Carol is trying to get some answers.
- Carol found out the value of the 4-5 year old computers from Steve Zeller. He valued the computers at \$50 and the monitors at \$25. Zeller said these are the price R.R. Donnelley gets for used computer equipment. A decision by the board needs to be made as to either selling the computers/monitors for the suggested amount to staff and/or donate the remainder to Futures Unlimited. There are also several printers not being utilized that could be donated. It was moved by Paul and seconded by Laura to let staff purchase the used computers and monitors for the suggested value or donate them and the printers to Futures Unlimited for training purposes. Motion carried.

New Business:

- None.

Agency Comments:

Futures Unlimited:

- Brian announced they will be hosting a 40th year anniversary celebration on September 23rd in the Cat Room. Futures will be hosting the Business After Hours on this date. They will have some displays set up. Invitations will be going out soon.
- Payments from the state are extremely slow. Brian does not recall it ever being this bad in the past. The state will not even give Futures a date when they can expect another payment. The state owes them around \$360,000 total that goes as far back as last December.
- Futures Unlimited will be CARF accredited on September 27, 28 and 29th. This involves 3 programs.

Institute for Human Resources:

- Joe reported that Green, Calhoun, and Jersey County better known as the Tri-County Mental Health Services is closing. Those clients will have to find other means to receive their services. Another counseling center is closing that cannot afford to stay open for services.
- Joe will be retiring this October from IHR. He really enjoys helping people with their issues that need counseling. There is always something new. Joe is old enough to retire but he will still be around if Joe Vaughan needs his input. Joe Vaughan will take over on October 1st. Joe Ronaldson will be around in October to assist Joe Vaughan. Joe thanked the 708/377 Board for all the years of their concern for the people of Livingston County. Margaret and other board members gave Joe "kudos" for all he has done to help Livingston County residents over the years.
- Joe Vaughan thanked the 708/377 Boards for their interest in his presentations in the past and will be Joe Ronaldson's under study for the month of September before he takes over the reigns in October. He jokingly told the board that he does not speak nearly as fast or long as Joe Ronaldson. Plus he does not have an accent! Carol has passed "priority use" of her rocker in her office to Joe Vaughan for discussion of issues that may come up in the future.

Mosaic:

- Chris reported they are continuing to pursue re-opening the second CILA home in Dwight. They have received CILA funding approval for one client and are waiting on a couple of others.
- Mosaic staff have to be entered in the Healthcare Worker Registry after they have been through the proper training to be considered authorized. Staff must be on this list in order to leave them alone on a shift. These entries are done by a SIU student under contract with DHS every Friday. Recently Mosaic had some staff trained and the list was sent in to be entered and they were not entered. After some investigation Chris found out that the list had been sitting on someone's desk for over 4 weeks due to a contract not being signed. They are now in the registry.

ADV/SAS:

- Not present.

It was moved by Paul and seconded by Laura to go into executive session to discuss personnel issues. Motion carried.

It was moved by Paul and seconded by Margaret to come out of executive session. Motion carried. No action was taken.

It was moved by Laura and seconded by Paul to adjourn. Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Leslie, Secretary