OGLE COUNTY COMMUNITY

MENTAL HEALTH (708) BOARD

MINUTES OF THE

February 5, 2009 Meetings

On February 5, 2009, Louise Hall, Secretary called a meeting of the 708 Board to order at 7:30 a.m. at the Ogle County Sheriff's Office, Jefferson Street, Oregon, Illinois, at the call of the secretary and a notice given to each board member and on notice posted at the Ogle County Courthouse and Ogle County Sheriff's Office. Louise Hall presided.

The secretary called the roll:

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**:** Louise Hall, Treasurer, Kathleen Wilson, Laura Medlar, Dorothy Bowers, Ogle County Board Liaison

ABSENT: Susan Schroeder Vice President, Marcia Heuer, and Emery Harmon

OTHERS PRESENT: Craig Carpenter of Village Of Progress; Jim Sarver and Kim James of Sinnissippi Center's Inc., Peg Richards of Ogle County Hospice, Kevin Bercaw and Susan Loyd of Lutheran Social Services of Illinois, Donna Moulton, Help Offer Protective Environment (HOPE of Ogle County)

The Chair announced a quorum.

Approval of Agenda: **Kathleen Wilson moved to accept the agenda as presented. Seconded by Dorothy Bowers. Motion carried unanimously.**

Review and approval of the December minutes was done. **Dorothy Bowers moved to approve the minutes for the December meeting as presented. Seconded by Kathe Wilson. Motion carried unanimously.**

Review and approval of the agency vouchers for February was done**. Dorothy Bowers moved to approve the vouchers for February as submitted. Seconded by Kathleen Wilson. Motion carried four ayes, no nays and three absent.**

After reviewing the financial report for February. **A motion was made by Kathleen Wilson to approve the financial report for February as presented. Dorothy Bowers seconded. Motion carried four ayes, no nays and three absent.**

Officer's Reports:

Sinnissippi Centers, Inc has presented a newspaper article to Kathleen Wilson for the month of January.

Dorothy Bowers no new information regarding comments from Board Members.

Election of a new president as Gordon Dockerty is moving out of the county was held. **Dorothy Bowers moved to nominate Kathleen Wilson, to fill the vacancy of President. Laura Medlar seconded. Dorothy Bowers moved to close the nominations. Laura Medlar seconded. Motion carried four ayes, no nays and three absent.**

Unfinished Business:

The video " A Crises in Caring " reported no new showings.

A review of the One Year Plan FY 2009 was done by the Board a motion was made by **Dorothy Bowers to accept the plan as presented. Seconded by Laura Medlar.**

The Special Funding Request was tabled until the next meeting.

Ogle County Behavioral Health Survey Questionnaire report by Dorothy Bowers. Dorothy Bowers reported that only seven county board members filed out the survey and gave it back to her. She will ask if anyone else has filled out the survey at the next County Board meeting. Kathe Wilson took the questionnaire to prepare a report for the next meeting.

Human Services Directory and the new Agency Brochure are ready for distribution. Each member was given a packet with names and addresses of doctors, lawyers, city and township clerks, fire departments, police departments, schools and churches in the Ogle County to deliver.

The Agencies turned in the Mid-Year Reports and the Board will review and ask questions at the March meeting.

New Business:

Schedule regarding the Funding Reports for May were reviewed and changes made in the time and date for Hospice. The Court Reporter will be contacted to attend these meetings. A notice will be posted in the newspaper regarding accepting applications.

Agency Funding Hearing:

Jim Sarver of Sinnissippi Centers, Inc – reported that within the next five months they would be going through accreditation by the joint commission of accreditation. In February from the 23 through the 27 the Department of Alcohol and Substance Abuse will be here to visit each of our sites for our three-year license and certification survey.

It will show in our Mid-Year Report that all of our services are up at least 9%, our early intervention and family out patient are up by 54%, intervention and crises services are all up since June 2008.

Kim James reported on the workings of a two-year partnership with Rock River Center, Village of Progress, Hub City Senior Center and Sinnissippi Centers, Inc. to form a transportation project for Ogle County. They have collaborated with Lee County's transportation program called LOTS by expanding their grant to now include Ogle County. Some of the details are still being finalized, but at this time you could call Rock River Center and they could give you a phone number where you can call and make arrangements for transportation. The cost for just the ride is $2 and Medicare will pay for your ride if you make those arrangements with them. A press release will be coming out soon.

Our Domestic Violence Prevention Program was protocol approved on January 1, 2009 and there is a new law where if any abuser is arrested for violating an Order of Protection they had to undergo a risk assessment and those risk assessments had to be provided by a protocol approved provider and that is something we can now do. It required that we have 60 hours of training and three of the Sinnissippi Staff attended.

Donna Moulton of Hope – reports that tomorrow night Rotary of Rochelle will be putting on a fundraiser called "From the Heart" and we will be one of the beneficiaries of the event. The shelter is full with lots of folks coming through that need services that are provided by some of the other agencies.

They have been having their clients fill out a survey, that they hope will help identify coalitions for more formal collaboration to the department of human services showing the need for guidelines in working with these folks.

Kevin Bercaw and Susan Lloyd of Lutheran Social Services of Illinois - Susan Loyd reported they have been very active so far this year. This is the first time in some time that we did not have to place Ogle County Teens in another county. The Counseling Program for DFI will have their review on the 16th of this month.

Kevin Bercaw announced that Judy Nettz has retired and he will be taking her place. They started a sixteen-week class at Etnyre Middle School with Self Esteem and Decision Making Class for all 6th Grade Students.

Craig Carpenter of the Village of Progress reported that they have just finished the review of the Christmas List Program at the Village and have received approximately $16,000 from 117 donors.

Department of Human Services came up with about 2/3rds of the funds that we were expecting. Hopefully soon they will get organized and we will be able to receive funds on a monthly basis in order to operate properly.

Village of Progress Foundation has been given notice that Kable's will be leaving the Herman Building and moving to Ohio by the end of April. It may work out that we will get the bid for more work for Wahl Clipper of Sterling who is looking for additional packaging with Cosco and require packaging and storing and they could use some of the Herman Building for this process.

We have 15 Special Ed Students participating in the SOAR Program. These students are looking for transition programs and this is where the Village can be involved. One of the bonuses of this has been that we have gotten a couple of pretty good basketball players and this time for the first time we are advancing down to state to participate in the Special Olympics because of these new clients. The clients have really enjoyed this and they will go down to ISU in March to participate.

Peg Richards of Ogle County Hospice - reports that the new Hospice Home is up and the name given to it is the Serenity Home. They will have the Public Open House on February 21st from 10:a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and she invited everyone to attend. This is the first Rural Hospice Home in Illinois and the second Free Standing in Illinois. We still have a lot of public and professional education training of doctors, nurse practitioners and social workers as to how to use the home also. We have been busy but will be busier.

We have three surveys before we can be up and running. The building has to be inspected by a Department of Public Health Architect next week, then an inspection of Health Care Surveyors to make sure everything is secure and then we take in some patients and then they come back and see how everything is being handled and if everything is good then we can begin getting Medicare Payments.

Russ Shurbet of Easter Seals Children's Development Center - absent

There being no objection the meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting will be March 5, 2009 at the Ogle County Sheriff's Office, Training Room, Jefferson Street, Oregon, IL.

Respectfully submitted,
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Recording Secretary

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Approved: March 5, 2009

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Kathleen Wilson, President Louise Hall, Secretary/Treasurer