Minutes of the
Winnebago County Mental Health Advisory Committee
Thursday, October 27, 2016 @ 8:00 a.m.
Winnebago County Health Department,
555 N. Court, Room 221, Rockford, IL

Present: Angie Goral (Chair), Richard Kunnert, Dr. Charles Smith, Dr. Sandra Martell (ex officio)

Absent: Philip Eaton, Carol Klint, Matthew Toohey,

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

Angie Goral called the meeting to order at 8:15 a.m. Angie Goral informed the Committee members that quorum was not present; meeting would be held for informational purposes.

Introduction of Guests / Public Participation: Angie Goral welcomed the guest in attendance; Mr. Eric O’Brien from Streamwood Behavioral Healthcare System.

Streamwood Behavioral Healthcare System (SBHS): Mr. O’Brien informed the Committee members that SBHS has reached out to Mercy Rockford Health Systems but has been unable to receive reply. Committee members agreed to assist SBHS to locate contact information to begin discussions.

Team (Sub-Committee) Activity Reports:


b. Messaging/Marketing:

i. Joint Meeting with Funding: A joint meeting was held with the Funding Committee on October 11, 2016. The meeting was held to determine how much it would cost and what it would take to fund mental health services. A proposed budget was drafted for mental health/behavioral health services along with assumptions and funding strategies. Discussion was held on the proposed budget. Determination was made to push the target per capita to read $25.00 and add basic descriptors to each priority area.

c. Funding/Recommendations: Nothing to report.

Community Health Improvement Plan – Wellness Focused Winnebago: 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. A sample charter was included and reviewed.
Updates:

i. 19th Annual – Clinical Aspects of Medical Psychiatry: Dr. Sandra Martell provided a brief on the seminar and the possibility of bringing speakers to a future meeting.

ii. League of Women Voter’s Event: Discussion was held on the event featuring Tom Dart speaking on the Shameful Criminalization of Mental Illness.

iii. Mental Health First Aid Training: A flyer from the McHenry County Mental Health Board for mental health first aid instructor training in April 2017 was included in the packet and discussed.

Meeting Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:02 a.m. with a motion by Angie Goral and seconded by Dr. Charles Smith, all members voted aye in favor, motion carried.

Approved by the Mental Health Advisory Committee  11.17.2016

Richard Kunhardt, Secretary
Winnebago County Mental Health Advisory Committee

Next Meeting: November 17, 2016 at 8:00 a.m.; Winnebago County Health, 555 N. Court St., Room 115, Rockford, IL