

Eastern Iowa MH/DS Region
Governing Board of Directors Meeting
Scott County Administrative Center, Room 605
September 18, 2017

The MH/DS Governing Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 1:03M by Chair Smith. Earnhardt, Smith, Willey, Hahn and Hilgendorf were present. Hamerlinck arrived at 1:15PM and Mather arrived at 1:05PM. Management Team present: Becky Eskildsen, Lynn Bopes, Lori Elam, Kathie Anderson-Noel and Julie Tischuk. Fiscal Agent: David Farmer. Guests: Diane Holst, Stacy Kiser-Willey, Waylyn McCullough, Christine Gradert, Lisa Bohland, Jill Westhoff, Nick Markovich, Richard K. Whitaker, Barbara Robinson-Lagarde, Eric Van Lancker, Lynn Kirchhoff.

Moved by Earnhardt, seconded by Willey to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes-Earnhardt, Smith, Willey. Absent- Hamerlinck, Mather

Moved by Earnhardt, seconded by Willey for approval of the minutes of the 8/21/17 Governing Board Meeting. Ayes- Earnhardt, Smith, Willey. Absent-Hamerlinck, Mather

David Farmer reviewed the Budget Performance Report and Balance Sheet through August 2017. There was no expenditure activity during the past month. The current balance is \$9,814,249.54. Discussion was held. Moved by Willey, seconded by Earnhardt to approve the financial reports. Ayes- Earnhardt, Mather, Smith, Willey. Absent- Hamerlinck

David Farmer presented to the Governing Board regarding Eastern Iowa MHDS-SF 504 Financial Analysis. David covered the following topics: Department of Management's interpretation of SF 504, Iowa County Finance Committee's recommendations based on what Department of Management is stating and the Legislative language, what the SF 504 financial perspective is for the Region, The Eastern Iowa MHDS Region Funding Models that have been developed to address SF 504 fund balance requirements and what our next steps will be. Discussion was held.

Lori Elam gave an update on the Community Stakeholder Meeting held on August 28, 2017. Lori reminded the board that in SF504, a Community Plan needs to be developed and submitted to DHS by 10/16/17. Lori referenced the report that Jeff Schott, facilitator of the meeting, prepared regarding the outcomes that the state wants addressed to help individuals with complex needs. Lori shared that DHS has updated the outcomes and has asked that the Regions collect data on the new outcomes they have outlined. Data tracking and reporting is to start November 1, 2017. Lori reported that 62 people attended the meeting and there was great input and discussion on how address the issues and needs that have been identified in the Region. Discussion was held.

Mary Petersen, from Robert Young Center, presented Crisis Services updates to the Governing Board. Mary started by introducing Nick Markovich, LCSW, LISW, to the board. Nick will be the Manager of Eastern Iowa region Crisis System. Christine Gradert will be taking another position at Unity Point Health and will be helping with other areas of the crisis system. Mary reviewed the metrics with the board. Mary pointed out that the new format for the data and explained that this will show trends in

the Region. The trend graphs will also be able to be used in the annual report to DHS. Mary let the board know that at the October 2017 Governing Board meeting she will have the amendment to the regional Mental Health Crisis Services Agreement that will extend the agreement to align with the fiscal year of the Region for their review. Mary updated the board regarding meeting with Genesis Hospital to discuss the delays in the ED, usage of telehealth, and law enforcement being called to the EDs. Mary let the board know that they had a great meeting with Genesis Hospital on 9/7/17 that had very positive outcomes on how to address these areas of concern. Genesis Hospital hopes to present at the next meeting to give an update to the board. Jill Westhoff presented the income statement to the board. Discussion was held.

Julie Tischuk gave a HIPAA update to the board. Julie let the board know that CAROSH Compliance Solutions is putting together the draft policy manual and we should have a copy to review soon. Julie let the board know that she has talked with Roger Shindell about what it would cost for the Region to have its own software/server to use. Julie let the board know that she will share that information once she receives it from him. Julie updated the board that she is working on putting together the workers in the Region that will need HIPAA training. Julie shared that if a county in the Region is working with CAROSH Compliance Solutions and they have had training through them at the county level, they do not need to repeat the training at the Region level. Discussion was held.

Lori Elam reminded the board of the recent visit with ICAP. Lori shared that ICAP has sent out an action step plan recommending that bylaws be implemented in a timely manner to reduce potential liability exposures. Lori asked if two board members would like to look at bylaws and report back to the Governing Board. Carol Earnhardt and Jack Willey will review bylaws from other Regions and will present their findings at a future governing board meeting. Discussion was held.

Becky Eskildsen let the board know that Clinton County Case Management closed their doors for business on 8/31/17. She shared that there is one person remaining in the office for 6 months to finalize billing, cost reporting, file closure, etc. Becky let the board know that she checked with Department of Management (DOM) to see if that person can be under the Mental Health services budget while this program is being wrapped up. DOM stated they can do that. Becky asked for board approval to use mental health funds for closure of Clinton County Case Management. Moved by Willey, seconded by Earnhardt to allow mental health funds be paid to Patricia Robinson, LBSW, Director of Clinton County Case Management, to finalize the closure of case management starting 9/1/17 for a six month period of time. Ayes- Earnhardt, Hamerlinck, Mather, Smith, Willey.

Lori Elam reviewed the CEO report with the Governing Board. Lori reviewed the many meetings that she has attended and hosted during the past month. Lori highlighted the Community Stakeholder meeting held on August 28, 2017 with 60+ people attending and shared that she participated in ISAC's Legislative Policy Committee to help revise SF 504 and some of the issues that have been discovered with the bill language. Lori also let the board know that a consultation with DHS took place recently to address the white paper that was included in SF 504 for the Region. Discussion was held.

Other Items: None

Public Comment:

Richard Whitaker from Vera French discussed the shift of services from a traditional RCF setting to now having several Habilitation homes in the community that people from the RCF are now accessing and how happy they are to be in smaller, home like settings. He pointed out that this has shifted funding from the Region for the RCF services to the Managed Care Agencies now paying for services in the homes.

The Governing Board of Directors meeting adjourned at 3:07 PM.

Jack Willey, Secretary
Eastern Iowa MH/DS Region