

DEKALB COUNTY COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH BOARD

MINUTES OF MEETING

April 20, 2015

Approved

Board Members Present: Chuck Rose, Dick Schluter, Merlin Wessels, Dianne Leifheit,
Jane Olson, Andi Andree, Thomas Kirts

Board Members - Absent: Marilyn Stromborg
Other Persons Present: Tara Culotta
Office Staff Present: Deanna Cada, Kathy Ostidick

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by the President, Charles Rose, at 6:00 PM.

2. AGENDA

Mr. Wessels moved to approve the agenda; seconded by Dr. Kirts. The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

3. MINUTES

Ms. Olson moved to approve the minutes of the March 16, 2015 Board meeting; seconded by Ms. Leifheit. The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

4. INTRODUCTIONS

Introductions were made.

5. AGENCY 3-YEAR PRESENTATION – ELDER CARE SERVICES

The Elder Care Services 3-Year presentation was given by Tara Culotta, Executive Director.

6. COMMUNITY INPUT

Nothing to report.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nothing to report.

8. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ms. Cada reported that the Ben Gordon Center is developing a system-wide approach to suicide prevention. This is very similar to what the Family Service Agency is doing with child abuse. BGC is looking at suicide prevention in terms of a system response and the CMHB has been invited to participate with that system.

Ms. Cada said that she is very appreciative for involvement with ACMHAI which has been hugely helpful in gathering information on Medicaid supplementation.

Ms. Cada confirmed that the Board Retreat will be held on July 17, 2015 at the Community Foundation Freight Room from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm.

Ms. Ostdick gave a brief description of the monthly financial report which is included in the Board Member binders. This report is distributed by the County.

9. FINANCE REPORTS

Mr. Schluter moved to approve the April 2015 agency claims in the amount of \$139,294.67; seconded by Dr. Kirts. The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

Mr. Schluter moved to approve the April 2015 office claims in the amount of \$1,607.95; seconded by Dr. Kirts. The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

10. OLD BUSINESS

A. Policy review – Ad Hoc Committee recommendations

Policies and procedures were discussed. Board members will review changes and review next month. By-law changes were distributed for review in May.

B. CMHB financial documentation request from BGC

Mr. Schluter reported that the CMHB has not received requested information from the Ben Gordon Center to date.

11. NEW BUSINESS

A. Agency request:

Ben Gordon Center – The Board discussed the Ben Gordon Center financial request dated 2/20/15.

Mr. Wessels moved to deny the 2/20/15 Ben Gordon Center request due to lack of information requested; seconded by Mr. Rose. The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

Family Service Agency – The Board discussed the Family Service Agency financial request dated 4/1/15.

Mr. Schluter moved to approve the 4/1/15 request from the Family Service Agency for up to an additional \$36,000 for GY16; seconded by Ms. Andree. The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

B. GY16 Grant review and timeline

Ms. Cada reviewed the timeline for the remainder of the grant process.

C. Agency contracts – Ad Hoc committee

The Contract Ad Hoc Committee will be meeting on 5/4/15 at 5:30 pm.

D. Open Board seat recommendations

Two Board candidates were discussed.

Ms. Leifheit moved to recommend Jerry Helland from Genoa to the County Board for appointment to the Mental Health Board; seconded by Ms. Olson. The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

E. Disaster assistance

Ms. Cada reported on CMHB involvement with the Fairdale disaster. Ms. Cada has kept the Executive Committee informed as assistance has progressed. Ms. Cada has been invited by the County Board to join a group effort called the Long Term Recovery Process. This taskforce will be modeled after the Peoria County tornado in Washington, IL. Ms. Cada has been nominated to participate on a sub-committee to address mental health. Ms. Cada reported that the Family Service Agency, the DeKalb County Youth Service Bureau, and Elder Care Services have been great at offering their services, being on stand-by, and offering to go where they are needed.

Mr. Wessels asked about the mental health portion of the County Emergency plan. Ms. Cada responded by saying that our office had been discussing this topic and had planned to review the plan. Every two years, all county departments are asked by Denny Miller, Emergency Coordinator, to review and make changes as necessary to their portion of the plan. He will be asking for that to be done this summer. Ms. Cada has also discussed this with Jane Lux, Health Department Administrator.

12. ADJOURNMENT - Next Board meeting date: 5/18/15

The meeting was adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles G. Rose, President

Kathy Ostdick, Recording Secretary