

Jo Daviess Community Mental Health 708 Board
Minutes
March 5, 2014
5:30 P.M.
County Board Room: JDC Courthouse

Members Present: Randy Jobgen, Nicki Raaz, Peg Murphy, Angela Birdsall

Absent: Ben Andersen, Fran Peterson, Elaine Townsend

Agencies Present: Jo Daviess Workshop, Inc. by Mike Bielenda; FHN Family Counseling Center by Jennifer Aurand & Rick Walters; Rainbow Ridge/Kreider Services, Inc. by Brian Gephart.; Sojourn House by Dave Munson

Guests: None

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 November 6, 2013 meeting with corrections was made by Peg Murphy and seconded by Randy Jobgen, Motion carried.

III. Correspondence

- **ACMHAI Letter** – encouraging continued ACMHAI membership. No action taken as the JDC 708 ACMHAI membership is a budget item approved for 2014.
- **Legislative Committee of Jo Daviess County Board** – holding an informational meeting on Parliamentary Procedure, March 6 from 5-9pm at the Court House.
- **League of Women Voters** – sponsoring an informational meeting on Illinois Fiscal Problems at Highland Community College on March 13, 2014, 3:30pm in Elizabeth and 7:00pm in Freeport.
- **Phone call from Du Page County** regarding an individual interested in leaving property in an estate to an organization that would develop the property for recreational purposes for developmentally disabled individuals in Jo Daviess County.

IV. President's Report

- Meeting to fit into one hour timeframe. Needs assessment meeting will follow quarterly meeting, also to be one hour.
- Website has all the information necessary from agencies and looks very good.
- ACMHAI has asked member 708s to complete the Behavioral Health Triennial survey. Nicki and Fran will meet to complete the survey on March 6, 2014.
- Board Members need to complete their statements of Economic Interest. If you have not completed, please do so. Reports are due by May 1, 2014
- Elaine and Nicki have not had a chance to meet to study contracts with agencies.

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V **Treasurer's Report** – Motion to approve Treasurers Report by Randy, second by Peg. Motion carried.

VI **ACMHAI Committee Reports**

1. **ACMHAI Annual meeting December 5-6 2013 Report:** Nicki gave report of this 2-day meeting. The workshop focused on Developmental Disabilities and included a briefing on the work to develop the 1115 Waiver. It is not yet clear how the combined waiver will affect Mental Health. Kevin Casey, DHS Director for Developmental Disabilities was guest speaker on Friday. The ACMHAI business meeting was also held on Friday.
2. **Membership Committee:** - Next NW Regional Meeting of ACMHAI will be in Whiteside County in June or August 2014. Statewide Meeting of ACMHAI will be held July 17 – 18, 2014 at Eagle Ridge in Galena. Trial memberships are being offered in an effort to obtain more members in rural areas.
3. **DD Committee:** Angie reported that the meeting was not lengthy and briefly discussed the Waiver and the ACMHAI summary on this subject.
4. **Medicaid Committee** – no report.
5. **IDPH Committee** – Peg gave a brief report.

VII **Old Business**

Needs Assessment Report – Progressing and planning the data gathering process. The Agency data needed therefore is really specific. The real concern is identifying the gaps in services. The meetings will be held immediately after quarterly meetings. Agencies are welcome to attend.

VIII **New Business**

- FOIA – Open Meetings Certificates necessary for all Board Members, and all have been certified. Elaine Townsend will be the Board Designee and as such will need to take the certification on a yearly basis.
- Develop Slate of Officers for Election at May Meeting – Fran will be stepping down as secretary/treasurer. Nicki will continue as President, Elaine will continue as Vice President, and Angie has agreed to move into the Secretary/Treasurer position. Motion by Angie with second by Randy to accept the slate of officers to be put on the agenda for election at the May 2014 meeting. Motion carried
- Agency Financial Reports: The agencies were thanked for preparing their reports, and were asked to send reports electronically to the board members about a week ahead of the meeting so that the reports can be properly scrutinized by the members before the actual meeting. Fran will send feedback on the reports after her review.
- Updated Meeting Schedule: Location of May meeting changed from the County Courthouse to the FHN Family Counseling Service Office, 300 Summit, Galena, IL.

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IX Agency Reports:

- **FHN Family Counseling Center** – Introduction of Rick Walters, Operations Leader. Introduced newspaper article on rollout of Obamacare as it pertains to issues in rural areas. Only 300 signed up so far. Educating people on ACA informally. They are working on the medical record process in the area of efficiency. Also are working with Midwest Medical Center on moving offices. The rumor about FHN counseling being bought out is false. FHN media person is going to do a monthly article in the Galena Gazette.
- **The Workshop** - This has been the most difficult 3 months due to weather. They are continuing to look for work preferably large consistent contracts and are looking for referrals as well. The Feb. 11 Culvers Fund Raiser experienced moderate success. The Annual Workshop Golf Outing is June 5 at the Galena Golf Club with dinner. Additionally, they are putting together a cookbook and will send out letters soon.
- **Rainbow Ridge/Kreider Services, Inc** – ICF-DD in Stockton has 3 open beds, \$9000 loss/month. March is DD Awareness month and they are brining in a guest speaker on March 27.
- **Riverview Center, Inc** – not present.
- **Sojourn House** – They are not getting paid on time. Medicaid paid through November, 2013. \$179,000 owed to Sojourn by the State of Illinois. Looking at a flea market in Cedarville as a fund raiser. Have offer on donated house. They have also received a letter from an individual in Florida who is setting up a yearly endowment. No details yet but the estimate this year is \$2700 Revising half-way house program which will be curriculum driven.
- **Tyler Justice Center** – not present.

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

XI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned on a **motion by Randy second by Peg. Meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm.**

- **Next meeting will be May 7, 2014 at 5:30pm at FHN Family Counseling Service Office, 300 Summit, Galena, IL.**