

COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES OF MUSKEGON COUNTY

Full Board Meeting
August 22, 2008
8 a.m. – John Halmond Center

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Full Board was called to order by Chair Thomas at 8:02 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Janet Thomas, Cheryl Natte, Chuck Buzzell, Ralph Christiansen, Ollie Dunbar, Duane Gaultney, Bill Gill, Josephine House, Tony Moulatsiotis, Ken Shelton, I John Snider II, Dr. Remington Sprague

Members Excused: None

Others Present: John North, Dave Parnin, Tom Best, Joy Vander Ven

Guests: Peggy Selmon, Group Home Provider

MINUTES

It was moved by Mr. Christiansen, seconded by Mr. Gaultney, to approve the minutes of the July 25, 2008 meeting as written. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Program Committee via Cheryl Natte

CMHB-08-091 – It was moved by Ms. Natte, seconded by Mr. Snider, to authorize the Community Mental Health Services (CMHS) of Muskegon County staff to apply for renewal funding from the Department of Housing and Urban Development for rental assistance and administrative costs in the amount of \$44,150 through the 2008 HUD SuperNofa, Continuum of Care Program for permanent supportive housing with CMHS of Muskegon County providing \$40,000 in supports as the in-kind match. MOTION CARRIED.

CMHB-08-092 – It was moved by Ms. Natte, seconded by Mr. Gaultney, to authorize the Community Mental Health Services (CMHS) of Muskegon County staff to apply for renewal funding from the Department of Housing and Urban Development for rental assistance and administrative costs in the amount of \$99,112 through the 2008 HUD SuperNofa, Continuum of Care Program for permanent supportive housing with CMHS of Muskegon County providing \$91,000 in supports as the in-kind match. MOTION CARRIED.

CMHB-08-093 – It was moved by Ms. Natte, seconded by Mr. Gaultney, to authorize the Community Mental Health Services (CMHS) of Muskegon County staff to apply for funding from the Department of Housing and Urban Development for rental assistance and administrative costs in the amount of \$15,989 through the 2008 HUD SuperNofa, Continuum of Care Program for permanent supportive housing with CMHS of Muskegon County providing \$14,370 in supports as

the in-kind match. MOTION CARRIED.

Personnel/Recipient Rights Committee via Bill Gill

CMHB-08-094 – It was moved by Mr. Gill, seconded by Mr. Snider, to approve the Recipient Rights Report for the month of July 2008. MOTION CARRIED.

Finance Committee via I. John Snider

CMHB-08-095 – It was moved by Mr. Snider, seconded by Mr. Christiansen, to approve the expenditures for the month ending July 31, 2008, in the amount of \$5,836,611.88. MOTION CARRIED.

CMHB-08-096 – It was moved by Mr. Snider, seconded by Mr. Gaultney, to approve the “Amendment to the Employment Agreement between the County of Muskegon and John North, Muskegon County Community Mental Health Director”. This amendment raises the employee contribution to the MERS Retirement System from 2.7 percent of payroll to 3.7 percent, effective October 1, 2008. MOTION CARRIED.

CMHB-08-097 – It was moved by Mr. Snider, seconded by Mr. Gill, to authorize the Community Mental Health Director to sign a contract with Community Health of Branch County and Hillsdale Community Health Center for Adult Inpatient Services effective October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2009 at the per diem rate of \$594.00 and \$625.00 respectively. MOTION CARRIED.

CMHB-08-098 – It was moved by Mr. Snider, seconded by Mr. Gaultney, to authorize the Community Mental Health Director to sign a contract with those service vendors/providers who have submitted written agreements to continue service provision at the current Fiscal Year 2007/2008 rates for the time period effective October 1, 2008, through September 30, 2009. MOTION CARRIED.

CMHB-08-099 – It was moved by Mr. Snider, seconded by Mr. Gaultney, to affirm continuation of Community Mental Health agreements that are non-expiring and include state facilities, Medicaid health plans, interagency agreements that have no monetary exchange, colleges/universities, Community Mental Health Services Program Board access agreements (County of Financial Responsibility), substance abuse referral agreements, and nursing home agreements. With the exception of the state facilities, these agreements are primarily for coordination and collaboration of our services. All may be terminated by written notification to the other party with an effective date of termination. MOTION CARRIED.

CMHB-08-100 – It was moved by Mr. Snider, seconded by Mr. Buzzell, to contract with the following agencies for additional services effective October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2009, at the identified rates. Disability Connection, Community Living Supports at a rate of \$4.51 per 15 minute unit, with a cap of \$8,000.00. Unified Health Partners, In-Home Nursing Care at a rate of \$7.92 RN per 15 minute unit, \$11.76 RN Holiday per 15 minute unit, \$6.58 LPN per 15 minute unit, and \$9.88 LPN Holiday per 15 minute unit, with a cap of \$8,000. MOTION CARRIED.

CMHB-08-101 – It was moved by Mr. Snider, seconded by Mr. Christiansen, to accept the proposed rate changes by those vendors/providers listed in Attachment A: FY 2008/2009 Proposed Vendor

Rate Changes, effective October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2009. MOTION CARRIED.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

Motion to Approve New Building Plans

CMHB-08-102 - It was moved by Mr. Gaultney, seconded by Mr. Gill, to approve the conceptual design for construction of a Community Mental Health Center adjacent to the John Halmond Center on East Apple Avenue. MOTION CARRIED.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Ralph Christiansen reported he has been appointed to the Jail Diversion workgroup. He stated that revisions to the reference book for law enforcement officials will be forthcoming.

Copies of the CMH by-laws were distributed. Board members were requested to review the by-laws and prepare for discussion which will be held at the September Program Committee meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business to report.

COMMUNICATION

Concept Paper from DCH

A Concept Paper recently received from DCH was included in the agenda for Board member review. This Concept Paper, titled "Focusing a Partnership for Renewal and Recommitment to Quality and Community in the Michigan Public Mental Health System", is intended as a stimulus for a dialogue to establish and improve local and regional partnerships.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

A written report was provided to the Board of activity within the agency during the past month.

In addition, Mr. North reported the following:

- Revisions to the County personnel rules were approved by the County Commissioners last week.
- The Community Mental Health of Muskegon County Annual Public Hearing is being planned for the evening of Wednesday, October 15, 2008. This hearing will provide information to the public, and allow time for comments and/or questions.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Ms. Peggy Selmon, Group Home Provider, commented on the Concept Paper from DCH. She feels the statement, *Case managers, psychiatrists and all mental health workers must concentrate on being "hope givers" not "hope takers" in their relationships with consumers* is very important when providing services.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 9:07 a.m.

Respectfully,

Josephine House
Board Secretary

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