

HANOVER TOWNSHIP MENTAL HEALTH BOARD

MINUTES of the MEETING

May 26, 2015

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Kathy Biesiadecki at 6:50 p.m.

Roll Call: Kathy Biesiadecki, Kim Lemke, Kim Baffa, Meghan Nelson and Trustee Mary Alice Benoit. Also present: Hanover Township Administrator James Barr, Mental Health Board Manager Kristin Vana, Hanover Township Clerk Katy Dolan Baumer and Mr. Brad F. De Ark.

Approval of the Agenda: Motion to approve the agenda was made by Ms. Nelson, seconded by Ms. Baffa. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Approval of the Minutes:

Motion to approve the minutes of the April 28, 2015 meeting was moved by Ms. Nelson, seconded by Ms. Lemke. Ayes: Ms. Biesiadecki, Ms. Lemke, Ms. Nelson, Ms. Baffa. Abstain: Trustee Benoit . Nays: None. The motion was approved.

Motion to approve the executive session minutes of March 24, 2015 was moved by Ms. Lemke, seconded by Ms. Nelson. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Approval of the Financials: Motion to approve the March 2015 financial statement was made by Ms. Nelson, seconded by Ms. Lemke. The motion was approved.

Ms. Biesiadecki Yes Ms. Nelson Yes Ms. Lemke Yes

Trustee Benoit Yes Ms. Baffa Yes

Motion to approve the April 2015 financials was made by Ms. Lemke, seconded by Ms. Nelson. The motion was approved.

Ms. Biesiadecki Yes Ms. Nelson Yes Ms. Lemke Yes

Trustee Benoit Yes Ms. Baffa Yes

Manager's Report: The Manager's Report was presented and reviewed. Manager informed board of Elgin City Ordinance that may affect A1 Cabs and the TIDE program and will follow up with the board when more information becomes available. Manager will investigate other avenues that may be available should the program change significantly.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

Staff Development Grant Request: Ecker Center for Mental Health: Ecker Center made a request for a staff development grant of \$1,200 towards the cost of a staff in-service on dealing with angry and hostile clients. Motion to approve the request was made by Ms. Nelson, seconded by Ms. Baffa. Discussion ensued. Ms. Biesiadecki called for a roll call vote. The motion was approved.

Ms. Biesiadecki	Yes	Ms. Nelson	Yes	Ms. Lemke	Yes
Trustee Benoit	Yes	Ms. Baffa	Yes		

Staff Development Grant Request: Renz Addiction Counseling Center: Renz made a request for a staff development grant of \$3,000 towards the cost of ACT, DTBT and CPR training for Renz staff members. Motion to approve the request was made by Ms. Lemke, seconded by Ms. Nelson. Discussion ensued. Ms. Biesiadecki called for a roll call vote. The motion was approved.

Ms. Biesiadecki	Yes	Ms. Nelson	Yes	Ms. Lemke	Yes
Trustee Benoit	Yes	Ms. Baffa	Yes		

Emergency Grant Request: Association for Individual Development: AID made a request for emergency funds in the amount of \$25,000 due to the proposed state budget cut to the psychiatric leadership grant. A motion to approve the grant was made by Ms. Nelson, seconded by Ms. Lemke. Discussion ensued. The board would like AID to resubmit their emergency grant application in August when the State of Illinois budget has been determined. Ms. Biesiadecki called for a roll call vote. The motion was denied.

Ms. Biesiadecki	No	Ms. Nelson	No	Ms. Lemke	No
Trustee Benoit	No	Ms. Baffa	No		

Planning Committee Review: Ms. Lemke and Ms. Nelson updated the board regarding the needs assessment. Focus groups are in the process of being scheduled and a survey will be created and distributed at the Streamwood Summer Celebration, in addition to a link to the website to complete the survey online. The survey will also be made available in the Hanover Happenings Newsletter being distributed to residents on August 1, 2015.

Site Visit Review: Shelter, Inc.: Ms. Lemke, Ms. Thomas and Manager Vana completed a site visit to Shelter, Inc. in Arlington Heights on May 8, 2015. There were no major concerns regarding the agency or the Healthy Family program. The needs of first time moms and their families are being met and the program itself seems to be very successful and well received. No additional follow up was recommended.

Election of Officers: The offices of Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson and Secretary are elected each year and no person may serve the same office for more than three consecutive terms.

Ms. Best, Ms. Biesiadecki and Ms. Lemke were nominated and agreed to continue in their current positions as Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson and Secretary. They were confirmed by unanimous voice vote. The new terms will begin July 1, 2015.

Executive Session: None

Other Business: Manager Vana gave an update regarding Centro de Informacion's emergency grant awarded in April. The State of Illinois reinstated cuts made on April 3, 2015 and because of this Centro returned the first \$9,000 installment of the \$18,000 emergency grant award. Centro has asked to keep \$1,500 to compensate for 6 weeks of reduced services. The board asked Manager to obtain additional information and recommended that due to the amount request being under the threshold of \$2,500, Manager Vana and Chairperson, Linda Best issue approval as necessary.

Manager Vana also discussed the status of the Psychiatric Medication Program. She has met with Ecker Center and Alexian Brothers Center for Mental Health to investigate the need of this program. Manager Vana will update the board at the next meeting in August.

Public Comment: Brad De Ark of 496 E. Chicago Street, Elgin, IL 60120 was present for the meeting and addressed the board. Mr. De Ark is with the Fox River Valley Initiative to improve behavioral health services in Kane County and was interested in learning more about the Hanover Township Mental Health Board. Manager Vana will follow up with Mr. De Ark and assist in educating him regarding the HTMHB.

Adjournment: There being no other business, Ms. Baffa moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Lemke seconded the motion. Motion was approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Kristin Vana
Mental Health Board Manager