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AU SABLE VALLEY COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES BOARD

May 26, 2009

MINUTES

I. CONVENE

The regularly scheduled meeting of the AuSable Valley Community Mental Health Board was held on Tuesday, May 26, 2009 at the Extension Office in Mio. Meeting was called to order by Chairman Dr. Williams at 6:03 p.m.

A. ROLL CALL. Board members present: *Patti Casey, Bernadine Clark, Scott Colclasure, Jim Cummins, Kay Hammond, Robert Huddy, Michael Welsch, Clyde Soucie, Joe Stone, Rose Walsh and Dr. Williams.*

Board members absent: Robert Cudney.

Staff present: Floyd Smith, Glenn Gray, Lois Gartland, Dave Beck, and Lee Mertz.

Guests: Gary Ridley of Oscoda County Herald.

B. APPROVAL OF MARCH MINUTES.

Moved by Mr. Stone, seconded by Ms. Walsh to approve the Minutes of the March Board Meeting as printed. Motion carried.

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA.

Moved by Mr. Welsch, seconded by Mr. Soucie to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion carried.

D. CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence was received. Dr. Smith did share a copy of an e-mail that he had sent electronically regarding the Seminar on Fetal Alcohol Syndrome on June 8th.



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E. ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

F. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

G. CONSUMER COMMENTS

None.

II, Recognition of James Cates

Dr. Williams shared recognition of former Board Member Jim Cates, who served on the Board from 1992 – 2009, Plaque of Appreciation was available and will be sent to Mr. Cates. Dr. Williams shared his appreciation for Jim's time that he spent on the Board noting his sincerity and that we will miss him.

III. REPORTS

A. Chairperson.

None.

B. Board Association.

Mike Welsch briefly reviewed the Board Association Budget with regard to the recent request for an increase in dues. He noted that that Association has reviewed further and as a result, has changed their original request. He indicated that in addition, the Board Association has also changed their By-Laws to change their budget year to now begin October 1st. Mr. Welsch also shared information regarding the decrease in revenue for general fund. He reported new Officers have been selected including Alexis Kaczynski, Director of the North Country Board as 2nd Vice Chairperson.

Mr. Welsch also shared information on the Peer Group Session that he attended and of which he was impressed.

Ms. Hammond shared her feelings that it was a very good conference and shared information

regarding an autism workshop, noting they may offer a similar presentation to regions. Ms. Hammond briefly reviewed the clinical trials for therapy with children with autism and indicated that she also attended Walk a Mile Rally recently.

Mr. Soucie shared his feelings that it was a very good conference and wished he could have attended more workshops.

C. Director

Dr. Smith's printed report of areas of interest to the Board was distributed and reviewed.

Dr. Smith shared copy of coverage provided by Iosco County News of the Family Fun Fair which was recently held in Oscoda. He noted it was a very well received event with a number of agencies involved but which is spearheaded by Sue Buresh of our ABC's for Parents Program.

D. Committees

1. Personnel Committee met on May 4, 2009.

Committee report was presented by Dr. Williams as Committee representative.

Moved by Dr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Huddy to approve the immediate termination of employment of Trisha McLean as presented. Roll call vote taken; all ayes. Motion carried.

Mr. Huddy questioned if we have heard from Ms. McLean which Mr. Mertz indicated he has not.

2. Executive & Finance Committee met on May 21, 2009.

Committee report was presented by Bernadine Clark as Committee Chairperson.

Moved by Ms. Clark, seconded by Ms. Hammond to receive the April Financial Statements and Expenditures as presented. Roll call vote taken; all ayes. Motion carried. Roll call vote taken; all ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Ms. Clark, seconded by Mr. Colclasure to approve the Budget Plan presented by the Director for 2009 and 2010 as presented. Roll call vote taken; all ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Ms. Clark, seconded by Mr. Welsch to approve the General Fund reduction options

for 2009, as presented by Dr. Beck. Roll call vote taken; all ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Ms. Clark, seconded by Ms. Hammond to approve the policy presented from Companion Life for our Life and Accidental Death Policy as presented. Roll call vote taken; all ayes. Motion carried.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

Lois Gartland, Director of Administrative Services for the Board provided an update of the Board's request for an agency Website. Ms. Gartland provided background information, approaches used in consideration of web page design as well as web hosting, Ms. Gartland presented an on-line website prototype that she has developed. Financial analysis of both e-mail and website hosting was presented, which demonstrates the possibility of significant administrative savings to the Board. Ms. Gartland reviewed next steps in the process and plans for "publishing" the website, pending Board approval.

Members of the Board expressed their extreme pleasure and excitement for the website and for the work that Ms. Gartland has done.

Moved by Mr. Stone, seconded by Ms. Walsh to approve the implementation of the Agency Website as presented. Motion carried.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

None.

VIII. COMMENTS

A. BOARD.

Ms. Hammond offered information regarding integration of treatment of children between the schools and mental health which was provided to Dr. Beck,

B. STAFF. *None.*

C. PUBLIC. *None.*

IX. MEETING DATES

A. **BOARD.** *Next regular meeting of the Board will be held on Monday, June 22, 2009, at 6:00 p.m., at the Board's Tawas City Office.*

B. **COMMITTEES.**

1. **Personnel.** *Monday, June 1, 5:00 p.m., Tawas Office.*
2. **Program.** *Thursday, June 18, 5:00 p.m., Tawas Office.*
3. **Executive & Finance.** *Tuesday, June 16, 5:00 p.m., West Branch Office.*
4. **Building.** *Thursday, May 28, 10:00 a.m., Tawas City Office.*

VIII. **ADJOURN**

Moved by Mr. Stone, seconded by Ms. Hammond that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Lois A. Gartland
Recording Secretary

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