

ARLINGTON COUNTY COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD
Mental Health Committee

April 25 2012
Approved 5/24/12

Members Present: Anne Hermann (Co-Chair), Judy Deane (Co-chair), Brian Berke, Tom Quinn, James Bradshaw, Richard Smith

Members Absent: Jeannette Turrell, Betsy Greer, Cindy Fagnoni, Susan Lowry, Gene Robinson, Sam Howlett, John Blount, Scott Brannon, Caroline Bragdon, Kathy Donovan

Staff Present: Alan Orenstein, PhD,

Guests Present: Margaret Christie

ACCESS Visit: The Committee visited the ACCESS program operated by Fellowship Resources, a vendor of the Behavioral Healthcare Division. The tour began at 5 pm and ended about 5:45pm. The house provides a 4 bed crisis stabilization service. Liv Salvador, the Program Manager, provided an overview of the clients served, services and activities provided, program staffing, and relationships with the ACCSB staff. She noted also that the program would be moving to a 6 bed house. The program has been enhanced in the last year to conform to State requirements allowing service to TDO clients and others as a diversion from hospitalization.

Call to Order: The Committee members met at the Clarendon House and the meeting was called to order by Ms. Hermann at 6:15 p.m.

Approval of Minutes: The Committee approved the February minutes with correction.

Mental Health Director's Report: Dr. Orenstein summarized the relevant adult MH items included in the FY13 County budget that were the subject of CSB advocacy: \$100,000 ongoing for supported employment services; \$66,000 one-time funding for young adult supported employment and education; and \$70,000 for a young adult Independent Living worker. The Peer Counselor services were not funded. The County also funded an additional 0.5 FTE Recovery Manager; 0.5 FTE Child Psychiatrist; and \$40,000 onetime for SA primary care services.

Dr. Orenstein asked for discussion of the Committee schedule through June. It was agreed that in order to assure time for budget priority discussions, a 6/6/12 meeting would be tentatively scheduled. Also, the Chair would attempt to finalize the date of the Joint meeting with SA, possibly postponed to the Fall if a mutually convenient date is not available. The date of the June meeting with the Child Committee will also need to be scheduled. Action: When meeting dates are decided, Dr. Orenstein will notify the members of the schedule.

To begin the budget discussion, Dr. Orenstein gave an extensive overview of adult mental health services. He distributed both an organization diagram of the programs under the purview of the Committee and a detailed program review summary describing the purpose, target population, costs, and service volume of each program.

Committee Chair's Report: None

Announcements: None

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm