

**Livingston County Mental Health Board**  
**708 Board Meeting Minutes**  
**January 16, 2025 at 4:00 PM**

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

**708 Board Absent:** Ed Legner

**377 Board Present:**

**377 Board Absent:** Bob McCarty, Vicki Day, Chris Johnson

**Livingston County Board Members:** Jack Vietti

**Staff Present:** Taylor Hartman, Tanya Melvin, Meg Gillette

**Guests:** Patty Haberkorn, Futures Unlimited; Susan Bursztynsky, Safe Journeys, Joe Vaughan, IHR

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

**Agenda:**

- It was moved by, Gary Beier seconded by Debbie Studnicki to approve the December 2024 Minutes. Motion carried.
- It was moved by Gary Beier, seconded by Debbie Studnicki to approve the December 2024 Check Listing. Motion carried.
- It was moved by Debbie Studnicki seconded by Gary Beier to approve the December 2024 Financial Statement. Motion carried.

**Executive Director Report:**

- Taylor submitted IHR's Opioid litigation funds request in hopes of it being able to continue their support groups.
- AIR and Safe Journeys will both be audited in the coming month
- The state of Illinois launched BEACON, a Children's Behavioral Health Portal, where guardians and providers can access resources from DHS, DCFS, ISBE, IDPH, HFS, and IDJJ.
- We will not be renewing our Positive Pay Program. After using it for over a year the \$30 a month did not seem necessary to continue.
- Rolling over the CDs
- The heat in the Health Department has not been consistent for us, due to a system that is not meant for a building of this size. We have come into the office being in the 50s some mornings. The maintenance team has been working on it and it has improved to an extent. If anyone pays us a visit, please make sure to bring layers just in case!

## **Agency Comments:**

**Futures:** Patty reported that the PAES lab equipment arrived and Cathy Melvin is planning where all of it will be installed. The kitchen continues to progress. They have begun the EHR implementation process and will be meeting weekly to keep that on schedule. The target completion date for full implementation is August 1<sup>st</sup>. They have hired three new staff for the CILA department. Its been busy and the clients have been out and about in the community.

**Safe Journeys:** Susan reported that December has been a slow month with no school and staff having a couple weeks' vacation. They are getting back in the schools now and looking at prevention.

**IHR:** Joe reported there really isn't any new news. The Nation Accreditation "CARF" will come at the end of January to look over their standards and make sure they are doing everything correctly. The new Stress Management group has started and they had one person attend the most recent meeting.

## **Old Business:**

## **New Business:**

## **Adjourn**

It was moved by Clark Reamer and seconded by Barb Schlatter to adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Stone, Secretary