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Winnebago County
Community Mental
Health Board

Winnebago County Community Mental Health Board Minutes

Date: Wednesday, December 1st, 2021

Time: 2:00 PM CST

Location: Region 1 Planning Council, 127 N Wyman Street, 1st Floor, Rockford, IL 61101 or virtual at [Winnebago County Community Mental Health Board YouTube Page](#)

NOTICE: Consistent with [State of Illinois Executive Order 2020-07](#) to prevent the spread of COVID-19, Committee Members are permitted to participate in this meeting by conference call.

Called by: Mary Ann Abate: President

Members: Richard Kunnert: Vice President, Rev. Dr. K. Edward Copeland: Treasurer, Danielle Angileri: Secretary, Dr. Bill Gorski, Dr. Terry Giardini, Tim Nabors, Linda Sandquist

Advisory Members: Wendy Larson Bennett, Jay Ware

Director: Jason Holcomb, Region 1 Planning Council

Agenda:

A. Call to Order: President Mary Ann Abate called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM

B. Roll Call

- Mary Ann Abate: Present
- Richard Kunnert: Present
- Dr. K. Edward Copeland: Present (2:05 PM)
- Danielle Angileri: Present (Left at 2:03 PM after Resigning)
- Dr. Bill Gorski: Present
- Dr. Terry Giardini: Present
- Tim Nabors: Present (2:22 PM)
- Linda Sandquist: Absent
- Wendy Larson Bennett: Present
- Jay Ware: Absent
- Jason Holcomb: Present
- Guests: Brandy S. Quance, Zukowski, Rogers, Flood & McArdle; Kristen Hayden, Region 1 Planning



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C. Public Comment

1. Danielle Angileri, NAMI Northern Illinois
 - i. Ms Angileri is resigning from the Winnebago County Community Mental Health Board. She wants to thank the rest of the board and was honored to work alongside the other members for this awesome endeavor. She knows the board is in good hands. She is sad to be leaving but will still be around. Ms. Angileri stated if the members need anything she is happy to help however she can.
 - ii. Ms. Abate stated for the record that Ms. Angileri is leaving due to being the Executive Director of NAMI Northern Illinois. There is a possibility for NAMI to propose a program for funding. Due to this being a conflict Ms. Angileri resigned.

D. Presentations

1. No Presentation

E. Monthly Activity Report

1. Jason Holcomb, WCCMHB Director, gave the November 2021 activity report.
 - i. The highlights were a news release on the updated Strategic Plan and Notice of Funding Opportunity. There was good news coverage. Hosting the Convening Organizations to Collaborate (COC) meeting which had great attendance of around 40 attendees. The response during and after the COC meeting has been really positive for this kind of innovation that this board brings to funding and grant making. The agenda items for today of the updated Grant Application was the primary focus for the month. Getting all the necessary items ready. The Grant Seekers' meeting was recorded and is ready to post along with the Grant Application pending approval.





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F. Action Items

1. Officer Election – Secretary Nominations

- i. Mr. Kunnert nominates Dr. Bill Gorski

Motion: To elect Dr. Bill Gorski as Secretary was carried.

- i. Raised by: Mr. Kunnert
- ii. Seconded by: Dr. Giardini
1. Mary Ann Abate: Aye
 2. Richard Kunnert: Aye
 3. Dr. K. Edward Copeland: Aye
 4. Dr. Bill Gorski: Aye
 5. Dr. Terry Giardini: Aye
 6. Tim Nabors: Absent
 7. Linda Sandquist: Absent
- iii. Discussion: Dr. Gorski will accept with the caveat that minutes will be done by Region 1 Planning Council who is already coordinating the captions.

2. November 2021 Meeting Minutes

Motion: To approve the Month Year Meeting Minutes was carried.

