

Eastern Iowa MH/DS Region
Governing Board of Directors Meeting
Davenport Library, 3000 North Fairmount St.
September 17, 2018

The MH/DS Governing Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 3:00PM by Vice Chair Willey. Earnhardt, Mather, Smith, Willey, Hahn and Hilgendorf were present. Hamerlinck arrived at 3:42PM. Management Team present: Becky Eskildsen, Lori Elam, Lynn Bopes, Kathie Anderson-Noel and Julie Tischuk. Fiscal Agent: David Farmer. Guests: Todd Noack, Penny West, Lisa Bohland, Jill Westhoff, Richard K. Whitaker

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

Moved by Earnhardt, seconded by Mather for approval of the 8/20/18 Governing Board of Directors Meeting minutes. Ayes- Earnhardt, Mather, Smith, Willey. Absent- Hamerlinck

David Farmer presented the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances sheet ending 8/31/18 to the Governing Board. David let the board know that the fund balance for the Region is \$9,439,989.00. David reviewed revenue, expenditures, distribution of money to counties and administrative costs with the board. David let the board know that he would be requesting updated FY 18 year end totals from the county auditors to present at the October meeting. Discussion was held. Moved by Mather, seconded by Earnhardt to approve and place on file the financial report. Ayes- Earnhardt, Mather, Smith, Willey. Absent- Hamerlinck

Penny West, Robert Young Center, presented the metrics for the crisis services to the Governing Board. Areas discussed: the Justice Involved Care Coordinator position started in Clinton Co. 9/10/18 and mobile pre-screening will now be available there following training, the high utilizer release of information form is completed and compliant with HIPAA and will now be used at the meetings in Scott County and Clinton County, bridge appointments are available for access in all five counties where staff have been trained to schedule the appointments, the peer support services are moving forward with finalizing policy and metrics to be collected and will be active soon, the mailers are set to go out October 1, 2018 to residents in the Region regarding the crisis hotline and the next project starting is discussions on transitional housing services. The board asked that the metrics score card be updated to reflect more information on the progress of the crisis services. This will be reviewed and updated in the Steering Committee. Jill Westhoff, Robert Young Center, presented and answered questions from the board regarding the current financial income statement for crisis services dated July 2018. Discussion was held.

Lori Elam handed out information to the board regarding the Children's State System. Lori shared that the CEOs and DHS recently discussed what the Region's participation with this system would be. DHS has asked if the CEOs would like to be at the table when developing this system. DHS has not indicated how this system will be funded. Lori shared that Medicaid would most likely fund some of the services and a braided funding approach would need to be looked at for the rest. Lori pointed out that the

regions are already paying for children through mental health committals and crisis services and DHS has indicated that the services will mirror the adult system. Lori shared that the CEOs would like to pursue being at the table to discuss a leadership role of developing the system. Lori encouraged the board to look over the information and to let her know if they have any comments they want passed along to DHS. Discussion was held.

Lori Elam presented the CEO report to the board. Lori highlighted areas from her report: Lori worked with the CEOs on developing comments for the new rules on HF 2456, attended the 2018 Iowa Housing Conference, attended CSN/warehouse report training session with management team, attended a meeting with Vera French, Robert Young Center and Genesis regarding ACT services, and participated in telephone calls with Robert Young Center staff and local providers regarding Peer Drop in Centers to name a few activities for the month. Discussion was held.

Other Items: Lori Elam let the board know that the Governing Board of Directors meeting will be October 22, 2018 at 1:00PM. Lori let the board know that she would try to reserve the same room for the next meeting. Lori reminded the board of the Strategic Planning sessions being held on October 24th and October 26th.

Public Comment- Todd Noack, Life Connections Peer Recovery Services, wanted to remind everyone about the upcoming 1st Responders Training and the Mental Health 1st Aid training being offered October 23rd and October 24th. They still have room for people to attend if they are interested. Todd announced the Grand Opening for Rhonda's House in DeWitt, Ia. will be October 15, 2018. Todd will be on Paula Sands Live in the near future to talk about Rhonda's House and people can stop on the 15th to see and learn more about the house and the services it will offer.

Richard K. Whitaker, Vera French, let the board and the public know that Vera French is offering Same-Day Access Services to those in need of seeing a counselor for an initial evaluation. Vera French is hoping to divert people from the E.D.s and utilize this service instead. Richard let the board know that he is on the Legislative Interim Committee and will be attending the October 5, 2018 meeting at the State Capitol to discuss mental health needs and financial projections for the next 5 years. He hopes to share information from this meeting with the Region in the near future.

Meeting Adjourned: 4:14PM



Nathan Mather, Secretary
Eastern Iowa MH/DS Region