Community Services Board Meeting
Minutes of August 16, 2017

Present: Brian Hart, Joseph Cevette, Pam Overdurf, Dr. Pavilard, Leisa Alger, Amy Jones, Lori Murphy, Rene Snyder, Jennifer Emery

Excused: Melanie Rahr, David Andreine, Michelle Johnson, Rosemary Anthony, Kyle Saxton

Absent: April O’Laughlin

Guests: Stephanie Reardon

Minutes:

Approved with changes as noted below:

Guests: Steven DeWater, Alice McKinzie

Sub-Committee Reports

- Nominating
  a. Dr. Fisher has given his resignation after many years of service on the CSB.
  b. The Committee is recommending Dr. John Alves form Eastside Medical. After a brief description of his experience as a Primary Care Physician, who also has experience prescribing Suboxone, a motion for acceptance was made by Leisa and seconded by Pam. Vote was unanimous to approve this nomination.

- Mental Health
  a. Suicide Prevention Week: Reminder that Suicide Prevention Week starts September 10th 2017. A 60 second commercial with a couple members of the community in front of a green screen. The committee will be replanting the garden at Eldridge Park with mums and volunteers are welcome. There is a change for the SafeTALK Training - it will now be held at EPC on Friday September 15th at 1pm.
  
- Teen Library Lock-In: About 40 teenagers attended the event. The Youth Bureau provided transportation and it looked like the kids were really enjoying all the planned activities. Other Agencies that set up tables were Trinity and Planned Parenthood.
SOS Training: Shannon had a request to do this training from a Horseheads High School Summer School Teacher. She presented to four classes, grades 9 through 12 last week. This was her first time in the Horseheads School District.

NYS Suicide Prevention Conference: It will be held on September 18th & 19th with lunch being provided. Dr. Cassetta, and Scott Lowmaster are previous award recipients, and this year Scott Mayer from Bradford County will be receiving an award. Scott is very involved in local efforts in Chemung and other neighboring NYS counties as well.

Safe-Talk Training: NYS Department of Transportation, which has a 5 County Region, would like Shannon to train 400 people. There is interest from a woman in Nichols NY who would like the training for her group.

I-Matter Festival: Last Tuesday evening they held a fundraising dinner and pre-sold 400 seats. The focus of iMatter is the young population (teenagers/young adults). Scott Lowmaster who is the Leader of this as well as the Journey Center asked Brian Hart to speak at the event. Brian didn't realize he was the Keynote Speaker until he looked at the program the night of the dinner. The fundraiser was well done and successful. Brian then attended this past Sunday’s iMatter Festival for a few hours. It was well attended with about 1500 people coming through the gates by 3:30pm.

Transformation Plan Data: The plan is on the OMH website. They have modified the plan to focus on taking away bed statewide. The state is way behind and now there is a proposal by the Legislature to take away the beds and move them to community based. In 2014 there were 2600 adult beds and today there are 2300 adult beds.

VBP University: Value Based Payment – Brian wanted to make everyone aware of the website to gather information. Their intent is to have no state aid going to clinics and housing providers. They want you to collect data, report on the data, and you only get paid if you report on the outcomes they want. It will be very difficult for those who don’t have data collection systems that can expand. Some agencies will have to merge with another or close. Question was asked if there will still be some fee for services, and the answer was they intend to move totally into managed care. But there is a distinct population that can’t be in managed care. Trying to access services and trying to understand what the state wants can be difficult. Agencies need to be prepared, as the rules today could be different tomorrow.
Substance Abuse

a. **Opioid Coalition Update:** Jennifer reported that the second meeting was held and twenty to twenty-five people attended. There was discussion on the infrastructure of the Coalition and should we do have the Coalition by ourselves or join others and have a Regional Coalition. It was suggested by members of the Bradford County Coalition that we consider having a couple of members form ours join theirs and vice versa. Things are moving quickly and sub-committees need to be developed, so they can report back to the Coalition.

b. **Breath-Body-Mind Conference:** The 5th Annual Chemung County Breath-Body-Mind Conference will be held on October 7th and 8th at the Holiday Inn Express in Horseheads NY. The skills from this could be used to teach children how to self-regulate, instead of being dependent on others.

c. **Speaker Jam:** They hold these one day workshops from time to time. There were about 50 to 60 people there. Our House, Trinity, and Al-Anon were there and people shared personal stories

d. **Glenn Jarvis:** Glenn announced that he will be leaving Our House and has accepted a Clinical Supervisor position with the Mobile Outreach Treatment Program at Trinity in Tompkins and Tioga counties.

e. **CASA-Trinity:** They will be set up and sharing space with Glove House at this weekend’s Strong Kids/Safe Kids Event. They will be holding their 1st Annual CASA/Trinity Candlelight Vigil on August 31st for National Overdose Awareness Day at 7:00pm at Trinity of Chemung County.

Development Disability

a. **Waiver:** Pam reported that the 1115 Waiver will impact the way you will be funded. Making sure that there is no duplication, and taking those who are doing light jobs and combining into one care coordination. MSC’s are upset with the state and are worried that they may be out of a job. The deadline is in November, we should know more by then. Migrating the MSC workforce may be delayed as they work toward getting educational credits. There will be two Care Coordinator agencies in each area.

b. **START Resource Center:** A conference call was held between the county, ARC and FLPPS to clarify the different opinions being stated by FLPPS with regard to the use of the beds at the center being counted towards crisis stabilization 48 hour beds. After much discussion, the consensus was they will be counted presuming that the person is enrolled with START and has a co-occurring mental illness.
c. Able 2: They received their site certification for the two apartments on Church Street. The program opens this Friday with the same two individuals that were discussed in previous meetings.

d. Pathways: OMIG Audit was done in December 2016. They were asked to resend paperwork despite them providing over 1000 pages when they were here as OMIG stated Pathways didn’t provide information. Lesson learned… make sure every piece of paper saying when you gave it to them.

Director’s report

a. OASAS trend: The Attorney for the Conference will be meeting with OASAS to discuss how they are violating NYS Rules and Regulations. They are written in a way that for them to approve something you have to establish the need in the community and also the Local & County offices, as well as the State need to approve it. However, as of late, OASAS has gone directly to licensed providers asking them to start new services without knowledge of the LGU.

b. HBCI: OMH has offered to fund an expansion of Home and Community Based Intervention through CIDS that will expand staffing from 1 FTE to 3.5 FTEs and will focus on trying to keep kids out of the ER and free of hospitalizations.

c. Trinity Supported Housing: Trinity is applying for funds through OASAS to use capital dollars for the development of licensed supportive housing beds, presuming they can secure other funds to cover operational costs. They are working with statewide agencies to pursue these additional funds.

d. Children’s Health Homes: NYS DOH has changed the rules stating that Voluntary Foster Care Agencies serving health home eligible children will not be able to collect separate health homes rates accept the last 90 days of their stay, as they believe the existing bundle rate is inclusive of those costs.

e. Governor’s Task Force: Brian has been nominated to by the CLMHD to serve on a yet to be announced Governor’s Suicide Prevention Task Force.

The next meeting is scheduled for October 18, 2017 at 1:00.