

Minutes for the 6/14/2011 MH/DD Advisory Board Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 10:12 a.m. at the Marshalltown Public Library, Community Meeting Room B, 105 W. Boone St.

Members present: Anne Vance, Sue Jones, Andy Lawler, Jill Crosser, Michelle Allen, Marie Ray, Shawn Propp, Jill Eaton, Lisa Soder, Linda White

Members absent: Allen Fagerlund, Rich Byers, Laura Schinnow, Lisa Fifo, Barb Mathews

Guests present: None

1. **Introductions:**

Introductions were made by all Board members present.

2. **CPC Updates – Jill Eaton:**

Legislation update:

SF209 was passed and signed that repeals most of the language for Central Point of Coordination and what SF69 put in place to be effective July 1, 2013.

HF696 while over 300 pages long and not passed as of this date has language for the redesign of the mental health system to include study committees to report back to the legislature. Division XC - The Mental Health and Disability Services Redesign starts on page 539, line 4 of the bill to review online.

ID waiver slots update:

It appears that the delay now has been pushed to October 1, 2011 for the Statewide slot for the ID waiver, this has been delayed for 24 months – 6 months at a time due to implementation issues with the state.

3. **Reports from Strategic Plan Chairs:**

Goal 1 Transition – Andy Lawler & Jill Eaton

TAB (Transition Alliance Board) is active once again through the AEA with efforts to design and distribute the resource guide.

Judy Adland is spearheading a transition event entitled “Show Me The Way” which is slated for Spring 2012 at IVCCD. A grant has been applied for through the Marshalltown Community Foundation. The hope is to get many teachers and parents to attend.

Goal 2 Promote Employment – Rich Byers & Jill Crosser

Unfortunately we lost our only supported employment provider in Marshall County. Jill Crosser departed from Goodwill Industries and accepted employment as a Case Manager with Hawkeye Valley Area Agency on Aging and Goodwill made the decision to end services in Marshall County.

Rich Byers reported that MIW continues to promote employment as their mission. In the past 6 months 17 referrals for MIW employees to CPC's, Center Associates, city bus, etc to help them maintain or obtain employment. Two are working with Voc Rehab. Follow up continues with one employee who also works in the community. Rich also reported having 5 new employees during this period.

Goal 3 Community Awareness – Michelle Allen & Lisa Soder

Michelle has been working with the Marshalltown police, Marshall County Sheriff and the hospital. The plan is to prepare a post card or wallet sized card with pertinent phone numbers to be kept at precise Marshalltown locations, most importantly the hospital ER. A larger version will be located on a web-site. Andy will look into the AEA print shop for printing options.

4. Agency Updates:

Ann Vance – (CIRSI) Have seen more consumer health issues that they can no longer serve. The individual served by CIRSI leaves Friday, April 17th to compete in the Special Olympics in Greece, running in 3 different events. Anne reported that numbers are low at Special Focus due to moving and medical conditions. Transportation for those out of town is an issue.

Jill Crosser – Hawkeye Valley Area Agency on Aging (HVAAA) serves the 60+ population and those transitioning out of Waivers. Jill reported that they also do home delivery of meals. . A service of Hawkeye Valley is the Aging and Disability Resource Center connecting the aging and disability communities with information and services. (Flyer attached)

Michelle Allen – (North Star Community Services) reported hiring Carol Adair as the new Service Coordinator and being very busy with crisis situations.

Marie Ray motioned to adjourn the meeting at 11:12 a.m. Motion seconded by Andy Lawler.