

# Livingston County Mental Health Board 708 Board Meeting Minutes

**April 12, 2012**

**708 Board Present:** Ed Legner, Laura Leslie, Margaret Brunskill, Steve Tock and Vicki Day

**377 Board Present:** Bob McCarty and Vicki Day

**Public Health Committee:** No one

**Staff Present:** Carol Flessner, Janice Golliday and Amy Zick

**Guests:** Karen Donovan, Futures Unlimited; Margee Morrison, ADV/SAS; Chris Johnson, Mosaic; and Joe Vaughan, IHR

Vice-President Ed Legner called the 708 Board meeting to order.

It was moved by Vicki and seconded by Laura to approve the amended March 15<sup>th</sup> 708 Board minutes. Motion carried.

It was moved by Steve and seconded by Margaret to approve the March 708 check listing. Motion carried.

It was moved by Laura and seconded by Steve to approve the March 708 Board financial statements. Motion carried.

## **Executive Director Report:**

- Carol reported that mental health funding will be cut by 10% in FY13. However, according to Kevin Casey, the developmental disabled funds will not be cut. This is due to the Ligas lawsuit. Twelve names were drawn from the PUNS list to receive services in Livingston County. They were chosen by categories. This does not include crisis. The state pulled over 400 names and 375 still wanted services. Another 800 names will be pulled by summer. They are supposed to pull over 6000 names over 6 years. Every indication shows the state is closing Jacksonville Developmental Center. People are moving out every day. Kevin Casey stated that the Murray Developmental Center will close instead of Choate.
- There may be significant changes in the ISC programs.
- ACMHAI is forming a committee from around the state to meet with legislators that sit on the budget committee.

## **Old Business:**

- LCCN, to date, have screened 3,138 children between the ages of 0-18. This includes the screenings that OSF does through the 377 funding of Infant & Toddler Enrichment Program. The Triple P training was held last month for two days. 10 were OSF staff and 9 IHR staff and Mandy attended. This will allow screenings to be conducted in the doctor's offices. Next week ten members of the LCCN Leadership Team will go to Chicago for a 2 day meeting with the Children's Foundation. Harvey Saver will present a program at the ACMHAI Spring Conference next week. Mandy is spending every Thursday in juvenile court. She

screens these youth. The leadership committee has hired a new program director, Kristal Shevlin Ph. D. She is a psychologist from the Rockford area school system. She will be available the first of July. Some youth that are screened need educational assistance and may be referred to Carol Gardner at The ACHIEVE Center. A contract needs to be in place with The ACHIEVE Center and LCCN.

- FY13 budget is still up in the air. Legislators are not in session at the time.

#### **New Business:**

- The 708/377 board were presented with a new policy and procedure regarding internet usage and social networking on company computers and personal cell phones. It was provided by Barbara Weiner, our contracted attorney. It was moved by Vicki and seconded by Margaret to approve. Motion carried.
- Carol presented the FY11 Annual Report and briefly reported that in total 2,765 unduplicated Livingston County residents were served, 144 more than the previous year. The annual report also gives a synopsis of each agency and what significantly happened in FY11. A deficit is shown in the report due to the fact that DHS FY11 checks were received in the new fiscal year, FY12. Carol pointed out the pie chart on page 18. The acronyms were updated as well. It was moved by Steve and seconded by Vicki to approve the FY11 708/377 Board Annual Report. Motion carried.

#### **Agency Comments:**

##### **Futures Unlimited:**

- Karen Donovan, Futures reported in Brian's absence. She reported that a client that has been private pay has now run out of money as of November. The state owes Futures Unlimited for back services but only want to start paying from February services and up to current. The Institute for Public Policy has taken this issue on.
- The awards reception will be held on Wednesday, May 16<sup>th</sup>. It will start at 5:15 and last about an hour. They will have a new award this year called "Good Neighbor" award.
- Futures is hoping to receive the new bus this month. The 708 Board helped fund this bus.
- Joe commented on the fact that he is on the Q & A committee for Futures Unlimited and received a tour of the Mary Beth Taylor Learning Center. Joe was very impressed with the facility. There are 13 clients at this location and it is well run.

##### **Institute for Human Resources:**

- Joe met with Michelle McVay who oversees a lot of the physician offices in the eastern end of the county. Joe will have Sherry Brendalen working an additional 4 hours in the Chatsworth area. Things are running smoothly.
- Operation Snowflake is this Saturday. They are hoping to have 200 children in attendance. Tiffany was on the local radio this morning promoting the event.
- Joe honestly does not know about the FY13 budget cuts. The PSR program could experience major cuts. Legislators will go back in session on Monday.
- Joe will meet with the judges in the next week or two to discuss Mental Health Court.

##### **ADV/SAS:**

- Margee reported that this is Sexual Assault Awareness month. Teal and purple pansies will represent this awareness around town.
- The FY13 budget could be cut anywhere from 10% - 50%.
- Margee spoke of a group called North Central Illinois Imagines. Futures Unlimited and Streator Unlimited are members. This group is to educate developmentally disabled individuals on prevention of sexual assault. They have applied for two grants and did get them both.

**Mosaic:**

- Chris commented on Carol's comment regarding the ISC agencies in Illinois. She stated that Mosaic has dealt with many PAS agencies across the state and none are the same as Livingston County. She feels Mosaic is truly blessed with the service they receive from this PAS agency.
- Chris reported on a client who used to live at Jacksonville Developmental Center and now resides in a Mosaic CILA home has been speaking out about his life in the community versus living in a state operated facility. He has made the news in Jacksonville and has been interviewed by WCIA out of Champaign. Joe has been asked to participate in a video produced by the ARC of Illinois. The focus of the video will be to feature past residents of Jacksonville that now live in the community and are enjoying it. This video will also be given to legislators to view. Also parents of residents still in the state op will have the chance to view the positive sides of living in the community. Joe does not know it yet but he will be presented an advocacy award at the ARC conference on April 25<sup>th</sup>.
- Mosaic is having a job fair next Wednesday evening.
- Chris has had the opportunity to meet with Derrick Dufrene a couple of times and discuss the individuals who will be moving out of the Jacksonville state op. He is one of the leaders putting together the plans for these individuals so as to make it successfully work for each individual. Services will be built around the individual and where his or her family is located.

It was moved by Laura and seconded by Steve to adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Leslie, Secretary