

DEKALB COUNTY COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH BOARD
MINUTES OF MEETING
January 25, 2021

Approved

Board Members Virtually Present: Jane Smith, Marilyn Stromborg, Perry Maier, Sue Plote, Meghan Cook, Robert Cook, Jennie Geltz

Board Members - Absent: Laurie Emmer, Jerald Helland

Other Persons Present: Vinh Lee, Intern

Office Staff Present: Deanna Cada

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by the President, Jane Smith, at 6:37 PM.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Ms. Smith led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Agenda

Mr. Cook moved to approve the agenda; seconded by Ms. Cook. The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

4. Minutes

Dr. Stromborg moved to approve the minutes of the 12/15/20 Board meeting; seconded by Mr. Cook. The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

5. Announcements

Ms. Cada announced that the new DCNP Intern is Vinh Lee. Mr. Lee introduced himself to the Board.

6. Director's Report

Ms. Cada reported that she will be meeting with Gary Hanson, Interim County Administrator, on February 3, 2021 to talk about educating Brian Gregory, the new County Administrator about the DeKalb County Community Mental Health Board.

Ms. Cada reported that Dan Kenny will be retiring from DeKalb County Community Gardens at the end of the year. Heather Edwards has been named the new Director.

Ms. Cada reported that ACMHAI is reviewing the new legislation that passed the House and Senate relating to Mental Health/Law Enforcement partnerships. The law is waiting on the Governor signature. Ms. Cada will keep the Board posted on the legislation.

Ms. Cada met with an NIU Student about the Active Minds group at NIU; a group that works with behavioral healthcare issues at the college level. Ms. Cada asked for a Board volunteer to assist with a presentation to Active Minds on Monday, February 1, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

Ms. Cada provided an updated on the work of the DeKalb County Covid Response Fund team, including funding for behavioral workforce capacity for local agencies.

7. Community Input

There was no community input.

8. Finance Reports

Mr. Cook moved to approve November 2020 agency claims in the amount of \$196,819.40; seconded by Mr. Maier. The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote as follows: Ms. Cook – yes, Mr. Cook – yes, Ms. Geltz – yes, Mr. Maier – yes, Ms. Plote – yes, Dr. Stromborg – yes, Ms. Smith – yes.

Ms. Cook moved to approve the November 2020 office claims in the amount of \$11,719.14; seconded by Ms. Plote. The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote as follows: Ms. Cook – yes, Mr. Cook – yes, Ms. Geltz – yes, Mr. Maier – yes, Ms. Plote – yes, Dr. Stromborg – yes, Ms. Smith – yes.

9. Executive Committee

A. County Archive Project – Ms. Cada informed the Board that she met with Michelle Donahoe, County Archivist, who will be collecting government information and organizing information both physical and digital organization. Ms. Cada will be working with them and Executive Committee about what to prioritize to be archived.

10. Finance Committee

A. Agency Requests

VAC – Reallocation Request – A reallocation request to utilize \$22,500.00 for the rest of Grant Year 2021 including funding for outreach, increased rural transit, and contracting for transportation with partner agencies.

Ms. Cook moved to approve Grant Year 2021 reallocation of funds for the Voluntary Action Center; seconded by Mr. Cook. The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote as follows: Ms. Cook – yes, Mr. Cook – yes, Ms. Geltz – yes, Mr. Maier – yes, Ms. Plote – yes, Dr. Stromborg – yes, Ms. Smith – yes.

Penguin Players – Reallocation Request – A reallocation request to utilize Grant Year 2021 funding to pay stipends to NIU students to run a virtual camp for

Ms. Smith moved to approve Grant Year 2021 reallocation of funds for Penguin Players; seconded by Ms. Plote. The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote as follows: Ms. Cook – yes, Mr. Cook – yes, Ms. Geltz – yes, Mr. Maier – yes, Ms. Plote – yes, Dr. Stromborg – yes, Ms. Smith – yes.

ROE – New Funding Request for a support programming for families and students, including online workshops and working with local agencies. The ROE provided a report regarding prior funding.

Ms. Smith moved to give the Regional Office of Education \$34,457.00 for programing for parents and students throughout DeKalb County; seconded by Ms. Plote. The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote as follows: Ms. Cook – yes, Mr. Cook – yes, Ms. Geltz – yes, Mr. Maier – yes, Ms. Plote – yes, Dr. Stromborg – yes, Ms. Smith – yes.

11. Impact (Outcomes) Committee

The Impact Committee did not meet.

12. Suicide Programming Ad Hoc Committee

The Suicide Programming Ad Hoc Committee will meet on 1/27/21 at 6:00 p.m.

13. DEI Ad Hoc Committee

The next meeting is 1/28/21 at 6:00 p.m. New community members will be joining that committee.

14. Old Business

A. GY2022 Grant Application and Process – Ms. Cada shared the timeline for informational purposes.

B. One Year and Three-Year Plan Updates

- I. For the 0 to 7 Priority – Ms. Cada reached out to Professor Courtney Hughes to get a timeline for release of the study. Professor Hughes hopes to hear from the publisher soon.

- II. Law Enforcement Crisis Intervention Team Training/40-hour training
Ms. Cada briefly informed the Board of the scheduled training. Twenty-five officers are in attendance representing six departments. The feedback has been very positive.

15. New Business

There was no new business.

16. Adjournment

Next meeting February 22, 2021 at 6:30.

Dr. Stromborg moved to adjourn at 7:15 pm; seconded by Ms. Smith. The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote as follows: Ms. Cook – yes, Mr. Cook – yes, Ms. Geltz – yes, Mr. Maier – yes, Ms. Plote – yes, Dr. Stromborg – yes, Ms. Smith – yes

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Smith, Board President

Deanna Cada, Recording Secretary