

Eastern Iowa MH/DS  
Regional Advisory Committee Meeting  
Scott County Administration Building  
July 16, 2018

Please note time/date and location of the next Regional Advisory Board meeting to: Monday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> from 3-5 pm at the Handicapped Development Center located at 3402 Hickory Grove Rd in Davenport, Iowa

I. Introductions:

The meeting was called to order at 1 pm by CEO Elam.

Members Present: CDS Bopes; CDS Eskildsen; CDS Tischuk; CDS Anderson-Noel; Lynne Hilgendorf; Luanna Gredell; Melissa Peterson; Rich Whitaker; Jack Willey; Holly Parmer; Susie Ruchotzke.

Members Absent: Catherine Hahn; Tina Harper; two vacancies

Guests: Todd Noack of Life Connections and Todd Lange of Amerigroup

II. Review Agenda:

Nothing was added or deleted.

III. Recommendations for Member to Serve as Ex-Officio Member on Governing Board:

Supervisor Willey opened up dialogue by speaking highly of Lynn Hilgendorf who currently serves as an ex-officio member to the Governing Board. States she is an advocate for those with disabilities and providers. Members Ruchotzke, Gredell and Whitaker all agreed. Whitaker made a motion for Hilgendorf to continue to serve as ex-officio and Ruchotzke seconded.

IV. Presentation from Todd Noack-Peer Support Services:

Noack spoke about goals of the program. He stated they divert individuals from hospitalizations, poverty and homelessness. He mentioned the East Central Region has a peer support group. Todd Noack's peer support advisory committee meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month at the Methodist Church in Dewitt. Advisory Group was also updated on Rhonda's House, the peer run respite home in Dewitt, Iowa that individuals need to be medically cleared prior to admission. The plan is to use the Genesis ED in Dewitt for medical clearance. The goal of the peer run respite house is to return to the community as quickly as possible and work on ways to recover.

V. Regional Financial Update:

CEO Elam stated she had no hands out today of financial updates as no audit is yet available however it is anticipated it would be ready in October. She did present financial scenarios for the members present. Most noteworthy is the decrease in revenue from 2017 and 2018 while expenditures have increased. The Region is expected to use more of the fund balance for FY 19 due to tax levy declines in 4 of the 5 counties.

VI. Update on Crisis Services:

The third year of the crisis system has been implemented. Services to be rolled out are: warm line, expansion of mobile crisis to all 5 counties, "bridge" appointment expansion, peer drop in center, and development of a crisis stabilization center. Members present requested an update on Vera French's ACT program be provided at the October meeting.

VII. Other Items:

CEO Elam noted she would be talking about the Region at a 7<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court Judge's meeting on August 2<sup>nd</sup>. She will also be speaking to a class on policies at Scott Community College.

VIII. Public Comment:

No comments

IX. Next meeting:

Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 15<sup>th</sup> from 1-3 pm at the Scott County Administration Bldg.

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X. Adjournment:

2:34 pm

Respectfully Submitted-CDS Eskildsen, Clinton County