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DHS Stambaugh Building Auditorium

2100 N. Washington Blvd

Arlington, Virginia

7:00 pm – Full Board Meeting

Members Present: James Mack, Anne Hermann, Judith Deane, Cynthia Fagnoni, Keith Whyte, Linda Kelleher, Scott Brannon, Brian DeAtley

Members Excused: Brain Berke, Jenette O’Keefe, David Kidwell, Naomi Verdugo, Barbara Jones, Moira Saucedo, Shauna Alonge

Staff Present: Cynthia Kemp, Farah Shakour, Kelly Mauller, Thomas Wallace, Suzanne Lane

Public Comment(s)

Mr. Atkins spoke about the Housing Committee Substitute Budget Resolution. He stated that there are two items included about affordable housing that apply to the CSB. He noted a County Resolution regarding tax exemptions for affordable housing provider organizations and stated that tax exemptions would streamline the flow of local government funds. Mr. Atkins expressed concerns that associated services with permanent supported housing were not allocated for in the County Budget. Chair Mack responded that the omission of funding for Permanent Supported Housing was due to a clerical error and was corrected. Chair Mack further stated that there is not a funding issue for services associated with PSH because the clients in PSH are clients who are already receiving services.

Approval of the April 17, 2013 ACCSB Meeting Minutes

ACCSB Chair Mack called for the review and approval of the minutes for the April 17, 2013 CSB full board meeting. The Members reviewed the minutes. Chair Mack called for a motion to approve the minutes. Ms. Hermann motioned to approve the minutes, Mr. Brannon seconded the motion and the minutes were approved with one correction.

Staff Recognition

Eileen Keane, Program Manager, Senior Adult Mental Health, Aging and Disability Services Division, was nominated to receive the May 15, 2013 CSB staff recognition award. Ms. Keane was nominated by Glenda Blake, Bureau Chief, Aging and Disability Services. Ms. Blake stated that Ms. Keane has been a visionary and a wonderful expert in geriatric mental health services. Ms. Blake stated that Ms. Keane is curious, energetic, has best business practice and has brought a great deal of revenue into the program. Ms. Blake thanked Ms. Keane for her contributions.

Dr. Spooont, Geriatric Psychiatrist, Aging and Disability Services recited several comments he received from his staff about Ms. Keane; best of the best, hard working and disciplined, genuine concern for the geriatric population and more. He spoke about her leadership and good sense of humor and stated that she has been a good mentor to staff in the Senior Adult Mental Health Services. He humorously added that he thinks Ms. Keane is a supreme negotiator. He further stated that Ms. Keane is a pleasure to work

with and has given him increased incentive to keep moving forward in the program. Dr. Spooant awarded her a special button that says "Hire Older Workers".

Chair Mack presented the CSB staff recognition award to Ms. Keane and stated that she is a role model for the CSB and thanked her. Ms. Keane stated that she is accepting the award for the entire Aging and Disabilities team because without all of them, she could not do what she does. Ms. Keane thanked everyone for their support and for the work they all do. Ms. Hermann stated that she appreciates Ms. Keane's passion, noting that she has contributed a tremendous amount of work to the Aging and Disability Services Division. Ms. Keane announced that she is completing her dissertation. Several group photos were taken.

Ms. Kemp thanked the CSB members for presenting the monthly awards. She noted that staff really appreciate being recognized for their efforts.

Approval to Seek Reimbursement for Competency to Restoration Services

Ms. Kemp distributed a recommendation (*Included in Member Packet*) to the board for CSB staff to request that the County approve and authorize the Department of Human Services (DHS) to seek reimbursement from the State for Competency Restoration services. Ms. Kemp stated that the Executive Committee discussed this at the Executive Committee meeting last week and approved the request to come to the full board. She stated that she is now seeking the Full Board's approval of the recommendation. Ms. Kemp clarified for the members that restoration to competency does not make a person competent in the bigger sense of the word; it means that the person is competent to understand the judicial process. Chair Mack asked about Not Guilty by Reason of Insanity (NGRI). Ms. Kemp responded that NGRI is a defense that a defense attorney would plead if it was determined that a person was so incapacitated at the time of committing a crime that they should have the NGRI defense. She stated that when an attorney uses the NGRI defense, depending on the seriousness of the crime, a person would be sent to either Central State Hospital or to Northern Virginia Mental Health Institute. Chair Mack called for a motion to approve the recommendation. Mr. Whyte motioned to approve the recommendation and Mr. Brannon seconded the approval. The motion was passed without objection.

