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Community Services Board Meeting

Pat Fontana
Board Chairperson

Minutes

For January 22, 2025

Introductions were made.

Call to Order: Pat Fontana called the meeting to order at 4 p.m.

Members Present: Tina Bartlett-Bearup, Maureen Cean, Jennifer Draper, Pat Fontana, Joey Horton, Aileen Martin, Michelle McElroy and Molly Smith.

Members Absent: Dr. Sarah Delaney, Stephen Kowalick and Karen Marcum.

Guests Present: Lindsay Baldwin, Randy Fipps, Michelle Graham, Jordan Jones, Jennifer Lachenauer, Susan Lara-Gonzalez, Michelle Monnat, Amy Quonce, Melissa Rookman, Alicia Rupert, Molly Smith and John Wilson. Virtually attending were Karen Freeman, Karen Hoffman, Taylor Kiechle and Tara Lortz.

Privilege of the Floor: Lindsay Baldwin, FDRHPO, presented on the Jefferson-Lewis Mobile Crisis program regarding Data Assessment, the Mobile Crisis Process and the Mobile Crisis RFP.

Approval of the December 18, 2024, minutes: Motion: Aileen Martin; 2nd: Joey Horton. Minutes passed.

Director's Report: See attached report.

2024 Budget Modifications:

All budget modifications were approved through the Mental Health subcommittee and are waived for the CSB. The seconds are as follows: ARC – Aileen Martin, CAH – Maureen Cean, MHA – Michelle McElroy, SMC – Molly Smith and Thrive – Jennifer Draper with Maureen Cean and Joey Horton abstaining from Thrive budget modification voting.

All budget modifications were approved.

Executive Session: Motion to go into Executive Session: Maureen Cean. 2nd: Joey Horton. Motion to go out of Executive Session: Aileen Martin. 2nd: Joey Horton.

A motion was made to approve Tina O'Neil as a member of the Substance Abuse subcommittee by Joey Horton and seconded by Maureen Cean. The motion was approved.

Next meeting date: February 26, 2025, at 4 p.m. (In Person/Virtual).

Adjournment at 4:45 p.m. Motion: Jennifer Draper. 2nd: Aileen Martin.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary

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Director's Report January 22, 2025

Community Services Office:

-Still full staff

County/State/ Federal Initiatives:

-Crisis- Crisis RFP was released on Jan 15.

-Regional Abatement Funding RFP is active with an updated deadline of January 24th. At least \$520K will be available

- **Local Services Plan:** N/A

Local/Community Concerns/Issues:

- Homelessness steering committee had a meeting a couple weeks ago with county and city officials as well as local provider representatives. We will be collecting data on actual numbers of street homeless. Have reached out to FDRHPO for ideas and possible assistance We are also researching funding options for a no/low barrier congregate shelter for both m/f.
- We continue to be in a holding pattern for restoration service payment. Community Services had received over \$1Million in bills. OMH has scheduled a call with all the DCS's in late February to discuss 730's

Suicide Prevention Coalition:

- Our next projects include developing a training catalog and training request form to add to our website and collaborating with FDRHPO in relation to a grant that would fund the Gizmo project across all elementary schools and libraries within Jefferson County.
- Development of Traumatic Loss Team

AOT/ETA:

- AOTs:
 - 18 Active AOTs
 - 1 Pending AOT Hearing (from SLPC)
 - 1 Pending transfer from Oneida
 - 1 step down to ETA
 - 15 successful discharges since 2017
- ETAs:
 - 9 active
 - 7 (soon to be 8) successful discharges since 2018
- Significant Events:
 - Completed this month as a result of noncompliance/decompensation - 2

- Admissions for AOT/ETA clients as a result of noncompliance/decompensation - 3
- Significant Event Reports to OMH - 3
- Violation of Probation or Parole - 0

DA/PD/JCCS MH Collaboration:

- Continuing on a regular basis
- LEOs also reaching out regularly - 22.09, Education regarding 9.41, connecting inmates to appropriate care
- Assisting in the MH/LEO collaborations across counties as well