

# FOREST-WARREN COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES

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ATOD/MH/DD Advisory Board Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, June 7, 2022  
Human Services 12:00 p.m.

**Present:** Alyce Busch (via Zoom), Shirley Edmondson (via Zoom), Amanda Hetrick, Pam Khare, Judy McDaid (via Zoom)

**Absent:** Spencer Duffee, Commissioner Eggleston, Nichole Harrison, Commissioner Huffman, Dr. John John, Lily Morse, Danell Sowers, Jessica Uber

**Staff Present:** Julie Lacki, Betsy Miller, Tammi Shippee, Annette Miller (Recording Secretary)

**Ex-Officio:** Susan Miller (via Zoom), Cheryl Burton (via Zoom)

**Guests:** Judy Baker, Jen Gesing (via Zoom), Gary Leet (via Zoom), Lisa Babo (via Zoom), Jean Berry (via Zoom), Kim Thurston (via Zoom)

## I INTRODUCTIONS

- Amanda Hetrick called the meeting to order.

## II MINUTES

- There was no quorum so the minutes from May 3, 2022 could not be approved.

## III TREASURER REPORT

- Betsy Miller shared that the current balance is \$1,400.99.
- Julie Lacki shared the funding request of \$50 for an adolescent ID/MH homeless client, who is in the EOC shelter. She is to go on her Senior Class trip tomorrow but has no spending money. Per Julie, she is not sure of the status if she is going or not. As there was no quorum to vote on the funding request, it was discussed that if she is going on the trip, the funding will come from elsewhere and next month we can vote on reimbursement.

## IV STATISTICS – Available in packet

## V UPDATES

- a) **ATOD-** Betsy Miller gave the ATOD report.
  - Betsy completed Provider monitoring of Deerfield, Family Services, EOC, and Beacon Light. All were in good shape with a few minor issues with Deerfield.
  - Last week DDAP visited for their yearly monitoring. We did well, with a few small issues. There is a question with contracting for Medication Assisted Treatment. There is an inconsistency in how DDAP wants the contract language and we are working on that. Also, we are required to have two providers

for every level of care, and are short two providers. One for hospital-based rehab and another for intervention. We also have no intervention providers for adolescents.

**b) MH-** Julie Lacki gave the MH report.

- They have money for summer camps for kids with mental health diagnosis. Referrals should be sent to Julie or Kayloni.
- There will be an opening for an Administrative Case Manager as a current worker will be leaving to be a therapist.
- Mobile Crisis is running as of yesterday, staffed with one person 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, and on call for evenings and weekends. Julie, Melissa Fitzgerald and Jan Burek have access to the system to see what calls are coming in.
- Deb Moses at Warren General Hospital retired and Jenna Dunning took over for her. Deb will work per diem as needed.

**c) DD/EI-** Tammi Shippee gave the DD report.

- DD has hired a new Supports Coordinator and are now fully staffed.
- Working on new contracts for both programs.
- There was an unexpected consumer death last week.
- EI had their State audit last week and all went well.
- EI has one staff still out on a medical leave so they continue to be short staffed.

**d) Managed Care-** Betsy Miller gave the Managed Care report.

- They continue to meet monthly as a Board and the various committees are still meeting.
- There will be a retreat for Board members next week with two great speakers. During the retreat they are to come up with goals for the contract. Betsy and Julie will be attending.

**e) Human Services Plan-** There was no Human Services Plan update.

**f) Other**

- Judy Baker shared some concerns from Rep. Rapp's office regarding the Crisis presentation given last week. Their concern relates to ambulance transport for voluntary admissions when many rural ambulance services have been discontinued. Julie stated that the goal of Mobile Crisis is to divert hospital admissions and feels that less people will be needing to go to the hospital.
- Rep. Rapp is in Harrisburg all month working on the budget.
- There is a concern with reimbursement rates for providers across the State. There is no local provider for the Autism waiver due to the low reimbursement rates.

**VI CONSUMER/FAMILY CONCERNS**

- Julie shared a concern expressed by Kord Kinney, Public Defender, in which lately there have been a number of people with mental health issues getting charged for small offenses and going to jail, where they do not belong,

**VII ADJOURNMENT**

- Amanda dismissed the meeting.
- Next Meeting is July 5, 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

*Annette Miller, Recording Secretary*