Approval to Apply to Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services for Police Drop Off Funding

Ms. Kemp distributed a recommendation (*Refer to Handout*) to the members for CSB staff in the Behavioral Healthcare Division to pursue a grant with the state to expand police drop-off capability to provide an alternative to incarceration for people with serious mental illness. Ms. Kemp explained that this would allow police to "drop off" a person who is experiencing a psychiatric crisis safely and return into service quickly instead of having to wait through the evaluation process or the search for a bed. She noted that the time allowable by Code for finding a bed for a person is four hours and that that time can be extended an additional two hours with the Magistrate's approval. She stated that if a bed is not found for a person within this time frame, the person is free to leave.

Mr. DeAtley asked who is leading the grant efforts. Ms. Kemp responded that Leslie Weisman, Bureau Chief, Client Services Entry is heading the grant request along with Grace Guerrero, Jail Forensic Team Supervisor and staff from the police department. She stated that the request for security was made for Virginia Hospital Center as well as for the Edison Building. This funding would allow for security at both locations. With the funding of the grant, police drop off security would be available 24/7. Ms. Kemp noted that Ms. Weisman's team has received approval from Virginia Hospital Center to move forward with the request for additional security at their site. Ms. Kemp noted that the funding will last as long as the State can continue to provide it.

Mr. Atkins suggested that due to the Department of Human Services (DHS) plan to move the Behavioral Healthcare Division (including emergency mental health services) to the Sequoia in the next few years that language should be added to the contract regarding an alternate site from the Edison Building. Ms. Kemp

responded that state licensing would need to approve any additional or new sites and that the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services in Richmond who issues the funding would be involved in licensing the new site.

Ms. Kemp requested the Full Board's approval of the recommendation. Ms. Kelleher motioned to approve the recommendation. Ms. Hermann seconded the motion. The motion was passed without objection.

June 2013 Annual Awards Ceremony

Chair Mack stated that the annual CSB Awards Celebration will be held June 19, 2013. He noted that the Executive Committee has chosen staff and community partners to receive awards (*Included in Member Packet*).

- Ram Gopalan, Audrey Moss Award
- Diana Manganelli, Dr. Georgopoulos Award
- Ann Courembis, Lifetime Achievement Award
- Mindy Burgin, Liz Stratton, Patrick Gallagher, Alesia Montana, Peggy Morris, Lora Todaro, Karen Book Rambo, Team Award for Exemplary Documentation
- Dana Mertz, Community Partner Award
- Becky Suttell, Community Partner Award
- ANHSI, Community Partner Award
- Nakia Dawkins, Exemplary Admin Award
- Anabel Majano, Exemplary Admin Award
- Erin Azar, Exemplary Clinician Award
- Shelli Wargo, Exemplary Clinician Award
- Shaquana Banks, Exemplary Clinician Award

Ms. Shakour gave an overview of the schedule and room set up for the ceremony. She noted that Senator Barbara Favola will be in attendance to present a Resolution to the Arlington CSB commending a New Lease on Life Project Partners. Ms. Mauller passed around a food and beverage sign-up sheet to the members. Ms. Mauller will send an email to the full board with the list of items members will be bringing and request the remaining members email to her the food or beverage item they are bringing.

ACCSB Executive Director's Report

Ms. Kemp reported on the group homes (*Refer to Handout*). She stated that there were 19 incidents this month. She reported that one staff member was removed pending an investigation and that the incident was reported by another staff member.

Ms. Kemp gave an overview of the financial report (*Refer to Handout*). Ms. Kemp reported that CSB programs should be at 75% of the yearly target and they are at 69%. She stated that regular monitoring and improvements continue to be implemented. Ms. Kemp stated that Ms. Shakour and others from the Department met with members of the Alexandria CSB last month to review that CSB's billing processes. Ms. Kemp stated that the Department Director, Susanne Eisner, has scheduled a meeting to review the billing process and revenue at the department level. Ms. Kemp announced that the Department of Medical Services (DMAS) has awarded a contract to Magellan Health Services to now manage all of the SPO Medicaid services. This includes case management, support services, psychosocial and PACT. Magellan Health Services is a specialty health care management company that delivers innovative solutions in collaboration with health plans, corporations and government agencies and their members nationwide. She stated that instead of billing DMAS directly as we do now, Magellan will now oversee and manage the whole process. She reported that we will need to receive authorizations from Magellan for individuals eligible for each service.

Ms. Kemp stated that at the April 17, 2013 CSB Full Board meeting, Mr. Atkins asked if an MOU for the new Drug Court was needed. Ms. Kemp reported that the MOU was in the process of being completed at that time. She noted that the MOU is now signed and in place and will be added to the Interagency Agreement list.

