

**Livingston County Mental Health Board  
708 Board Meeting *Revised* Minutes**

**January 19, 2012**

**708 Board Present:** Jack Vietti, Laura Leslie, Vicki Day and Steve Tock

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

**Public Health Committee:** Joe Steichen and Judy Campbell

**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

President Jack Vietti called the 708 Board meeting to order.

It was moved by Laura and seconded by Steve to approve the December 15th minutes. Motion carried.

It was moved by Vicki and seconded by Steve to approve the December check listing. Motion carried.

It was moved by Laura and seconded by Vicki to approve the December financial statements. Motion carried.

**Executive Director Report:**

- Carol expressed to the board how satisfied she has been with the new copier.
- Carol met with Dennis Crowley and Alex Campbell regarding the Local Funds Initiative/Medicaid Match. DHS had been rejecting some billings but they have worked things out with DHS for 2012. There is no limit on Medicaid billing.
- Carol also discussed the Needs Assessment Tool with Alex and Dennis. An assessment should be done at least every 10 years. The tool is web-based, however there are many clients that do not have access to computer so in those cases the assessment will be done by pen & paper. The goal is to have the assessment complete by June 1<sup>st</sup>.
- An Independent Service Coordination (ISC) meeting was held last week in Lincoln. Carol reported they discussed the Medicaid Waiver for the developmentally disabled. It has to be renewed with the State of IL and the Federal government. The state contemplated putting Independent Service Coordination under Managed Care. They are very adamant to stay independent. The state has backed off on that

### **Old Business:**

- LCCN will hold a press conference at the LCCCY meeting on Monday. They are in the first phase. Mandy is the family support specialist. She meets with families and conducts an assessment and then will make a plan. Judge Bauknecht is very excited about this new program.
- Carol does not have anything positive to report on Recovery Court. Everyone is on board but the States Attorney. Joe Vaughan was very instrumental in the writing of the Policies and Procedures with assistance from the committee. Carol is not giving up on this worthwhile program. Carol will suggest to Tom Brown that someone from his office should attend the Mental Health Court conference that will be held this April.

### **New Business:**

- Carol spoke with Brian McSherry regarding the Mental Health Board's liability coverage. We are covered by the county liability policy. Mandy slipped and fell on cement steps at the H & E Building last week. The steps were ice and snow covered. Carol spoke with maintenance about the incident. Accident and witness reports were filled out and copies were sent to Linda Daniels, Human Resource Specialist for the county. Carol is also concerned if the liability insurance covers clients that the case workers transport to various locations. Carol will work out an internal policy with the case workers and bring back to the board for approval.
- The Association of Community Mental Health Authorities of Illinois (ACMHAI) will hold their spring conference this April 18-19<sup>th</sup>. Any board member and a guest may attend the conference. Please contact Carol if interested in attending and she will reserve rooms at the Hilton in Springfield and provide a registration form to them. **The April 708/377 Board meeting will be held a week earlier on April 12<sup>th</sup> due to the ACMHAI Spring Conference.**
- In the past the Mental Health Board has only paid dues for the Arc of Illinois but the National Arc is requesting dues be paid to belong. The dues would be around \$2,000 per year. Carol feels it is well worth it for the educational opportunities and speakers that are offered throughout the year. Carol is suggesting that the board try it. It was moved by Steve and seconded by Laura to pay the National Arc dues for this year. Motion carried.

### **Agency Comments:**

#### **Futures Unlimited:**

- Karen Donovan reported that Nathan is doing very well in Rotary. It is important to have inclusion in the community.

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

- Joe reported that the agreement with the 708 Board for FY2012 was signed yesterday. Joe met with Dr. Stevens and Jenny Steffens in December about the program over there with a counselor. They continue to be pleased with the progress and will continue for part of the summer. 708 Board helps fund crisis situations that IHR helps handle such as the Emington crisis and also the Public Health nurse that was killed in a car accident. Mark Wickman and Amy Duffy head these crisis services.

**ADV/SAS:**

- Margee reported that the two associations that they belong to are reporting that the governor is wanting to cut their programs anywhere from 10-50%. The Sexual Assault Association stated that they cannot take a 50% cut. There was talk of cutting satellite offices. That does not make sense. Now they have decided cutting satellite offices would not be good. The cut will be just 10% across the board out of the general fund. Now they will wait and see what the governor decides.

**Mosaic:**

- Chris reported that the governor announced today that Tinley Park and Jacksonville Developmental Center will be closed by the end of September. It has been made known that the people making the assessments will be independent and not state employees. These people will help decide on placements of the individuals moving out of the state facilities.
- Chris attended and Institute on Public Policy meeting last week. Tony Record, the court monitor for Ligas was in attendance. He relayed that the same kind of transition plan will be used for the Ligas individuals and the individuals moving out of state facilities. Illinois will be held responsible to the transition plan or be in contempt of court.
- Mosaic's local agency has a new direct support staff class started. There are 8 new staff and will be hiring a few more. They have an individual visiting from Jacksonville right now.
- They are discharging an individual to a nursing facility due to health reasons. Another individual is in a nursing facility right now for rehab after hip surgery. However, she is aging and may decide to stay in the nursing facility instead of going back to Mosaic.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Leslie, Secretary