

**DEKALB COUNTY COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH BOARD**  
**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**  
**MINUTES OF MEETING**

**April 02, 2024**

**APPROVED**

**Committee Members Present:** Meghan Cook, Perry Maier,

**Committee Members Not Present:** Jane Smith

**Staff Present:** Deanna Cada, Heaven Allen

**Other Persons Present:** Marilyn Stromborg (via Zoom)

**1. Call to Order**

Ms. Cook called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

**2. Agenda**

*Mr. Maier moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Ms. Cook. The motion passed unanimously.*

**3. Approval of Minutes**

*Mr. Maier moved to approve the minutes of the 03/05/24 meeting, seconded by Ms. Cook. The motion passed unanimously.*

**4. Office Report**

Ms. Cada announced that she signed on to letters of support for YMCA for Child Care and Project Hope from New Hope Baptist Church for federal funding consideration.

Ms. Cada shared that the CESSA Summit is moving forward for April 12<sup>th</sup>. There are about 55 people registered, and participants will be able to talk through 988 and what's happening currently.

Ms. Cada attended an Epilepsy advocacy network event on March 26<sup>th</sup>. They showed a short film and had a discussion afterward. It was well attended, with 30-40 people.

Ms. Cada reminded the committee that Ms. Allen will attend the ACMHAI April Meeting in Springfield on April 25 – 26. They will be discussing I/DD Services.

Ms. Cada shared that the Mental Health Board has been supporting the DeKalb Sheriff's Office after the death of a duty officer.

Ms. Cada will be attending the DeKalb Chamber of Commerce local showcase on April 25<sup>th</sup>

Ms. Cada and Ms. Allen shared that they attended the Community Outreach Event at the Dekalb High School.

Ms. Cada shared that at the Next County Board Meeting on April 17<sup>th</sup>, they will consider appointing Lana Haines to the Mental Health Board.

Ms. Cada shared that Ms. Allen will be doing guest DJ for the radio show on April 8<sup>th</sup>

Ms. Cada shared she will be attending the Youth Outlook Future Conference.

## **5. Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

## **6. Old Business**

- A. Grant Year 2025 Grant Process – Ms. Cada shared the Special Board Hearing Meeting is on April 9<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm
- B. Annual Policy & Procedure Review – Ms. Cada reminded the committee that policy and procedures were handed out at the last meeting. Ms. Cada will review them at the May committee meeting.

## **7. New Business**

- A. Executive & Finance Committee Membership status – Tabled until May Meeting
- B. Slate of Officers – Tabled until May Meeting
- C. Review Closed Session Minutes – No closed meeting for Executive Committee
- D. May 2024 Mental Health Awareness Event – Partnership with NM/Living Room – Ms. Cada discussed the “In My Shoes” Event with a Peer Support Specialist from NM/Living Room. The event is scheduled for May 14th; Ms. Cada discussed supporting the event by purchasing supplies.

## **8. One-Year/Three-Year Plan update**

- A. Young Child Mental Health – Survey discussion, School Mental Health Support – Ms. Cada discussed the results from the Young Child Mental Health Survey
- B. CEBiB Committee – Community Events – Ms. Cada discussed the events the committee is involved in to connect with those in the populations as identified within the survey
- C. Workforce Development—CEU event—Ms. Cada discussed the Mental Health Board's hosting a professional development with Dr. Timothy Wahlberg, who specializes in working with individuals on the Autism Spectrum; Ms. Cada discussed that CEUs will be available.
- D. Community Case Management – Potential IRIS opportunities

**9. Date of Next Executive Committee Meeting:** May 7, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

## **10. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

*Ms. Cook moved for adjournment, seconded by Mr. Maier. The motion passed unanimously.*

Respectfully submitted,

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Meghan Cook, Board Vice-President

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Heaven Allen, Recording Secretary