

Seneca County Community Services Board

Pat Plyter, Chair

Community Services Board Meeting Minutes

October 18, 2022

(Conducted Via Videoconference)

Members Present – Pat Plyter, Dr. Joseph Lorenzetti, John Cleere, Kathy Sinkiewicz, Stanley Hatch, Jennifer Palmer, Susan Ottenweller, Tammy Anhorn

Guests - Margaret Morse, Tammy Orlopp, Brenda Black

Excused –Bethany Felicita, Maria Gigliotti, Jeanette Rock, Mike Alessio, Mike Enslow, Beth Partee

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

Secretary minutes from September - Motion to accept initiated by Joseph Lorenzetti and seconded by . No discussion. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carries.

Public Announcement – None

Consumer Report – None

Committee Report (Stanley Hatch) – OPWDD Subcommittee meeting was held prior to the CSB meeting via zoom on October 18, 2022 @ 5:00pm. Several agencies submitted reports for the last quarter.

Reports fell in line with the 2023 plan.

Pineview Housing has 4 slots, 3 are filled and the last one in process of being filled.

Main St. Apartments are being completed for handicapped and elderly.

The old Koch building may possibly be renovated for low income and veterans.

4 supported housing units are open and currently not filled. These units are for different levels of care.

Questions have been asked to OPWDD about housing. No questions have been answered. There is date from Mozaic state operated homes. This is regional and not separated by county.

New program for integrated supported housing – funding coming in, every 6 months start paperwork before approval for previous 6 months.

Start Program – goes into the home and develops plans.

Mozaic has own crisis plans in place.

Individuals at home can get crisis services and will get support and information to get into more services if needed.

Crisis stabilizations will they serve OPWDD and ASA persons?

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Program Director of Clinical Services - Brenda Black – Quarterly report – Productivity in services for the month is 2327. 742 were telehealth services. 643 were children

Staff – There will be 4 staff out at various times over the next 4 months.

Out of Darkness Walk – Beautiful day, great turnout. Goal was for \$16,000 to be raised. A total of \$21,095 was raised.

Suicide Prevention – Steering committee was formed to develop data, set finances, set events, media and membership.

Events:

October 24 – October 28 is Red Ribbon Week and will take place at all 4 Seneca County Middle schools.

October 25 – A Virtual training for “Talk Saves Lives” train the trainer at 6:30pm.

October 26 – A Hidden In Plain Sight training at the Quality Inn in Waterloo from 6pm to 8pm.

October 28 – A Red Ribbon Challenge (Mini “Drug Quiz” Show) will be held at the Elks Lodge in Seneca Falls from 5pm to 8pm.

October 29 – National DEA Drug Take back Day at Walgreens and Kinney Pharmacies in Seneca Falls/Waterloo and Kinney Pharmacy in Ovid from 10am to 2pm.

- Seneca Falls Walk in the Park/Trick or Treating 1:30 to 3pm at People’s Park
- Waterloo Rotary Pumpkin Walk @ Waterloo Rec Center from 6pm to 8pm

Tammy Orlopp – Trunk or Treat on October 27 from 4pm to 6pm in the employee parking lot at the Seneca County Community Counseling Center.

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

Updates on staffing – The clinic has an open:

- typist position
- senior psychiatric social worker
- staff psychiatrist

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Margaret Morse on Behalf of 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.

Data shows an increase in total number of services provided. Majority of clients served are linked with outpatient mental health providers in the community. With an increase in overall services provided, there is a number of individuals requiring emergency department assessments for potential admission. Overall, the use of mobile crisis services is effectively achieving the goal of ED diversion. Service outcomes are reported and reviewed with a grant manager and have been above level. Outcomes are based off individuals responses to questions asked in the NOMS survey that were completed at the time of admission and completion of the 6 month re-assessment surveys. Most adult individuals sent to the ER are not admitted, children are rarely admitted.

There is a clinical person and peer being hired in the next few weeks to cover evenings.

Crisis grant will cover the first two years, possibly a third year. The crisis team will need to self-sustain, through billing services. We will seek grants and state aid to support the program in addition to SAMHSA Grant. The team is self-sufficient at this point.

OLD BUSINESS – CSB will no longer be virtual. If it were to become an option to be virtual, there would need to be a change in the bylaws and then would need to be changed in the local laws. There would need to be a good reason to stay virtual, and an in person quorum would be needed for any voting.

NEW BUSINESS – None

John Cleere – LEC –CIT class is full. Police, EMT's, Probation and 911 dispatchers are signed up for the training.

Staff is taking advantage of trainings. There is a hiring fair coming up. Pay scale has been brought up to be competitive with surrounding counties.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Stanley Hatch and seconded by Susan Ottenweller.

Next meeting: Tuesday November 15, 2022 @ 6:30pm. MH Subcommittee meeting will be held prior at 5:00pm VIA Zoom. CSB meeting will be held at 6:30pm in the DHS training room.

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