

Jo Daviess Community Mental Health 708 Board

Minutes

May 7, 2014

5:30 P.M.

FHN Family Counseling Center

Members Present: Fran Peterson, Nicki Raaz, Peg Murphy, Angela Birdsall and Elaine Townsend

Absent: Ben Andersen and Randy Jobgen

Agencies Present: Jo Daviess Workshop, Inc. by Mike Bielenda; FHN Family Counseling Center by Rick Walters; Rainbow Ridge/Kreider Services, Inc. by Brian Gephart.; Riverview Center by Faye Clark and Tylers Justice by Jackie Martin.

Guests: Leslie Hawley

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm. Quorum Established.

II. Minutes

A motion to approve minutes of the March 5, 2014 meeting was made by Peg Murphy and seconded by Angie Birdsall, motion carried.

III. Correspondence

- Forensic training offer declined
- McHenry County Mental Health Board annual report

IV. President's Report

- Updated website to include agenda and minutes from special sessions
- Attended meeting on parliamentary procedures hosted by Jo Daviess County Board.
- Grant applications are due on July 9, send electronically to 708 board members and the County Administrator's Office.
- Committee meeting on July 16 to review grant requests and establish FY15 budget

V. Treasurer's Report

Accepted as presented.

VI. ACMHAI Committee Reports

A. ACMHAI General Info - Nicki provided information to ACMHAI for mental health 708 Board survey.

B. Membership Committee - Nothing to report.

C. DD Committee - Angie reported that there is a meeting in June in Champaign with Tony Ruckerts regarding the Ligas class action law suit. Trying to arrange more meetings with the head of DHS.

D. Medicaid and IDPH - Behavior Health Committee – Peg Murphy reported that Illinois Republic Health Association is trying to get more data on mental health and are in need of representatives from 708 Mental Health Boards.

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VII Old Business

- A. **Agency Financial Reporting** – Fran reported that she did receive financial reporting from all of the agencies except Tyler's Justice Center for this month's meeting. What the board is looking for is the numbers of individuals served with the agency for the quarter (year to date can be included) that are strictly from Jo Daviess County along with income and expenses that have been provided within Jo Daviess County.
- B. **Needs Assessment Update** - Peg Murphy reported that the committee is in the process of trying to figure out how they can collect data on the number of clients that are served and the types of services provided. Nicki encouraged the representatives of the agencies to attend the needs assessment meeting immediately following this meeting.
- C. **Report on Contract** - Nicki discussed that most 708 boards have contracts with agencies receiving grant money. Nicki reported that there is now an issue of accountability to Jo Daviess County Board and taxpayers for money given to the agencies. Dan Reimer, County Administrator, has reviewed a draft contract and sent to State's Attorney Hay for review. The committee is also looking at revising the grant application to reflect the contract language to make sure that the funding meets the standards for Medicaid supplementation. This item will be placed under new business for the August committee meeting for approval of the application and contract.

VIII New Business

- A. **Election of Officers - Fran Peterson made a motion to elect Nicki Raaz for President, Elaine Townsend for Vice President and Angie Birdsall for Secretary/Treasurer. Seconded by Peg Murphy and motion passed.**
- B. **Approve recommendation of appointment of Leslie Hawley to 708 Mental Health Board - Fran Peterson made a motion to recommend to the County Board Leslie Hawley as 708 Board member. Seconded by Angie Birdsall and motion passed.**
- C. **Revisions of guidelines for grant requests** - Nicki supplied a draft version of the guidelines for grant requests. Included is a schedule of dollars for grant with narrative to support the requested funds. Included in the narrative is the use of previous 708 grant funds, description of the program, fundraising activities for the year, and cooperative efforts in Jo Daviess County. **Elaine Townsend made a motion to adopt the new grant request as presented. Seconded by Peg Murphy and motion passed.**

IX Agency Reports:

- A. **FHN Family Counseling Center** – Rick Walters reported that the FHN overall referrals has increased 40% in the last quarter. Walters reported that the bowling for kids sake fundraiser was very successful. FHN is starting a new program called beyond words pet program that will be slated in Stephenson County at the Freeport Hospital.
- B. **Rainbow Ridge/Kreider Services, Inc** – Brian Gephart reported that there are three openings in the Stockton facility. Gephart reported that a financial concern is on

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employee health insurance costs and the increased amount of individuals being added to the policy.

C. Riverview Center, Inc – Faye Clark, Executive Director of Riverview, reported that she has been in the position for 2 months now and they are working on implementation of regionalization in Iowa. Clark reported that they have received a grant from the State of Iowa which has allowed them to continue their efforts in staff training.

D. Sojourn House – No representation for this meeting.

E. The Workshop - Mike Bielenda reported that they had a developmental training audit by the Department of Human Services and they received 100%. There have been four people placed in jobs in the community. There will be four new transitions students in September from Stockton High School. Bielenda reported that they are looking at having the cookbook available by September. There will be the annual golf outing on June 5th at the Galena Golf Course.

F. Tyler Justice Center – Jackie Martin reported that Tyler's will be up for reaccreditation on May 22nd by National Children's Alliance out of Washington DC, which makes sure that they are following the standards for responding appropriately and effectively to child abuse. Working on a fundraiser for 2015. Martin reported that clients are down about 20% this fiscal year. Tyler's is working with Riverview and law enforcement agencies to make sure that the community is aware of their services.

X. **Comments from the Public** – None

XI. **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned on a **motion by Elaine Townsend second by Peg Murphy.**

Meeting adjourned at 6:31 pm.

Next meeting will be August 6, 2014 at 5:30pm at Jo Daviess County Courthouse Board Room.