

Livingston County Mental Health Board 708 Board Meeting Minutes

July 19, 2012

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

377 Board Present: Bob McCarty and Vicki Day

Public Health Committee: Joe Steichen

Staff Present: Carol Flessner and Janice Golliday

Guests: Brian Blossom, Futures Unlimited; Joe Vaughan, IHR; and Margee Morrison, ADV/SAS

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

It was moved by Margaret and seconded by Steve to approve the June, 708 Board minutes. Motion carried.

It was moved by Vicki and seconded by Margaret to approve the June, 708 check listing. Motion carried.

It was moved by Steve and seconded by Margaret to approve the June, 708 Board financial statements. Motion carried.

Executive Director Report:

- Carol reported that the Livingston County Children Network (LCCN) group met with the Illinois Children's Health Foundation consultants last week. A review of the data collected was discussed. There have been a lot of positive screenings of children, more than they anticipated. Carol believes funding will need to be "bumped up" in the FY2013 Budget to accommodate services. Joe said out-patient staff are seeing as many as they can throughout the county. Amy Fischer, a full-time therapist, is seeing as many children as she can across the county. Her salary is being paid out of the LCCN grant money. Also, part of Amy Duffy's salary is paid by the LCCN grant money. IHR has seen 2009 unduplicated clients in the last year with 3 less staff. Productivity has obviously increased.
- Carol and Joe Vaughan attended the Regional Behavioral Mental Health Network meeting yesterday in Peoria. This network is being formed in the central Region 3 of the state. Legislation passed to form regional behavioral health networks to in rural area. Many rural hospitals have no one to call or send mentally ill people who show up in their ER rooms. The Illinois Hospital Association is heading up this project. The next meeting will be held in Galesburg, in the next couple of weeks, and the next one will be in Danville. Joe was very pleased with the meeting. Some rural hospitals do not have a mental health agency, like IHR, in their area to call when there is a mental health crisis at their facility.
- There was a power outage in our building yesterday. This brought to mind that the Mental Health Board has an agreement with the Sheriff's Department for temporary use of office space at their facility in the event of a disaster at the H & E Building. Sheriff Meredith stopped in to speak with Carol today and told her that they have identified space in their facility for us to use and they would provide communication for us.

- The Local Funds initiative is being worked on by Mental Health and IHR staff hope that they can expand on this as they go.
- The county has brought the topic up of all departments using the time clock. Carol does not feel it is feasible for our situation. It will make for a lot more paperwork. Staff that are social workers do not always come into the office on a daily basis. They work in the field and are in and out for staffings. Vicki suggested that allowing Amy access to the county system would enable her to enter any information that is needed.

Old Business:

- The FY13 Budget has a 1% increase on our DHS contracts. The youth commission received a hard hit with the governor eliminating the DCFS FCS and FLEX programs. The governor's plans to use the money that is in correctional centers' budgets that he has pegged to close, will reinstate some DCFS programs.

New Business:

- Caro read the current slate of officers for the 708 Board. It was moved by Vicki and seconded by Steve to retain the current officers for the 708 Board. Motion carried.
 Jack Vietti – President
 Ed Legner – Vice-President
 Margaret Brunskill – Treasurer
 Laura Leslie – Secretary

Agency Comments:

Futures Unlimited:

- Brian reported that the state paid Futures Unlimited \$90,000 for June services this week. It came in the nick of time.
- Futures Unlimited has approved Brian to switching the bank accounts to a local bank.
- The Prairie View Lane CILA home is empty at the present time. Futures will reopen it when they have at least 3 individuals to reside there with award letters. The staff from the Prairie View Lane location will work in open positions that have become available.
- Lana Brown has traveled out to Tucson, Arizona for the CARF surveyor training. She will be Futures second CARF surveyor.

Institute for Human Resources:

- Joe reported they are looking at a 10% in their grant funds for FY2013. This will be the fourth year in a row of budget cuts. They have to spend some of their reserves. They will be buying a new bus which will hold 14 passengers and are selling the two older buses. IHR has had to spend too much money for repairs on the two older buses.
- Sherry Brendalen is out at OSF in Chatsworth and IHR has extended her hours there for the summer.
- They are staying very busy at the county jail. Counselors commented it is like a "miniature psych ward". They are so many incarcerated there with mental illness. There have been a few DD clients out there as well.
- Dr. Damera will be leaving the end of August. Beth Robert is seeing many of these clients now that she is a nurse practitioner and clients are happy with her.

ADV/SAS:

- Margee announced that this past month they celebrated several staff anniversaries.
- ADV/SAS is still very involved with the Illinois Imagine group that includes LaSalle-Peru, Pontiac, Ottawa and Streator. This group provides services for DD victims of domestic violence and/or sexual assault.

Mosaic:

- Not present.

It was moved by Paul and seconded by Laura to go into executive session for personnel reasons. Motion carried.

No action was taken in executive session.

It was moved by Vicki and seconded by Laura to come out of executive session. Motion carried.

It was moved by Vicki seconded by Margaret to adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Leslie, Secretary