

**Livingston County Mental Health Board**  
**708 Board Meeting Minutes**  
**Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic the Open Meetings Act**  
**was modified to include**  
**Conference Call Meetings as Acceptable**

**September 17, 2020 @ 4:00p.m. by Telephone/In-Person Conference**

**708 Board Present:** Jack Vietti, Ed Legner, Rose Smith and Lynette Barnett (by phone)

**708 Board Absent:** Debbie Studnicki

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

**377 Board Absent:** Mary Etta Mullen

**Livingston County Board Members:** Jack Vietti

**Staff Present:** Chris Myers and Amy Zick

**Guests:** Joe Vaughan, IHR; Patty Haberkorn, Futures Unlimited; Megan DeMoss, OSF; Gary Beier, Dwight Police Dept., and Deb Moran,

The 708 Board meeting was called to order by President Jack Vietti. Jack introduced Gary Beier and Deb Moran who are both interested in serving as board members on the 708 Board. Others in attendance introduced themselves to the prospective new board members.

It was moved by Ed Legner and seconded by Jack Vietti to approve the August 20th, 708 Board minutes. Motion carried.

It was moved by Ed Legner and seconded by Jack Vietti to approve the August, 708 Board check listing. Motion carried.

The 708 financials were discussed. It was noted Operation Snowball had a virtual meeting in the spring. For the fall, it will be virtual, but items will be distributed to the children via a drive through. Gary is helping in Dwight with the drive through and training for staff. Vicki and Amy had a discussion on the Income and Expense by program report and what it represents. It was moved by Rose Smith and seconded by Ed Legner to approve the 708 Board August 2020 financial statements. Motion carried.

**Executive Director Report:**

- Chris Myers reported Harvest Days in Dwight has been cancelled. The “Hidden in Plain View” trailer that depicts a youth’s bedroom has been rescheduled for the 2021 Harvest Days event.
- IHR monitoring went smoothly. The month of May was reviewed.
- Based on an IHR referral, 708 funded two nights at the Fiesta Motel for an individual.
- Vicki will discuss Jesse’s ride PTSD fundraiser later in the meeting.
- All paperwork is complete for the new building. Staging will be the week of the 21<sup>st</sup>. Parking will be in the back of the building.
- There will be no GEM Conference this fall. The 377 Board usually contributes \$500.

**Old Business:**

- None.

**New Business:**

- It was moved by Rose Smith and seconded by Ed Legner to nominate Gary Beier to fill the remainder of Jane Anderson’s term and Debbie Moran to fill the remainder of Mark Donovan’s

term. Motion carried. Both nominated 708 members will be recommended to the County Election committee in October and if approved there they will be recommended to the full County Board. Since the full County Board will meet after our October meeting, the two new members will not be able to vote until the November meeting.

- The remaining agency fund balances were discussed. Futures Unlimited has some requests pending such as the 50K parking lot for 708. Rose suggested Chris reach out to the providers with excess funds to provide a wish list of items. It was also suggested that the Boards could assist with funding of staff training and mental health first aid. No vote deemed necessary.
- The board reviewed the new monitoring tool. The checklist was updated for two items. Two redundant line items were combined in regards to service plan with measurable goals. A new line was added for the payer to declare if insurance, Medicaid, Medicare or uninsured. A new Agency Inquiry form was developed to provide more information regarding quality assurance and consumer satisfaction. No vote deemed necessary.

**Agency Comments:**

**Safe Journeys:**

- Not present.

**Institute for Human Resources:**

- Joe reported there is a new drug court graduate, a young lady with a young child. She was in the program for six months.
- A Suicide Awareness Campaign is a 2021 goal.

**Futures Unlimited:**

- Patty reported Futures Unlimited passed a virtual survey. The 377 funded I-pads in the homes were used for the survey to give virtual tours. Futures Unlimited reopened on September 1<sup>st</sup> and is going well. The individuals are happy to be back. Right now, about 17-18% if the population is back. The goal is to get up to 37%+ people back. This reduction will impact the budget and critical decisions are to be made. The Division has no more "reinvention" funding. The language has changed, no more instruction that they must maintain staff. The funding for virtual programs is \$5.46 per hour per person. Billing is possible for at home day services. CILA has a bunch of night shifts open. Production is busy for SeedBallz.

**OSF:**

- Megan and Chris are working together on a new initiative for first responders. Residents can have on file with the telecom service if there is mental illness, DD, autism, wheelchair use, oxygen use, and other important health information. It will come across on the screen in writing, not the radio, for the first responders to know pertinent information when responding to calls. They are in the process of scheduling a meeting with Police, Sheriff, VCom, 911, and ETSB to discuss this program.

Vicki Day handed out fliers on Jesse's Ride which is scheduled for Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup>. It includes a poker run, Honor Guard, band, vendors, breakfast, lunch, raffles, and a silent auction. All proceeds go to PTSD and Veterans groups. It will be held at the First Lutheran Church here in Pontiac.

It was moved by Ed Legner and seconded by Rose Smith to adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Rose Smith, Secretary