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Winnebago County
Community Mental
Health Board

Winnebago County Community Mental Health Board Minutes

Date: Wednesday, May 4th, 2022

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](#)

Called by: Mary Ann Abate: President

Members: Richard Kunnert: Vice President, Rev. Dr. K. Edward Copeland: Treasurer, Dr. Bill Gorski: Secretary, Dr. Terry Giardini, Tim Nabors, Linda Sandquist, Wendy Larson-Bennett

Advisory Members: Jay Ware, Jeanette Towns

Director: Jason Holcomb, Region 1 Planning Council

Agenda:

A. Call to Order: President Mary Ann Abate called the meeting to order at 2:01 PM

F. Actions Item (Schedule Change)

1. Moving Resolution Adopting Rules for Meeting Attendance Up

Motion: To move the Resolution Adopting Rules for Meeting Attendance Up.

- i. Raised by: Mr. Kunnert
- ii. Seconded by: Mr. Nabors
 - a. Motion **approved** by a unanimous vote of all Board Members present.
 - b. Absent Board Members: Dr. Bill Gorski, Wendy Larson-Bennett
- iii. Discussion: None



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B. Roll Call

- Mary Ann Abate: Present
- Richard Kunnert: Present
- Dr. K. Edward Copeland: Present
- Dr. Bill Gorski: Absent
- Dr. Terry Giardini: Present
- Tim Nabors: Present
- Linda Sandquist: Present
- Wendy Larson-Bennett: Absent at Roll Call, Voted in at 2:05 PM for Video attendance
- Jay Ware: Absent
- Jeanette Towns: Present (Video)
- Jason Holcomb: Present
- Guests: Chelsey Glatz, Region 1 Planning Council; Brandy S. Quance, Zukowski, Rogers, Flood & McArdle (Video); Stephanie Caltagerone, Children's Home and Aid

F. Actions Item (Schedule Change)

1. Resolution Adopting Rules for Meeting Attendance (F. 4. Original Agenda)

Motion: For the Board to approve the recommended policy for meeting attendance.

- i. Raised by: Mr. Kunnert
- ii. Seconded by: Dr. Copeland
 - a. Motion **approved** by a unanimous vote of all Board Members present.
 - b. Absent Board Members: Dr. Bill Gorski, Wendy Larson-Bennett
- iii. Discussion: None

2. Allow Wendy Larson-Bennett to Attend Virtually

Motion: To allow participation by remote attendance due to one of the factors set forth in the attendance policy pursuant to the Open Meetings Act.

- i. Raised by: Mrs. Sandquist
- ii. Seconded by: Mr. Nabors
 - a. Motion **approved** by a unanimous vote of all Board Members present.
 - b. Absent Board Members: Dr. Bill Gorski, Wendy Larson-Bennett
- iii. Discussion: None

Wendy Larson-Bennett enters at 2:05 PM for Video attendance



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C. Public Comment

1. No Public Comment

D. Presentations

1. CHASI Doula Program (Stephanie Caltagerone)

- i. Stephanie went over who is in the Doula team and what is a community-based doula. Described how doulas help the families and the benefits of doula work.
- ii. Board asked questions that Ms. Caltagerone answered.

E. Monthly Activity Report

1. Jason Holcomb, WCCMHB Director, gave the April 2022 Activity Report.
 - i. Notes: Branded gear has been ordered. Many Community Engagement Events around Mental Health in the community.

F. Action Items (Original Items)

1. April 2022 Meeting Minutes

Motion: To approve the April 2022 Meeting Minutes.

- i. Raised by: Mr. Kunnert
- ii. Seconded by: Dr. Copeland
 - a. Motion **approved** by a unanimous vote of all Board Members present.
 - b. Absent Board Members: Dr. Bill Gorski
- iii. Discussion: None



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2. Resolution Authorizing the Winnebago County Mental Health Board Funding and Allocation of Grant Funds for New Applications for Program Year 2022-2023

Motion: To approve the Resolution Authorizing the Winnebago County Mental Health Board Funding and Allocation of Grant Funds for New Applications for Program Year 2022 to 2023.

- i. Raised by: Dr. Giardini
- ii. Seconded by: Mr. Nabors
 - a. Motion **approved** by a roll call vote.
 - Mary Ann Abate: Aye
 - Richard Kunnert: Aye
 - Dr. K. Edward Copeland: Aye
 - Dr. Bill Gorski: Absent
 - Dr. Terry Giardini: Aye
 - Tim Nabors: Aye
 - Linda Sandquist: Aye
 - Wendy Larson-Bennett: Aye
- iii. Discussion: Special conditions have been dictated within the Work Plan for Rockford Park District. The Funding is contingent on the execution of the Work Plan that prior to the Park District receiving any funding they have to submit a mental health program plan with a contract demonstrating their multi-year commitment to mental health programming at the Equine Center. Additionally, a policy on how they will reimburse funds should that multi-year commitment not be met. This will come back to the Board for approval before any checks are written.

3. PY21-22 Budget Amendments

Motion: To approve the Budget Amendment for Rosecrance.

- i. Raised by: Mr. Kunnert
- ii. Seconded by: Mr. Nabors
 - a. Motion **approved** by a roll call vote.
 - Mary Ann Abate: Aye
 - Richard Kunnert: Aye
 - Dr. K. Edward Copeland: Aye
 - Dr. Bill Gorski: Absent
 - Dr. Terry Giardini: Aye
 - Tim Nabors: Aye
 - Linda Sandquist: Aye
 - Wendy Larson-Bennett: Aye
- iii. Discussion: None



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4. Resolution Adopting Rules for Meeting Attendance

Voted on it earlier in the meeting.

5. Resolution Adopting a Policy on Advisors

Motion: To approve the Resolution Adopting a Policy on Advisors.

- i. Raised by: Dr. Giardini
- ii. Seconded by: Mr. Kunnert
 - a. Motion **approved** by a roll call vote.
 - Mary Ann Abate: Aye
 - Richard Kunnert: Aye
 - Dr. K. Edward Copeland: Aye
 - Dr. Bill Gorski: Absent
 - Dr. Terry Giardini: Aye
 - Tim Nabors: Aye
 - Linda Sandquist: Aye
 - Wendy Larson-Bennett: Aye
 - iii. Discussion: Jay Ware officially resigned. Clarification was made that Jenette Towns' role as an advisor remains. Should she resign, the position would not be replaced. Mrs. Larson-Bennett would like the Board to consider new procedures. Mrs. Qunace recommends the Board consider subcommittees as that is more in line with what a Board would do rather than appoint advisors.

6. Adoption of Policies and Procedures

Motion: To approve the adoption of policies and procedures.

- i. Raised by: Mr. Kunnert
- ii. Seconded by: Mr. Nabors
 - a. Motion **approved** by a unanimous vote of all Board Members present.
 - b. Absent Board Members: Dr. Gorski
- iii. Discussion: None



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G. Discussion Items

1. No Discussion Items

H. Other Matters

1. No Other Matters

I. Adjournment

1. Motion: For Adjournment was carried. Adjourned at 2:47 PM
 - i. Raised by: Mr. Kunnert
 - ii. Seconded by: Dr. Copeland
 - a. Motion **approved** by a unanimous vote of all Board Members present.
 - b. Absent Board Members: Dr. Gorski