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Governance Board
Central MN Mental Health Center, Monticello
Thursday, February 19, 2009 – 4:00pm

STARS Regional System of Care Board Minutes

Members present: Becky Foreman, Brenda Mahoney, David Nusbaum, Ismail Ali, Joan Collins-Marotte, Julie Carpenter, Julie Martindale, Kim Emanuel, LaRone Greer, MaryJo Cobb, Mary Jo Verschay, Pearl Lieb, Rosemary Cyr, Sharon Backstrom Walter Bardell

Members absent: Abe Abrahamson, Elizabeth Rogers, Ethan Turck, Gene Garman, Glenace Edwall, Hanna Kaufman, Marcia Schlattman, Sandi Shoberg,

Non-Voting Members present: Bill Affeldt, Chris Schmid, David Baraga, Mayuli Bales, Sara Dahlquist

Staff: Jennifer Swendsen, Nanette Kiby, Tara Freed, Ann Scoles, Michelle Ulfers

Visitors: Sandie Murray, Mary Christen Czech, Mary Bonlender

1. Call to order (4:00 - 4:05)

- a. Mission Statement read by Sara Dahlquist

2. Approval of January minutes– (4:05) a correction of location was noted and has been fixed.

Motion by: Mary Jo Cobb **Seconded by:** Julie Carpenter

Motion: Carried

3. Approval of Agenda – (4:05)

Motion by: David Nusbaum

Seconded by: MaryJo Cobb

Motion: Carried

4. Fiscal Report (handout) - Jennifer reviewed budget and went over the December month end report. (handout) It was suggested that she include what percentage of our budget was expended compared to the year. Next month will be a detailed fiscal report of 6 months.

Motion by: Mary Jo Verschay

Seconded by: Mary Jo Cobb

Motion: Carried

Motion to approve the Fiscal Report.

5. Old Business – (4:05 – 5:00)

a. Board retreat- Chris gave a reminder of the dates and times of the upcoming Governance Renewal Retreat. The retreat will be held at the Radisson in St Cloud February 26 - 28, 2009. Thursday will be a parent night on Thursday night from 6:00 to 8:30pm, Friday staff will meet from 8:30 to 12:00 and the Renewal Retreat will meet from 1 to 4:30, Saturday we will have an all day session from 8:30 to 4pm. Chris will re-email the strengths and needs from the November 1st meeting.

b. Father's Initiative - LaRone urged STARS to get involved with Father's Initiative. MaryJo Verschay suggested that this is a project Michelle would want to head up. She also suggested that all committees put this as an agenda item for upcoming meetings.

c. Trina Osher training - Tara announced the dates of the upcoming Family Driven training with Trina Osher. This event will be held at Cristini's Grill in Monticello April 19th through the 21st.

d. Co-chair election – Motion: David Nusbaum Second: Joan Collins Marotte

Sharon Backstrom has been elected STARS Governance Co-Chair. She will serve under Pearl Lieb.

e. New Hires – Joan announced the 2 new cultural guides and the 5 new Family Support Specialists. Ann Scoles is supervisor and one of the positions is being held to recruit a father.

6. New Business: (5:00 – 5:20)

a. Legislative update – MaryJo Verschay announced that the State has not cut funding to the 3 Grants STARS has contracted; School Based Mental Health, Mobile Crisis Response and Respite, at this point.

b. Practice Improvement Care Review Update – Bill gave an update on the Practice Improvement committee's progress and announced that as of right now the group has completed their objective. If there are any additional projects anyone has for them let Bill know.

c. Presentation and discussion: Critical Issues for STARS (handout) – Chris and Terry presented the *Critical Issues for STARS* power-point. The information summarizes some local data and the site visit impressions and recommendations from last fall. We had question and answer time regarding the data collected by the national and local evaluation. This information will be used at the Board Renewal Retreat next week.

d. Year 5 Reapplication due March 2, 2009 – STARS year 5 re-application is due to SAMHSA by March 2, 2009.

7. Other additions to the agenda - none

8. Motion to Adjourn (5:30)

Motion by: MaryJo Cobb

Seconded by: David Nusbaum

Meeting Adjourned at 5:30pm.

NEXT GOVERNANCE BOARD MEETING: March 19, 2009 St. Cloud CMMHC/Blue Room