Minutes of the
Winnebago County Mental Health Advisory Committee
Thursday, November 17, 2016 @ 8:00 a.m.
Winnebago County Health Department,
401 Division Street, Riverview Room, Rockford, IL

Present: Angie Goral (Chair), Philip Eaton, Carol Klint, Dr. Charles Smith, Matthew Toohey, Dr. Sandra Martell (ex officio)

Absent: Richard Kunnert

Support Staff Present: Mike Bacon, Karen Fiery, Harlan Johnson, Melissa Westphal and John Barlow (recorder)

Angie Goral called the meeting to order at 8:04 a.m.

Introduction of Guests / Public Participation: Taylor Utzig (WREX Channel 13 Reporter) covered the meeting and conducted interview with Dr. Sandra Martell after adjournment.

Approval of Agenda: Angie Goral asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Matthew Toohey moved and Phillip Eaton seconded to set the agenda, all members voted aye, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes:

a. October 27, 2016 Minutes: Angie Goral asked for a motion to approve the October 27, 2016 minutes. Matthew Toohey moved and Phillip Eaton seconded to approve the minutes. With that, all members voted aye, motion carried.

b. September 15, 2016 Minutes: Angie Goral asked for a motion to approve the September 15, 2016 minutes. Matthew Toohey noted correction needed under attendance to change his status from being Present to indicate Absent. Matthew Toohey moved and Phillip Eaton seconded to approve the corrected minutes. With that, all members voted aye in favor, motion carried.

Team (Sub-Committee) Activity Reports:

a. Data/Survey: Contact will be made in December 2016 with Penny Billman to obtain the Provider/Referent survey report. The repositories of the report will be on the Winnebago County and the Winnebago County Health Department websites.

b. Messaging/Marketing:

i. Approval of Minutes: Dr. Sandra Martell asked for a motion to approve the November 7, 2016 minutes. Angie Goral moved and Matthew Toohey seconded to approve the minutes. With that, all members voted aye, motion carried.
ii. Joint Meeting with Funding: A second joint meeting was held with the FundingSub-Committee on November 7, 2016. The meeting was held to discuss the draft proposed budget, increase the per capita from $20 to $25 as recommended at the last MHAC meeting, and to add descriptors to the general category budget lines. The committee deliberately used terminology from the Annual Report to reflect the categories of the Community Support System Framework that were used in the surveys. A handout of the proposed budget was reviewed and discussed. The establishment of a marketing campaign will focus on the target per capita funds and how the funds will be used to support mental health. The MHAC will need to represent its issues with the incoming Winnebago County Board Chairman to engage his support.

c. Funding/Recommendations: Reported with Messaging/Marketing.

Community Health Improvement Plan – Wellness Focused Winnebago:

a. Action Plans: Discussion was held regarding reviewing the composition of the committee members, recruitment for vacancies and reviewing/revising the by-laws. A sub-committee was created consisting of Matthew Toohey, Dr. Charles Smith, and tentatively Richard Kunnert. The Illinois Compiled Statue (ILCS) 5/5/25027 is scheduled to end on December 31, 2018. Philip Eaton suggested that the Chief of the Rockford Fire Department be approached due to his interest in Mental Health issues and role as first responder.

b. IPLAN Steering Committee: Dr. Sandra Martell requested Committee members to attend the December 7, 2016 IPLAN Steering Committee meeting from 3:00-5:00 p.m. to coordinate IPLAN mental health actions. Dr. Charles Smith confirmed attendance and Matthew Toohey will confirm after reviewing his availability.

Updates:

a. Elected Official Goal: Discussion was held to ensure new elected officials are aware of the Mental Health Advisory Committee (MHAC) actions and proceedings; and to invite new officials to attend a MHAC meeting.

b. 1115 Medicaid Waiver: A public information notice on the 1115 waiver submitted to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) was distributed and discussed. Prior attempts were unsuccessful due to issues regarding source of funding match and lack of clarity on services that would be included. The current waiver references outcomes and value based payment similar to the pay for performance logic in primary care. The document is not clear on the metrics for outcomes. Richard Kunnert has been the most actively engaged member of the MHAC in this area and Matthew Toohey requested that Richard Kunnert provide a report on the 1115 waiver at each MHAC meeting.

c. Mental Health Board Impacts: Discussion was held to contact and invite Eileen Durkin (ACHMAI Executive Director) to December 15, 2016 MHAC meeting to provide a summary of what impacts mental health boards are having on other counties.
Meeting Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:11 a.m. with a motion by Matthew Toohey and seconded by Phillip Eaton, all members voted aye in favor, motion carried.

Approved by the Mental Health Advisory Committee 12/13/2016

Richard Kunnert, Secretary
Winnebago County Mental Health Advisory Committee

Next Meeting: December 15, 2016 at 8:00 a.m.; Winnebago County Health, 555 N. Court St., Room 115, Rockford, IL