

**Livingston County Mental Health Board
708 Board Meeting Minutes
January 18, 2024 at 4:00 PM**

708 Board Present: Jack Vietti, Debbie Studnicki, Gary Beier, Barb Schlatter, Clark Reamer

708 Board Absent: Ed Legner, Pam Stone

377 Board Present: Bob McCarty, Vicki Day, Chris Johnson

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Livingston County Board Members: Jack Vietti

Staff Present: Taylor Hartman, Meg Gillette and Tanya Melvin

Guests: Patty Haberkorn, Futures Unlimited; Joe Vaughn, IHR; Susan Bursztnsky, Safe Journeys; Gary Beckman, AIR.

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

Agenda:

- It was moved by Gary Beier, seconded by Clark Reamer to approve the December 2023 Minutes. Motion carried.
- It was moved by Barb Schlatter, seconded by Debbie Studnicki to approve the December 2023 Check Listing. Motion carried.
- It was moved by Gary Beier, seconded by Debbie Studnicki to approve the December 2023 Financial Statement. Motion carried.

Executive Director Report: We recently did a 30-day CD renewal at First Financial at 5.2%. Only did a 30 day just incase we needed the funds at any point, some of the other CDs are in there for longer. We are currently anticipating a \$14,000 surplus in our benefits in the 708 account because none of the staff on the Mental Health Board opted in for the insurance family plan match the county offered. So, the budget accounted for one or two to use it and none of us are using it. We met with Diane Swan at the County to coordinate the distribution of the Opioid Settlement Funds for IHR and got all the accounts set up and ready to go for when they start disbursing the money.

Agency Comments:

IHR: Building the Recovery group, it started in December. Going to be taking over a Overdose and Recovery 5K Run on May 4th in Fairbury. Will use part of the Opioid settlement on those types of activities for building awareness and let them know where they are at and the services they provide.

Safe Journeys: The shelter has been pretty full for several months. They have a 90 day stay max. Have a couple families who have been there longer because they owe some money to Public housing, so working on trying to get them safe housing. The counseling department, the clinical director has started offering Accelerated Resolution

Therapy (ART). Prevention numbers will probably be down in January. Court Advocacy has been pretty busy and has had an increase in cases.

Futures: Finally have an HR manager and really thankful and she was worth the wait. Still looking for DSPs. Behavioral Health Clinic: Tim had a goal to do a soft launch, it wasn't ready just yet. They are within days of getting a medical records program. They are really excited and have staff wanting to be a part of it. Starting off serving the people they already serve first to get a good foundation there before they branch out. Has a lot of potential to help the people they serve and increase the revenue stream. The State is cutting 2.5 million DSP hours across the state.

AIR: The Pontiac Recreation Center has a new Director Gary Beckman. He is excited to be back in the Pontiac Community.

Old Business:

- **End of Fiscal Year Updates**
 - **Approve 708 November 2023 Financial Statement**
It was moved by Barb Schlatter, seconded by Debbie Studnicki to approve the November 2023 Financial Statement. Motion carried.

New Business:

Adjourn

It was moved by Barb Schlatter and seconded by Gary Beier to adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Stone, Secretary