

## WINNEBAGO COUNTY COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH BOARD MINUTES

**Date:** Wednesday March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021

**Time:** 2:00 PM

**Location:** Region 1 Planning Council, 127 N Wyman Street, 1<sup>st</sup> 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, Dr. Julie Morris, Tim Nabors, Linda Sandquist

**Advisory Members:** Wendy Larson Bennett, Jay Ware

**Staff Liaison:** Jason Holcomb, Region 1 Planning Council

**Guests:** Paul Logli, United Way; Atty. David McArdle and Atty. Brandy Quance, WCCMHB Legal Counsel

### **Agenda:**

A. Call to Order by Mary Ann Abate at 2:00PM CST

B. Roll call: Mary Ann Abate, Dick Kunnert, Danielle Angileri, Dr. Bill Gorski, Dr. Terry Giardini, Dr. Julie Morris, Tim Nabors, Linda Sandquist, Wendy Larson Bennett

C. Public Comment: None

D. Action Items

1. Meeting Minutes (02/03/21): Mr. Kunnert motioned to approve the minutes from February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021 and Mr. Nabors moves second. All approved.
2. United Way Grant Deadline Extension Request: Mr. Logli of United Way made a request for an extension on the proposal application. There was a conflict of interest with Mrs. Sandquist working with the United Way, and she no longer works for the organization. After that move was made, United Way only had two weeks to apply. The request is made to extend to March 9 and it came in before the closing deadline.

Mr. Kunnert moves that the WCCMHB allow an extension to the United Way. Dr. Gorski motions second. There was an open discussion about the unique situation that United Way was in and the request seems reasonable. Attorney McArdle requests a motion amendment: "Based on the elimination of a conflict of interest of a board member, the United Way has submitted an application extension request before the proposal deadline, to be extended to March 9." Mr. McArdle also suggests using roll calls on motions. COVID-19 rules for virtual meetings require roll call voting for everything.

Mr. Kunnert and Mr. Nabors withdraw their previous motions.

A motion to grant the United Way extension request, based on the fact that there was an elimination of a conflict of interest of a WCCMHB member, the requested extension was timely and requested before the deadline was reached, the applicant will file their request by March 9 by Mr. Nabors. Mr. Kunnert motions second. Mary Ann Abate: Yes. Dick Kunnert: Yes. Danielle Angileri: Yes. Dr. Bill Gorski: Yes. Dr. Terry Giardini: Yes. Dr. Julie Morris: Yes. Tim Nabors: Yes. Linda Sandquist: Abstained. Approved.

3. Funding Agreements: *Motion to approve the Winnebago County Community Mental Health Board Funding Agreement for the 2022 Program Year, subject to final review by the Community Health Coordinator and WCCMHB legal counsel prior to distribution to grant applicants.* Agreement attached in Board packet. Mr. Kunnert moves to approve the motion and Mr. Nabors moves second. Mary Ann Abate: Yes. Dick Kunnert: Yes. Danielle Angileri: Yes. Dr. Bill Gorski: Yes. Dr. Terry Giardini: Yes. Dr. Julie Morris: Yes. Tim Nabors: Yes. Linda Sandquist: Yes. Approved.

The above motion will allow the WCCMB to send funding agreements now to all grant applicants, so they can do internal legal or administrative review. This will allow a quicker turnaround for requests in the future.

The funding agreements have potential to be sent out with the grant applications in the future.

Our legal representation has much experience with McHenry County 708 Board and will be instrumental in our policy structure.

4. Fiscal Year 2020 Annual Report Attached in Board packet. A motion to approve the 2020 Annual Report was made by Dr. Morris and Dr. Giardini motions second. Mary Ann Abate: Yes. Dick Kunnert: Yes. Danielle Angileri: Yes. Dr. Bill Gorski: Yes. Dr. Terry Giardini: Yes. Dr. Julie Morris: Yes. Tim Nabors: Yes. Linda Sandquist: Yes. Approved.
5. Communications Plan: Defining target audience, communication mechanisms and strategies, accessibility, transparency, best practices, and analytics. Plan attached in Board packet. Mr. Nabors motions to approve the communications plan and Dr. Gorski makes the second motion. Mary Ann Abate: Yes. Dick Kunnert: Yes. Danielle Angileri: Yes. Dr. Bill Gorski: Yes. Dr. Terry Giardini: Yes. Dr. Julie Morris: Yes. Tim Nabors: Yes. Linda Sandquist: Yes. Approved.

Discussion on American Sign Language interpreter in meetings.

#### E. Discussion Items

1. Grants Evaluations Assignments and Process: We have received 17 different applications from 15 unique organizations. There are several collaborative requests. The requests totaled \$11.2 million. We have \$8.8 million to allocate. Mrs. Abate, Mr. Kunnert. Ms. Angileri, Mrs. Sandquist, and Mr. Giardini will score all applications. All board members are encouraged to review applications.

F. Other Matters: None

G. Adjournment motion by Dr. Giardini and a second motion by Dr. Gorski. Mary Ann Abate: Yes. Dick Kunnert: Yes. Danielle Angileri: Yes. Dr. Bill Gorski: Yes. Dr. Terry Giardini: Yes. Dr. Julie Morris: Yes. Tim Nabors: Yes. Linda Sandquist: Yes. Approved. Meeting adjourned at 2:57PM.