

**Livingston County Board for the Care
And Treatment of Persons with a Developmental Disability
377 Board Meeting Minutes**

June 20, 2013

377 Board Present: Bob McCarty

708 Board Present: Jack Vietti, Ed Legner, Laura Leslie, Margaret Brunskill, Steve Tock and Bob Walter

Livingston County Board Members: Jack Vietti, Kelly Cochran-Cohlman and Carolyn Gerwin

Staff Present: Carol Flessner, Amy Zick and Janice Golliday

Guests: Lori McCollom ADV/SAS, Brian Blossom, Futures Unlimited; and Beth Robert & Joe Vaughan, IHR; and Julie Cotter, LCSSU.

There is not a quorum this month for the 377 Board to conduct business.

President Bob McCarty introduced Julie Cotter of LCSSU. She is one of the co-chairs of the GEM committee. This is a committee that has been formed out of the Local Interagency Council. The Illinois Department of Human Services has the network that provides services to children birth – age 3 with special needs. After age 3 it becomes the schools responsibility to provide services to these children. Once a year they have the GEM conference to provide helpful information to parents, teachers, health care providers, speech therapists, occupational therapists, daycare providers, social workers, etc. It is a fun day as well. There are between 150-175 people from the county that attend. The conference is free to the attendees. They have different speakers make presentations. This year they have someone presenting from Milliken University and ISU. There also break-out sessions. Lunch is provided at no charge to the attendee. Julie distributed a budget for the GEM conference. The conference is held at the Bible Church in October.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob McCarty, Secretary Protem