- i. Raised by: Dr. Gorski
- ii. Seconded by: Mr. Kunnert
1. Mary Ann Abate: Aye
 2. Richard Kunnert: Aye
 3. Dr. K. Edward Copeland: Aye
 4. Dr. Bill Gorski: Aye
 5. Dr. Terry Giardini: Aye
 6. Tim Nabors: Absent
 7. Linda Sandquist: Absent
- iii. Discussion: None





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3. Funding Policy Updated

Motion: To accept the new revised Funding Policy was carried.

- i. Raised by: Mr. Kunnert
- ii. Seconded by: Dr. Copeland
 1. Mary Ann Abate: Aye
 2. Richard Kunnert: Aye
 3. Dr. K. Edward Copeland: Aye
 4. Dr. Bill Gorksi: Aye
 5. Dr. Terry Giardini: Aye
 6. Tim Nabors: Absent
 7. Linda Sandquist: Absent
- iii. Discussion: Updated to better clarify based on past experience. Better alinement with the Funding Agreement.

4. PY22-23 Grant Application

Motion: To accept the PY22-23 Grant Application was carried.

- i. Raised by: Mr. Kunnert
- ii. Seconded by: Dr. Copeland
 1. Mary Ann Abate: Aye
 2. Richard Kunnert: Aye
 3. Dr. K. Edward Copeland: Aye
 4. Dr. Bill Gorksi: Aye
 5. Dr. Terry Giardini: Aye
 6. Tim Nabors: Aye
 7. Linda Sandquist: Absent
- iii. Discussion: New Application for renewal of existing applications and new application. Updated scoring rubric included more clear compliance scoring.





5. Funding Agreement Updated

Motion: To accept the new revised Funding Agreement was carried.

- i. Raised by: Dr. Gairdini
- ii. Seconded by: Dr. Gorski
 1. Mary Ann Abate: Aye
 2. Richard Kunnert: Aye
 3. Dr. K. Edward Copeland: Aye
 4. Dr. Bill Gorksi: Aye
 5. Dr. Terry Giardini: Aye
 6. Tim Nabors: Absent
 7. Linda Sandquist: Absent
- iii. Discussion: Updated to better clarify based on past experience. Better alinement with the Funding Policy.

6. Board Member Affiliations (PY23 Grant Disqualifications) List Updated

Motion: To approve the PY23 Grant Disqualifications list was carried.

- i. Raised by: Dr. Giardini
- ii. Seconded by: Mr. Nabors
 1. Mary Ann Abate: Aye
 2. Richard Kunnert: Aye
 3. Dr. K. Edward Copeland: Aye
 4. Dr. Bill Gorksi: Aye
 5. Dr. Terry Giardini: Aye
 6. Tim Nabors: Aye
 7. Linda Sandquist: Absent
- iii. Discussion: The list was updated in response to the board member and affiliation changes.





G. Discussion Items

1. Annual Report Outline
 - i. Notes: An outline of the structure and content of the Annual Report was provided. We are still working with the Health Department as the fiscal agent to get the final fiscal year budget, revenue, and expenditures. It will be put into Brand Standards. As the Illinois Community Mental Health Act requires, a copy will go to the Chairman of the County Board by December 29th, 2021. Before the 120 days after the end of the fiscal year, it will be published in the newspaper.
2. Workforce Development Strategies
 - i. Notes: The Workforce Connection presented at the November LNC. The presentation was included with a local and regional approach. It was recommended that we follow up with the funded organizations on joining the regional approach and see the fee for service if that is a viable option.

H. Other Matters

1. No Other Matters

I. Adjournment

1. Motion: For Adjournment was carried. Adjourned at 2:41 PM
 - i. Raised by: Mr. Kunnert
 - ii. Seconded by: Dr. Giardini
 1. Mary Ann Abate: Aye
 2. Richard Kunnert: Aye
 3. Dr. K. Edward Copeland: Aye
 4. Dr. Bill Gorksi: Aye
 5. Dr. Terry Giardini: Aye
 6. Tim Nabors: Aye
 7. Linda Sandquist: Absent

