

STARS Regional System of Care Board Minutes

Members present: Brenda Mahoney, David Nusbaum, Gene Garman, Hanna Kaufman, Julie Carpenter, Julie Martindale, Kim Emanuel, LaRone Greer, Marcia Schlattman, MaryJo Cobb, Pearl Lieb, Rosemary Cyr, Sandi Shoberg, Sharon Backstrom,
Members absent: Abe Abrahamson, Elizabeth Rogers Ethan Turck, Glenace Edwall, Ismail Ali, , Joan Collins-Marotte, Mary Jo Verschay, Walter Bardell
Non-Voting Members present: Sara Dahlquist
Staff: Bill Affeldt, Jennifer Swendsen, Nanette Kiby, Tara Freed
Visitors: Pam Funk, Diane Pagel, Grace ? (I am trying to track down Grace's last name)

1. Call to order

- a. Mission Statement read by Gene Garman

2. Approval of March minutes–

Motion by: David Nusbaum **Seconded by:** Brenda Mahoney **Motion: Carried**

3. Approval of Agenda –

Motion by: MaryJo Cobb **Seconded by:** Sharon Backstrom **Motion: Carried**

4. Review and Approval of Fiscal Report

- a.) YTD Expenditures – Jennifer provided the YTD report, current through March.

Motion by: David Nusbaum **Seconded by:** Gene Garman **Motion: Carried**
Motion to approve Fiscal report

5. Committee Reports

- a.) Fiscal Subcommittee report – MaryJo Cobb reviewed the minutes from the last Fiscal meeting (4/7/09) and distributed a handout explaining the Fiscal Planning and Reporting Process.

Motion by: MaryJo Cobb **Seconded by:** David Nusbaum **Motion: Carried**
Motion to establish a workgroup for Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) for Schools when it established it's revised (now SAMHSA approved) budget - how to spend the allocated \$80,000.

- b.) Decision-making workgroup - Gene and David Nusbaum reported for the Decision Making workgroup. They presented a draft flowchart. Gene reported that there would likely need to be one or two more meeting to iron out the details.
- c.) Sustainability workgroup – MaryJo Cobb announced the date for the first Sustainability Workgroup will be May 6th at 5:45pm in the Staff room at Monticello CMMHC. This first meeting will be an overview and review of the notes from Governance Board retreat. Also, they want to determine “what we want to sustain?”

6. Staff Reports

- a.) Crisis Respite workgroup - Bill reported that there has been positive movement happening in the Crisis Beds workgroup. What they are working on is to utilize therapeutic foster homes as Crisis Beds. They are teaming up with PATH, LSS and the Crisis Response Team. There would be access through CRT and a child could stay for up to 7 days. There was talk about bringing a proposal to next Governance meeting on how to spend the allocated \$100,000.

- b.) Family Driven Training report (Practice Improvement) The 2 day intensive Trina Osher-Family Driven Training will be held at Cristini's on Monday April 20th and Tuesday April 21st. There is also a parent/youth night at River City Extreme on Sunday night.

7. Old Business

- a.) Clinical Director resignation discussion – We discussed Bill Affeldt's resignation and the question was raised "Do we need a Clinical Director on staff?" Gene explained that the Clinical Director is very much a part of the Decision Making flow chart. MaryJo Cobb mentioned the possibility of David Baraga acting as our Clinical Director. MaryJo Cobb suggested that Chris S. and David B. bring a proposal to the next Governance Board meeting.

8. New Business

- a.) Youth and Parents Advisory Councils – Proposal and request for motion. Pam Funk came to the Board with a proposal and request for motion to approve a STARS Parent Advisory Council. The PAC would be a sanctioned sub-committee of the STARS Governing Board with the purpose of providing recommendations to the Board regarding children's mental health issues that are reflective of the family voice in the four county areas. Julie Carpenter has volunteered to be the Board representative on this council.

Motion by: Gene Garman **Seconded by:** David Nusbaum **Motion: Carried**

9. Other additions to agenda

- a.) Crisis Response Team Report – Diane Pagel distributed a handout with the quarterly CRT's children's crisis data. Diane reviewed a list of CRT accomplishments which include; CRT 24/7 mobile coverage, certification MA DMAP billing, expanded outreach to schools and counties, redesigned program, participation in Crisis Beds program development, and training parent groups.
- b.) Community of color - LaRone Greer brought up that he is concerned with STARS' commitment to communities of color. He also announced that there is a Latino Town Hall meeting at the St Cloud Library on May 21st from 4:00pm to 8:45pm. Sara Dahlquist asked about the possibility of attending the town hall meeting in place of Governing Board for next meeting.
- c.) Mary Jackson has resigned from her position as STARS African American Cultural Guide.

10. Motion to Adjourn **Motion by:** Pearl Lieb **Seconded by:** MaryJo Cobb

NEXT GOVERNANCE BOARD MEETING: May 21, 2009 St Cloud CMMHC/Blue Room