

Seneca County Community Services Board

Pat Plyter, Chair

Community Services Board Meeting Minutes

July 19, 2022

(Conducted Via Videoconference)

Members Present – Pat Plyter, Stanley Hatch, John Cleere, Maria Gigliotti, Beth Partee, Jennifer Palmer, Joseph Lorenzetti, Susan Ottenweller, Mike Alessio, Jeanette Rock

Guests - Brenda Black, Margaret Morse, Michael Enslow, Bethany Felicita

Excused –Tammy Orlopp, Kathy Sinkiewicz, Tammy Anhorn,

Welcome – 630pm Meeting was called to order. Quorum present. Introductions were made.

Secretary minutes from June - Motion to accept initiated by John Cleere and seconded by Stanley Hatch. No discussion. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carries.

Public Announcement – None

Consumer Report – Jeanette Rock – DIC - The Drop In Center continues to be a healthy safe environment for members, staff and visitors. COVID Screening is still done for all.

Total number of members for June is 432. The Drop in numbers comes from a house closing, due to COVID, and other related matters. We are picking up new members from various agencies such as adult Protective Services and peer support workers from SOCS and FLACRA.

Members enjoy arts and crafts, board games with staff and also enjoy cookouts and warm weather. Cake and ice cream are offered to those with birthdays monthly. Members go to local shopping, and the health club.

FLACRA has offered members to join in a few groups like yoga, Aspire Hope to name a few. FLACRA continues to see an increase of people attending recovery support services.

Committee Report (Stanley Hatch) – OPWDD Subcommittee meeting was held prior to the CSB meeting via zoom on July 19, 2022 @ 5:30pm. Several agencies submitted reports for the last quarter.

The OPWDD Local plan was approved by the CSB members- Motion to accept local plan made by Stanley Hatch and seconded by Pat Plyter. All were in favor.

Program Director of Clinical Services - Brenda Black – Quarterly report – Productivity in services for the month is 2527. Of those 1443 were in person and 1084 were by telehealth. 718 visits were children.

August 2, 2022 – scheduled National Night Out

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September 21, 2022 from 5:30pm to 6:30pm Is a Talk Saves Lives at the Quality Inn. There will be both adult and youth sessions

September 27, 2022 @ 5:30pm At the Elks Lodge will be holding a Cultural Comp Training, Native American Culture and Boarding schools

Dec 9-11, 2022 – It's a Wonderful Life Festival

Administrative Remarks- Margaret Morse DCS – The Admin reports were distributed.

Margaret will be presenting at the North East Health and Science in September. The college will be doing a program on invisible disabilities. Margaret's presentation will be called Invisible Disabilities: Stigma and Behavioral Health. There will be a flier and a zoom link so anyone can attend.

The Opioid Settlement Funds, the first part of these funds have been received by the county. The vast amount of this funding is to be utilized for services to individuals and families, along with helping the jails.

Updates on staffing – The clinic has an open:

typist position

senior psychiatric social worker

staff psychiatrist

Board requested information on how high risk clients are tracked. Anyone who is discharged from a hospital is assigned to the clinic's high risk case manager, which is funded through the clinic's state aid pass through dollars, This is a full time position from Lakeview Health Services. This person provides outreach and engagement services to individuals coming out of the hospital or jail with a mental health diagnosis. If someone is coming out of the hospital or jail with a substance abuse diagnosis they are connected with the clinic peers.

Rochester regional health received funding to build crisis stabilization centers at Unity in Rochester. This will be the stabilization center that will serve Seneca County. Helio has also received the same funding.

The clinic built sustainability into the federal grant that funds the crisis response team, so when the grant runs out it will be sustained through billable services. The NOMS is a data collection tool that is collected upon the initial visit and then every 6 months following. This data is collected in a federal database and the clinic can pull all sorts of reports and have access to outcome data. This data is collected and built into the clinics medical health records. All of the services through the crisis response team are billable, these are not billed now as they are fully supported through the grant. There is still money left from the grant as the team is not fully staffed. Year one will have monies left over. Year two is from a separate budget. Year three the crisis team would be able to get a no cost extension on the grant and can continue potentially be funded through year three. The SAMHSA grant manager has stated that of all of the 250 grants that he is managing, Seneca County is in the top 20%.

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Pat Plyter and Margaret Morse met with David Ettman about open meetings law. These meetings were flexed during Covid. We are still under all of those flexibilities. We can change how we want to proceed with these meetings, whether it be by zoom or in person meetings. This meeting should be fine for zoom meetings through the end of the year as long as the governor extends the executive order. This is done in thirty day increments. The board members should have a plan in place. The clinic facility still has to be masked and all members in attendance in the building for meetings will need to be masked. If the meeting were to be Hybrid, there has to be an in-person quorum. Anyone who does zoom would have to have a valid reason that meets eligibility per regulations. If and when the CSB decides to meet in person, Margaret Morse can inquire about using one of the group rooms over in the county building where you do not need to wear a mask and there will be ample room for safe meeting purposes. If there is a change and the board decides to go with Hybrid, this would need a local law passed by the board of supervisors to change the bylaws.

Crisis Response – Bethany Felicita – A report was presented on over all crisis visits for the last quarter and broken down by initial visits, follow ups, those who went to the hospital, those served in the community, persons who declined services, persons with more than one visit in a month, and youth. There was an increase in service delivery in the last quarter.

988 National Suicide and Crisis Hotline is state wide and started July 16, 2022. We have contracted with them to provide triage to our crisis team. There is an external line for 211 lifeline to contact the crisis counselors. This is directly to the crisis team without having to go through the front desk. The crisis team also has an email established for lifeline to use, that is routed to the entire crisis team.

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS –

All of the committees have approved the 2023 local plans for Mental Health, Alcohol and Substance Abuse and OPWDD. CSB Members to vote.

OPWDD - All in favor. Everyone approved

Mental Health – All in Favor. Everyone Approved.

Alcohol and Substance Abuse – All In Favor. Everyone Approved.

Pat has added an agenda to the subcommittee to include review of the local plan to have agencies follow along during the meetings.

Pat Plyter sent the members a flyer about her teaching a family to family course. Hoping family members join. This is partnered with NAMI Cayuga and M+NAMI Syracuse, some of their instructors will help with the three county meeting. Please get a hold of Pat Plyter to attend.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Stanley Hatch and seconded by Joseph Lorenzetti.

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Next meeting: Tuesday September 20, 2022 @ 6:30pm. MH Subcommittee meeting will be held prior at 4:30pm VIA Zoom. ASA Subcommittee meeting will be held prior at 5:30pm VIA Zoom. CSB meeting will be held at 6:30pm VIA Zoom.

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Lisa Reynolds, Board Secretary with reviews/revisions made by Margaret Morse, DCS and Pat Plyter CSB Chair