OGLE COUNTY COMMUNITY

MENTAL HEALTH (708) BOARD

MINUTES OF THE

August 5, 2010 Meetings

On August 5, 2010, Kathleen Wilson, President 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. Kathleen Wilson presided.

The secretary called the roll:

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Kathleen Wilson, President, Susan Schroeder, Vice President, Louise Hall, Treasurer, Marcia Heuer, Seth McCanse, Wendy Howarter, and Dorothy Bowers, Ogle County Board Liaison

ABSENT: Laura Medlar

OTHERS PRESENT: Larry Prindaville of Sinnissippi Center's Inc., Lorrie Bearrows of Ogle County Hospice, Ruth Carter of Help Offer Protective Environment (HOPE of Ogle County) Kathleen Kurtz and Missy Wilson of Easter Seals Children's Development Center and Craig Carpenter of Village of Progress

The Chair announced a quorum.

Approval of Agenda: **Louise Hall moved to accept the agenda as presented. Dorothy Bowers seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

Review and approval of the May minutes was done. **Louise Hall moved to approve the May meeting minutes as presented. Seconded by Dorothy Bowers. Motion carried unanimously.**

Review and approval of the agency vouchers for June, July and August was done**. Marcia Heuer moved to approve the vouchers for June, July and August as submitted. Dorothy Bowers seconded. Motion carried seven ayes, no nays and one absent.**

After reviewing the financial reports for June, July and August. **A motion was made by Dorothy Bowers to approve the financial reports for June, July and August. Seth McCanse seconded. Motion carried seven ayes, no nays and one absent.**

Officer's Reports:

Kathe Wilson had received the Ogle County HEW Levy Request Application. Everyone reviewed the same and gave input to Kathe for the request. The 708 Board hearing will be on August 25th

Newspaper article for July was Hope and this month is Easter Seals.

Unfinished Business:

The video " A Crises in Caring " several people saw the video lately

New Business:

Funding Application changes at this time only a strong emphasis on Exhibit III.3

Please list by program/service the following for each county served by your agency during the most **recent completed calendar year. (This means January 1st through December 31st)** (Using the excel worksheet provided include the data provided on the Mid-Year Report, in addition, report the prior six months date. **(Exhibit III.3)**

> **a.** Hours/Units: Number of hours of service provided, Note: if you use units instead of hours, please provide a short definition of units; and
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> **b.** Year-to-Date Clients: Number of unduplicated clients served (This is a body count).

The addition of the Year might be necessary to get the correct information. No change to anything else at this time.

Agency reports:

Lorrie Bearrows of Ogle County Hospice – Lorrie Bearrows reported that the groups are all up in the bereavement program it has escalated during the past six months even though our clients in hospice care are down. We are down 23% compared to the second quarter of last year. They are finding that people who have lost someone maybe three or five years ago are now looking for closure. These are people that have not been served by hospice. The current economic situation is causing these crises. We are very grateful for your funding of this program.

We have had staff reductions and have not replaced any staff member. We have moved people around to keep going and watching our inventory very closely.

Kathleen Kurtz and Missy Wilson of Easter Seals Children's Development Center – Kathleen Kurtz reported that they are using money from last year to pay for the Retreat that is planned for this September. We are happy to be able to hold the retreat again this year. We have lots of reservations already and it going to be held at Bishop Lane Retreat again.

We held a family film day again and 18 people from Ogle County were it attendance at the Show Place to watch the movie Shriek. It was very successful event for all that attended.

The annual sibling event at Coco Keys had 8 families in attendance it went well.

The Rochelle Parent Group will be starting up again in September they took a break for the summer.

Ruth Carter Director of Hope – Ruth Carter reported that they have at least a 20% cut in funding from the state. We have seen an increase and that is probably due to the economy. They are working hard to create a positive environment.

We are in need of some volunteer help for the Renovation of the Transitional Housing

We are going to have the annual Domestic Violence Fund Raiser in October

Larry Prindaville of Sinnissippi Centers, Inc – Larry Prindaville reported good news that the Sinnissippi Centers, Inc. continues to deliver services to tens of thousands of Ogle County residents. The other side of this is that without funding we will not be able to meet all of the needs of these clients. We have been notified of over $200,000 in cuts and there is going to be additional cuts. At the present time the state of Illinois owes us over two million dollars. This is the first time in over 12 years that we had to borrow money to make payroll.

Many clients in need are going unserved.

The supervisor of the Oregon Office for the past 5 years has resigned and we are looking to fill that position within. Dr. Tom Dinnison has been with Sinnissippi for 6 years will be resigning effective September 1st and we will have a hard time finding someone to take his place. We are not sure as of today who will be taking care of his clients it is going to be a challenge. We do appreciate your support as we go through these times.

Craig Carpenter of the Village of Progress – Craig Carpenter reported that the 18th Annual Golf Outing was successful and we made about $8,000. The other good news is the Day Camp Contributions which come in from the community this year is one our best years ever. Over the past three years our contributions have been good. We are very fortunate. This is the best year we have ever had in our sub contract sales. This is due to Wal Clipper out of Sterling this is the first time our contract sales with them exceeded $500,000 this has been a great help for our cash flow with the State being so far behind in payments to us. We are using about 70% of the Foundation Building for storage of the

inventory prior to it being distributed. We are also doing something for Target along with Wal Mart and Cosco. This is just a blessing for us and keeping our clients working.

The conversion to block grant funding to fee for service continues with everything going to Medicaid and this is part of that process. The cut off has been extended to September and we have 21 consumers that are being considered with 18 of them being accepted and 3 of them still waiting to hear. There will be many cuts to come. We are six months behind in payments from the state.

There being no objection the meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting will be September 2, 2010 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: September 2, 2010

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Kathleen Wilson, President Louise Hall, Secretary/Treasurer