

Livingston County Mental Health Board
708 Board Meeting Minutes
April 20, 2023 @ 4:00p.m.

708 Board Present: Jack Vietti, Debbie Studnicki, Rose Smith, Gary Beier

708 Board Absent: Ed Legner, Lynette Barnett, Pam Stone

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

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Livingston County Board Members: Jack Vietti,

Staff Present: Chris Myers, Meg Gillette, and Amy Zick

Guests: Patty Haberkorn, Futures Unlimited; Joe Vaughn, IHR; Sheriff Ryan Bohm

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

Chris introduced Barb Schlatter who will be taking the place of Lynette Barnett, finishing her term if so moved by the 708 Board and approved by the County Board.

Presentation:

None

Agenda:

It was moved by Gary Beier and seconded by Debbie Studnicki to approve the 708 Board minutes February 2023. Motion carried.

It was moved by Debbie Studnicki and seconded by Rose Smith to approve the 708 Board check listing for February 2023. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gary Beier and seconded by Rose Smith to approve the 708 Board financial statements for February 2023. Motion carried.

It was moved by Debbie Studnicki and seconded by Rose Smith to approve the 708 Board check listing for March 2023. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gary Beier and seconded by Rose Smith to approve the 708 Board financial statements for March 2023. Motion carried.

Executive Director Report:

- Drug Court had their first graduation since COVID was held.
- Teresa Diemer sent a thank you note for helping a client who is continuing to stay clean from drugs but is struggling with their mental health.

- Abby Taplin, Social Worker for Dwight Township High School has set up daily activities and awareness for Mental Health Week for the students and staff.
- There is a Bill that has passed through the House of Representatives and is currently in the Senate to change the wording in the Mental Health Act.
- Partners in Possibilities is being held through Mosaic to raise awareness and what is offered in the community

Old Business:

- None

New Business:

- Reappointment of Jack Vietti to 708 Board
 - It was moved by Debbie Studnicki and seconded by Gary Beier for Jack Vietti to remain on the 708 Board for a 4-year term, ending May 2027.
- Appointment of Barb Schlatter to 708 Board
 - It was moved by Jack Vietti and seconded by Gary Beier to appoint Barb Schlatter to the 708 Board to complete Lynette Barnett's term, ending May 2024.
- Training on how to file Witness Slips on the IL General Assembly Website

Safe Journeys:

- Nothing to report other than being busy.

Institute for Human Resources:

- Held a Victim Impact Panel, a requirement for anyone who has received a DUI. The person speaking at this event was someone who had received a DUI as well as was a victim of a DUI.
- Drug Court graduate gave a fond speech regarding the interaction this person had with Sheriff Bohm citing the arrest encounter was what they needed to turn their life around and make different choices for their future.
- Operation Snowflake will be held this Saturday, April 22, 2023, 12:00 pm until 9:00 pm.

Futures Unlimited:

- Still having hiring issues especially with Case Managers being capped at 30 clients.
- Trying to obtain an audience with legislators to explain the funding decisions made with the increase of rates but decrease of funds.

OSF:

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Sheriff Bohm:

- Sheriff Bohm reported the Jail is still trying to coordinate with DHS to move detainees who belong in mental health facilities instead of incarceration.
- Livingston County is still looking to hire several correctional officers to staff the Jail.

- Sheriff Bohm was happy to receive a personal invitation for the Drug Court graduation as the arresting officer with a positive outcome.

Executive Session:

- None

It was moved by Gary Beier and seconded by Rose Smith to adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Rose Smith, Secretary