

Eastern Iowa MH/DS Region
Governing Board of Directors Meeting
Scott County Administrative Center, 1st Floor Boardroom
May 18, 2015

The MH/DS Governing Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 3:00PM by Chair Willey. Deerberg, Earnhardt, Kelly, Willey, Hahn and Hilgendorf were present. Supervisor John Staszewski attended on behalf of Clinton Co. Guests: Denise Beenk, Annie Armknecht, and Diane Holst.

Moved by Kelly, seconded by Earnhardt to approve the agenda as presented. All ayes.

Moved by Kelly, seconded by Willey for approval of the minutes of the April 20, 2015 Governing Board of Directors Meeting. Discussion was held. Earnhardt asked that at the end of the minutes the next meeting date be listed. All ayes.

Elam reviewed the financial reports. The current balance is \$2,688,085.49. Moved by Deerberg, seconded by Earnhardt for approval of the financial reports. All ayes.

Bopes discussed the Mental Health Advocate bill signed into legislature. Effective 7/1/15 counties will appoint and oversee the advocates work instead of the courts. The current advocates will be grandfathered in. The Region will need to look at hiring for this position due to the current Mental Health Advocate for The Region retiring. There is currently a 28-E in place for the 5 counties. The individual Boards of Supervisors will need to discuss and decide how they want to move forward. The counties will conduct a comparison of benefits to aid in the discussion.

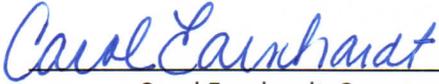
Bopes gave an update on Managed Care for Medicaid. The deadline to accept bids was extended to May 19, 2015 at 2:00PM. DHS will most likely compile a list of the MCOs that submitted bids. CM&MHDS through ISAC is willing to move forward with looking into becoming an entity that TCM agencies can subcontract with once the MCOs are selected by DHS and begin their contracting process with entities.

Bopes gave an update on the Waiver Waiting List and status of Region protocol. Discussion was held.

Elam gave a legislative update. Discussion was held regarding status of bills and Mental Health Funding for the upcoming fiscal years. Legislators are being contacted and urged to address the Mental Health Funding concerns for the next fiscal year and years to follow.

CEO Report: Bopes reviewed the report. Fifty seven people attended de-escalation training held in Jackson County, funded by DECAT. Elam continues to attend legislative meetings. The Management Team met with representatives of Robert Young Center/Trinity to begin the process of implementing crisis services in the Region.

Earnhardt declared meeting adjourned at 4:05PM. The next meeting will be held June 15, 2015 at 3:00PM.



Carol Earnhardt, Secretary
Eastern Iowa MH/DS Region