

Livingston County Mental Health Board
708 Board Meeting Minutes
May 19, 2022 @ 4:00p.m. by Conference Call or In-Person

708 Board Present: Jack Vietti, Debbie Studnicki, Ed Legner, Rose Smith, Lynette Barnett, and Gary Beier

708 Board Absent: Pam Krominga

377 Board Present: Bob McCarty, Mary Etta Mullen,

377 Board Absent: Vicki Day

Livingston County Board Members: Jack Vietti

Staff Present: Chris Myers, Meg Gillette, and Amy Zick, Mandy Roberts-Lieb

Guests: Patty Haberkorn, Futures Unlimited; Joe Vaughn, IHR; Susan Burtinzsky, Safe Journeys; Maryssa McCoy and Taylor Baxter brought Brandy and Brian, our own Special Olympians, Pontiac Parks and Recreation/AIR

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

Chris Myers requested the presentation be given at the beginning of the meeting.

Presentation:

The A.I.R. program presented the two athletes, Brandy and Brian, for the Special Olympics in Orlando. Maryssa and Taylor from the Recreation Center discussed what the program is offering and let Brandy and Brian discuss their sports and goals with the upcoming Special Olympic games.

Chris recognized Mandy Roberts-Lieb for her 17.5 years of service to the Mental Health Board and Youth Commission.

Chris recognized Mary Etta Mullen for her 9 years of service on the 377 Board.

It was moved by Gary Beier and seconded by Ed Legner to approve the 708 Board minutes for March 2022. Motion carried.

It was moved by Lynette Barnett and seconded by Debbie Studnicki to approve the 708 Board check listing for March 2022. Motion carried.

It was moved by Rose Smith and seconded by Ed Legner to approve the 708 Board check listing for April 2022. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gary Beier and seconded by Lynette Barnett to approve the 708 Board financial statements for March 2022. Motion carried.

It was moved by Debbie Studnicki and seconded by Rose Smith to approve the 708 Board financial statements for April 2022. Motion carried.

Executive Director Report:

- House Bill 3215 passed with the new wording that helps with PTELL for current and any new Mental Health Boards being created with following the legislature that aligns with PTELL.
- We have a Facebook page that posts things relevant to mental health and any specialized events happening or national mental health days.
- The governor signed another bill that created a co-responder pilot program that will be implemented in Peoria, East Saint Louis, Springfield, and Waukegan, that will provide a social services worker that responds with some of the calls to gather data and assist with case management, aiding the police as they need with specific mental health training.
- ROSC, Recovery Oriented System of Care, Chestnut received a grant to have a ROSC in Livingston County that meets monthly. Discussing how to make the system of recovery and substance use issues better in our community. Providing ideas on housing and employment and other issues that may arise.
- 998 crisis/suicide lifeline goes online July 1st, to take over all other crisis lines, some issues may arise with who is to respond and directing to correct agencies. A.I.R. survey is live to collect responses on what could be needed or desired in Livingston County to provide additional options for programs to offer.

Old Business:

- None.

New Business:

- It was moved by Gary Beier and seconded by Ed Legner to approve the 708 Board re-appointment of Debbie Studnicki and Rose Smith on the 708 Board. Motion carried.
- Funding applications are coming in now and are due at the end of May. We will provide them for approval for the June Meeting before presenting to the County Board.
- Executive Session to review minutes for Executive Sessions in FY 2019-20, FY 2020-21

Safe Journeys:

- Susan states she is waiting to hear from the state on how much additional DV funds are available to them.
- Hoping to look at a location closer to the court house to better serve clients without much travel.
- Still working on separating out job descriptions to have a full-time advocate, and separating out the counselor.

Institute for Human Resources:

- Joe stated they had their Snowflake event with Christine McMillion and Gary Beier. They had 33 students, with a little bit lower numbers but confident they are building the program back up. He states he appreciates the workers for putting on a great program.
- IHR is fully staffed; States they just had a child and adolescent therapist start, and hired two “persons with lived experience”, which are two people in active recovery to go out and talk to people in that situation.
- Working on a memorandum agreement with the jail to rearrange expectations between the two entities to provide services.

Futures Unlimited:

- Patty says she will get her funding application completed
- Home and community-based services rule information has been submitted and now they wait for the response. Waiting for the surveyors to come and verify the information submitted.
- Still trying to find staff, always looking to hire new staff members.
- The individual who has been having issues and they are still trying to find placement for him to better serve his needs.

OSF:**Executive Session:**

It was moved by Gary Beier and seconded by Lynette Barnett to go into Executive Session. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gary Beier and seconded by Rose Smith to come out of Executive Session. Motion carried.

Action Taken:

It was moved by Gary Beier and seconded by Lynette Barnett to approve content and open the minutes for Executive Session held July 16, 2020. Motion carried.

It was moved by Debbie Studnicki and seconded by Lynette Barnett to approve content and open the minutes for Executive Session held April 15, 2021. Motion carried.

It was moved by Rose Smith and seconded by Gary Beier to approve content and keep closed the minutes for Executive Session held May 20, 2021. Motion carried.

It was moved by Lynette Barnett and seconded by Gary Beier to approve content and keep closed the minutes for Executive Session held August 19, 2021. Motion carried.

It was moved by Debbie Studnicki and seconded by Lynette Barnett to adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Rose Smith, Secretary