Eastern Iowa MH/DS
Regional Advisory Committee Meeting
Scott County Administration Building
October 12, 2016

I. Welcome and Introductions: The meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm by CEO Johannsen.
Members Present: Governing Board Representative Jack Willey; *Melissa Peterson*; CDS Eskildsen; CEO Johannsen; CDS Bopes; *Catherine Hahn; Christine Shotwell*; CDS Elam; *Holly Parmer* and *Michele Becker*
Guests present: Dani W-Student with St. Ambrose/PLC

II. The Advisory Board Members reviewed agenda.
Nothing was added.

III. Election of Ex-Officio Members to the Governing Board.
Only 5 members at today's meeting with 6 members needed for a quorum therefore, a Survey Monkey will be extended to non available members from today's meeting in order to move this process forward. Discussion began by CEO Johannsen who noted Lynn Hilgendorf and Catherine Hahn have served in that capacity as Ex-Officio Members to the Governing Board. Board Representative Willey remarked the current 2 members have shared and participated very well and they, in his opinion, are welcome to remain on the Board. Christine Shotwell made a motion to have Members Hilgendorf and Hahn continue to represent the Region as ex-officio Members on the Governing Board. Melissa Peterson seconded the motion. All 5 members present voted "aye." In addition to all voting members present, 1 more response was received by the Survey Monkey from Member Susie Ruchtozke with an "aye" also. *These appointments will become effective upon approval by the Governing Board of the Region per the 28E:*

- Catherine Hahn has been nominated to serve in the capacity of a provider with term through 6/30/2017
- Lynn Hilgendorf has been nominated to serve in the capacity of a family member with a term of 7/1/2016-6/30/2018. Thank you for agreeing to serve Catherine and Lynn!

IV. Region Finances:
CEO Johannsen reported our cash position is approximately $9.2 million in reserves. The Region is awaiting a check for $500,000 from a special allocation by legislatures to our Region and Polk County.

V. Update on Crisis Services:
CEO Johannsen provided an update to the Regional Crisis Services System. He noted we are beginning to see utilization in crisis' and deflections from the ED as we implement the program. CDS Bopes reported a meeting with RYC was just held this morning and to date, all hospitals within the Region are live with telehealth, located in all ED departments. She reminded everyone that it is still voluntary for usage but we should anticipate a decrease 48 hour holds. Crisis Services are a cornerstone of the Region and DHS indicates we are doing this well, per GB member Willey. RYC is skilled at collecting data and DHS is also interested in this ability to collect and interpret.

VI. Review Regional Strategic Plan:

CEO Johannsen noted Regional staff spent two days with Jeff Schott, Institute of Public Affairs from the University of Iowa, who facilitated meetings with the Management Team and then with the Management Team and the Governing Board. This is in an effort of the GB to seek direction for the next 3 years. Issues and concerns were addressed along with new projects and initiatives. Crisis Services continues to be a priority as we move into the 2nd year and tied for 2nd place is to respond to the need for a dedicated CEO as currently our Region operates on a yearly rotation with the Governing Board Chair. A survey of other Regions was conducted and all indicate that they have a dedicated CEO. Procedural issues were also listed as priorities such as an RFP for HIPAA technical assistance, supported housing as a "big" issue and a substitute decision maker program as a Regional process.

Sustainable revenue is seen as a priority within the Region. The goal, per CDS Elam, is to remove the frozen dollar cap and allow counties and BOS/Regions to set a levy as needed. CDS Elam also noted the requests are sensible with the biggest concern is providers are hesitant to develop new services without assurance of sustainable funds. The message is loud and clear, stated CDS Elam-legislatures just need to take action. GB member Willey also noted he is in favor of providing training for law enforcement agencies and this is also on the Region's radar. Other items are a website development that is still in process. Member Hahn asked about the CON hearing and CDS Elam provided a detailed accounting of the process and informed the group that it had been suspended and expected to be finished at the next hearing slated for October 27th 2016.

VII. Other Items:

No comments.

VIII: Public Comment:

No comments.

IX: Next Meeting:

Meeting dates and times are: January 11th, 2017, April 12th, 2017, July 12th, 2017 and October 11th, 2017. Times are from 4pm-6pm still at the Scott County Administration Building with room location yet to be determined.

Meeting adjourned at 4:58 pm

Respectfully Submitted-CDS Eskildsen, Clinton County