



OGLE COUNTY COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH (708) BOARD

MINUTES OF THE December 6, 2018 Meeting

On December 6, 2018 Nick Head called a meeting of the 708 Board to order at 7:30 a.m. at the Ogle County Sheriff's Training Room, 202 South First 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. Nick Head presided.

The secretary called the roll:

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Nick Head, President, Kathleen Wilson, Tracy Brooks, Lowell Harp, Bill Sigler, Secretary/Treasurer, Marcella Haushahn and Dorothy Bowers, Vice President /Ogle County Board Liaison.

ABSENT: Amy Stephenitch and Margaret Tyne,

OTHERS PRESENT: Jennifer Thomason and Ashley Koza of Sinnissippi Center's Inc., Ruth Carter of HOPE, Lynn Knodle and Angie Theisen of Serenity Hospice and Home, Brion Brooks of the Village of Progress, Eileen Liezert, of Family Counseling Services, Jeremy Hooker of Lutheran Social Services of Illinois and Michelle Pauley of Rockford Sexual Assault Counseling, Inc.

Guest: Michelle Halverson

The Chair announced that we have a quorum.

Approval of Agenda:

Review and approval of the November minutes was done. **Lowell Harp moved to approve the November meeting minutes as presented. Marcella Haushahn seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

Officer's Reports:

Nick Head started off his report with an apology to Dorothy for his bluntness at the last meeting and Dorothy replied that she didn't mean to put him in a bad light. She went on

to tell him that she valued his opinion and leadership. Also, glad that he is going to continue as the president of the board.

Nick Head then handed out a new version of what we do at the meetings next year and asks that everyone review and we will discuss at the February Meeting.

Dorothy Bowers reported that regarding Shining Star meeting that they met last month and are still in the process of reorganization especially getting their name out there to make more awareness. Contacting churches and schools etc.

Dorothy Bowers stated that regarding Northern Illinois Children's Care Collaborative (CCC) met yesterday and they had several presentations. The lighting program is going on right now with Tri-County. Talked about the Toys for Tots and the lady that had been doing it has passed away but it is still out there in several places for Ogle County

Dorothy Bowers suggested that we should have a member on the Ogle County Partners Coalition. Jennifer Thomason reported that this is a group of interested people trying to not duplicate programs but provide the care and information to help those in need. Ogle County does not have this type of information as other counties and we are trying to get that established. The meetings are at the Rochelle County Building across from the Post Office and the meetings are the first Monday of the month from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. Nick Head suggested that anyone interested take time to attend the meeting in January.

HEW Committee she has nothing to report.

Unfinished Business:

Review of the By-Laws is to be done by each board member and discussed at the February meeting.

Kathe Wilson has been working on a new video and brochure has received updates from most of the agencies. Plans to do a new Brochure will be handled by Kathe Wilson and Marcella Haushahn.

Retreat to be discussed after the first of the year.

Regarding the Association of Community Mental Health Authorities of Illinois Kathe Wilson and Marcy Haushahn both had a problem with attending in December and will continue to look at this.

Nick Head reported that Project Open at the Health Department and they are going and have held an orientation meeting and I would like to invite Kyle Areman who is at the Health Department to come to the February meeting and let us know about the program.

Dorothy Bowers handed out information regarding the Comparison of Budgeted Appropriations and Levies for the past four years.

Budget discussion FY 2018-2019 year followed: **Dorothy Bowers moved to reduce each agency by 3% including the 708 expense. Bill Sigler seconded. Motion carried.** Much discussion followed regarding exactly what the percentage should be. **Dorothy Bowers moved to rescind her motion. Seconded by Lowell Harp. Motion carried.** After considerable discussion **Kathy Wilson moved to approve the revised Agency Budget for FY2019 with a 4.8% decrease of the previous request as follows:**

Lutheran Social Services of Illinois	\$ 21,420.
Village of Progress	\$365,925
Easter Seals Children’s Disabilities Center	\$ 14,447
Serenity Hospice and Home	\$ 25,704
HOPE	\$ 80,920
Sinnissippi Centers, Inc.	\$299,880
Rockford Sexual Assault Counseling	\$ 9,520
Total Agencies	\$817,816
708 Administration Expenses	\$ 6,684
Total 708 FY19	\$824,500.

Dorothy Bowers seconded. Motion carried on a roll call vote of seven ayes, no nays and two absent.

New Business:

Interview persons interested in the recording secretary position will continue.

Agency Reports:

Newspaper articles are December Hope and January Sinnissippi Centers, Inc.

County Board Member visits.

While discussing how to distribute the fund’s for FY19 President Nick Head had the agencies give a brief update on their agency and the secretary recorder didn’t get the information because much discussion was going on so she had nothing from the agencies to report. Merry Christmas to all.

Nick Head thanked Lowell Harp for his interest and support and serving on the 708 Board. Bill Sigler also commented on the pleasure of working with him. Lowell Harp said that it has been very rewarding.

At the close of the meeting a gift and gift card was presented to Cecilia Zimmerman as she is retiring from the Board.

Patti Mook of Easter Seals Children’s Development Center –

Jeremy Hooker of Lutheran Social Services of Illinois –

Patrick Phalen of Sinnissippi Centers, Inc. –

Brion Brooks of the Village of Progress –

Eileen M. Liezert, LCSW Executive Director of Family Counseling Services –

Maureen Mostacci, Executive Director, with Rockford Sexual Assault Counseling

Lynn Knodle of Serenity Hospice and Home –

Ruth Carter of Hope –

There being no objection the meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting will be February 7, 2019 at Ogle County Sheriff’s Department, 202 South First Street, Oregon, IL

Respectfully submitted,
Cecilia M. Zimmerman
Recording Secretary

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Approved: February 7, 2019

Nick Head, President

William Sigler, Secretary/Treasurer