

Eastern Iowa MH/DS Region  
Governing Board of Directors Meeting  
Scott County Administrative Center, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Boardroom  
July 20, 2015

The MH/DS Governing Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 3:00PM by Chair Willey. Deerberg, Earnhardt, Hamerlinck, Kelly, Willey, Hahn, and Hilgendorf were present. Guests: Barb Robinson, Samantha Wolfe, Todd Noack, Annie Armknecht, Denise Beenk, and Lisa Bohland.

Moved by Deerberg, seconded by Earnhardt for approval of the agenda for July 20, 2015. All ayes.

Moved by Kelly, seconded by Earnhardt for approval of the minutes of the June 15, 2015 meeting. All ayes.

Elam reviewed the financial reports. The current balance is: \$2,649,233.54. Moved by Deerberg, seconded by Earnhardt for approval of the financial reports. All ayes.

David Farmer, Scott Co. Fiscal Agent, gave an update regarding the FY 15 Annual Audit and the RFP process. David report he received two bids and after consideration through a committee process Baker Tilly, LLP was recommended for the 2015 Annual Audit with a renewal option for the 2016 Annual Audit. Moved by Kelly to enter into an agreement with Baker Tilly to complete the 2015 Annual Audit and renewal option for 2016 Annual Audit, seconded by Earnhardt. All ayes.

Johannsen presented the FY 16 Provider Contracts/Rates to be approved. Discussion was held. Moved by Deerberg to approve the FY 16 contracts/rates, seconded by Kelly. All ayes. The following are the Provider Contracts/Rates approved: Bridgeview CMHC, Cornerstone Wellness Center, Mediapolis, Mercy Medical Center - Clinton, Pathway Living Center, Skyline Center INC, Wagner Pharmacy, Compassion Counseling, Handicapped Development Center, Vera French Community Mental Health Center, Genesis Medical Center, Cedar Employment Opportunities, Crossroads, Optimae Life Solutions, Consumer Designed Services,

Johannsen presented the amended ICTS 28-E Agreement. This membership agreement allows the Region to utilize CSN. Discussion was held. Moved by Kelly to approve the ICTS 28-E agreement, seconded by Deerberg. All ayes.

Johannsen and Elam gave an update regarding the Mental Health Advocate position. The deadline for accepting applications closes today and the process of reviewing applications and interviewing will take place during the next two weeks. Discussion was held.

Johannsen gave an update regarding crisis services. Robert Young Center and the Management Team have started meeting to discuss crisis services. The Management Team would like to have Robert Young Center present to the Governing Board and take a tour of their Crisis Service Unit.

Michael Garone, Director of Development from Strategic Behavioral Health, LLC, met with the Governing Board to present a development plan of a 72 bed psychiatric hospital in Scott County area. Discussion was held regarding this service opportunity for the Region. The Governing Board would like to send a letter of support and encouraged individual counties to send letters as well. Moved by Earnhardt that

the Governing Board write a letter of support to Strategic Behavioral Health, LLC, seconded by Deerberg. All ayes.

Elam gave a legislative update. Discussion was held regarding the bill that the Governor signed this month. There is no funding allotted for the Regions in FY 16. The Governing Board would like to put together a simple but effective message in the next few months to give to legislators and others stating the need for mental health funding to sustain the Regions and services in the years to come.

CEO Report: Johannsen reviewed the report. Discussion was held.

Public Comment: Todd Noack presented to the Governing Board an update regarding Peer Support Services.

Moved by Earnhardt, seconded by Deerberg to adjourn the Regional Governing Board meeting at 4:35PM. All Ayes.

The next Governing Board of Directors Meeting will be August 17, 2015 at 3:00PM in the Scott County Administration Building, First Floor Boardroom.



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Carol Earnhardt, Secretary,  
Eastern Iowa MH/DS Region