Ms. Kemp announced that the proposal to apply for State funding from the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (DBHDS) that was approved by the CSB last month for regional mobile crisis and crisis stabilization services for children has been submitted. Mr. Wallace stated that there is a conference call scheduled next week regarding the proposal. Ms. Kemp noted that, if funded, the project will be a region wide service for children.

Ms. Kemp announced that the annual dinner sponsored by the members and Friends of Clarendon House and NAMI-Arlington is scheduled for Wednesday, June 12, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. The dinner will be held at 3141 North 10th Street in Arlington. She noted that the 2013 NAMI-Arlington Awards will be presented and that CSB member Ms. Deane has been nominated to receive an award.

ACCSB Chair's Report

Chair Mack reported that a letter of thanks was sent (*Included in Member Packet*) from the CSB to County Chair, Walter Tejada and the County Board Members. Chair Mack stated that the letter was sent to express the CSB's appreciation for the County Board taking the time to meet with the CSB regarding their FY14 Budget Priorities and approving the CSB's request in its totality.

Chair Mack reported that the CSB Executive Committee is continuing to discuss the State General Assembly legislative and budget issues for FY14. He stated that the CSB is working with advocacy groups to determine new issues and working with other CSBs and the VACSB to develop the issues.

Chair Mack re-stated that CSB Liaison, Mary Hynes, would like a member of the CSB appointed as representative to the CDCAC Committee. Chair Mack stated that the CDCAC advises the County Board about various aspects of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. He noted that schedule conflicts could be an issue in the fall if a CSB member is appointed and suggested the possibility of appointing two members who could alternate between CSB meetings and CDCAC meetings. He asked the members to consider people on their individual sub-committees who are connected to the CSB.

Chair Mack announced that three CSB members terms are ending; Ms. Deane, Mr. Berke and Ms. Fagnoni. He noted that Ms. Dean is willing to submit her name to the County Board for reinstatement to continue to serve as a CSB full board member. Ms. Fagnoni will be finishing her term and will not submit her name for reinstatement. Mr. Mack will speak with Mr. Berke about continuing to serve as a full board member. He noted that the CSB is seeking diverse candidates and suggested that the members consider persons serving on sub-committees and in the community. He asked that potential candidates be referred to him or Ms. Kemp for interviews.

Chair Mack announced that on May 1st, 2013 the new Recovery Center held a grand opening. He reported that there were refreshments and tours of the new Center and that the grand opening was well attended. He noted that the new Center is run by Recovery Program Solutions of Virginia (RPSV), however; the Arlington members have chosen a new name for the Center, "Peers Helping Peers in Recovery". He noted that this is a non-profit organization composed of persons who are in recovery. He stated that the staff is beginning to develop programming.

Report Out on ACCSB Retreat Initiatives

Mary Marshall Report

Ms. Hermann reported that licensing is moving forward with allowing new admissions at a rate of two per month at the Mary Marshall Assisted Living Residence (MMALR). Ms. Hermann noted that Ms. Skelly attended the May meeting on her behalf.

Informational Items

Ms. Kelleher announced that there is a Metro wide tour of affordable housing units scheduled for later this week. She stated that Arlington Partnership for Affordable Housing (APAHI) is showing two properties to acquaint the community about affordable housing. She asked the members if they received the flyer she emailed to them with the details of the event and stated that she has maps available to hand out tonight.

Mr. Brannon announced that Senator Favola is hosting a Democratic Party event at her home Thursday, May 16th from 6:30- 8:30 and he will be attending. He stated that he can provide directions for anyone who would like to attend and that all Arlingtonians are welcome.

Ms. Deane reported that she went on a field trip to the INOVA Psychiatric Assessment Center (IPAC). She stated the Center will have a full time, 24/7 psychiatrist and psychiatric nurse. She stated that the purpose of the Center is to keep people who are experiencing a psychiatric emergency out of the emergency room and provide them with specialized mental health treatment. She stated that the idea behind the center is to be able to provide assessments to people who are in crisis and then link them to CSB services or private providers. She noted that the Center is located on Prosperity Avenue near Merrifield, Virginia. She stated that the Center accepts insurance but is required to serve anyone in crisis whether they have insurance or not. Mr. Mack asked how the Center compares to Arlington's Emergency Services. Ms. Kemp responded that there are similarities but that this service is not the same as Emergency Services. Ms. Kemp stated that IPAC cannot detain a person and have them admitted to the hospital unless the person is willing to go. Ms. Kemp stated that the hospital provides the funding for the Center and accepts Medicare but not Medicaid. She noted that the Center will accept persons that are not from the Fairfax area and that there is no age restriction for person's being served.

Adjournment

The Arlington Community Services Board meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Kelly Mauller.