Livingston County Mental Health Board 708 Board Meeting Minutes August 21, 2025 at 4:00 PM

708 Board Present: Jack Vietti, Debbie Studnicki, Ed Legner, Pam Stone, Gary Beier,

Barb Schlatter, Clark Reamer

708 Board Absent:

377 Board Present: Bob McCarty, Vicki Day

377 Board Absent: Chris Johnson

Livingston County Board Members: Jack Vietti

Staff Present: Taylor Hartman, Meg Gillette

Guests: Joe Vaughan, IHR; Maryssa McCoy, A.I.R

The 708 Board meeting was called to order by President Jack Vietti.

Agenda:

- It was moved by Ed Legner, seconded by Pam Stone to approve the June 2025 Minutes. Motion carried.
- It was moved by Gary Beier, seconded by Clark Reamer to approve the June 2025 Check Listing. Motion carried.
- It was moved by Ed Legner, seconded by Pam Stone to approve the June 2025 Financial Statement. Motion carried.
- It was moved by Barb Schlatter, seconded by Ed Legner to approve the July 2025 Check Listing. Motion carried.
- It was moved by Gary Beier, seconded by Clark Reamer to approve the July 2025 Financial Statement. Motion carried.

Executive Director Report:

- National Night Out was 8/5 in Dwight and it went really well. Sensory stickers were a major hit.
- Upcoming events include ROSC's Recovery Month event on 9/6 at the Pontiac Rec from 10-1pm. We will also be represented at Harvest Days in Dwight on 9/20. Jeremiah's Journey will be holding a Suicide Prevention Walk event in Pontiac on 9/20 at Humiston from 11:30-2:30pm.
- Illinois's Governor signed a law at the beginning of August that will implement Mental Health screenings in Public Schools. This will begin with the 2027 school year(Clark mentioned that Livingston County schools have already been implementing the screenings before it was a statewide expectation).
- Taylor gave Vicki the floor to discuss the possibility of a local counselor to come to the October meeting to speak on facility dogs for local schools. The 708 board was very open and it was agreed upon for Marci Hunt to speak at the October meeting.

Agency Comments:

IHR:

- Joe announced staffing was good. They just hired a male in their Substance Use program.
- Jen Elzey is continuing to setting in as the Mental Health Program Director she is working hard with the therapist to look at how they see people and the amount of time they see people.
- Teresa continues to do her open assessments through the waiting list, she has met with 14 people in the last quarter and has about 8 openings every other week.
- Last quarter they did a SELCAS EMT Training in Fairbury, they talked about the Crisis Services and substance use issues.

New Business:

Adjourn

It was moved by Ed Legner and seconded by Barb Schlatter to adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Pam Stone, Secretary