

GOOCHLAND-POWHATAN COMMUNITY SERVICES
MINUTES
May 5, 2008

Goochland-Powhatan Community Services Board of Directors held its regularly scheduled monthly meeting on Monday, May 5, 2008 in the Powhatan Board Room.

Present

Bea Anderson
Kim Sprouse
Paula Price
Yurunda Harris
June Jeter
Ellen Cooper
John Carmack
Charles Bruce
Barbara Dawson

Absent

Julie Moore

Staff Attending

Susan Bergquist
Bob Villa
Bill Desmond

I. Welcome

Kim Sprouse brought the meeting to order at 5pm and first asked if there were any additions to the agenda; there were none.

II. Minutes

Kim next asked if there were any additions or changes to the April, '08 minutes; there were none.

ACTION: Motion to approve the April, '08 minutes was made by B Dawson and seconded by J Carmack. Motion carried by all and the April, '08 minutes were approved.

III. Program Presentation

This month's program was presented by MH SA Residential Supervisor, Nora Dinu. A slide show was presented hi-lighting the program's key points, the residential facilities, and included pictures of the clients working on training and community activities. The Board expressed their appreciation for the work of this program and for this informative presentation.

IV. Report of the Human Resources Committee

Reviewed documents in board package and Susan discussed the policy itself in more detail.

ACTION: Motion to approve the changes in Personnel Policy as recommended was made by J Carmack and seconded by B Dawson. Motion carried by all and the proposed changes in Personnel Policy were approved.

V. Region IV Newsletter and Regional Updates

Included in the board report was the Quarterly newsletter that the region puts out, how much money is put into programs.

One of the new programs discussed in the newsletter is *Host Homes*. NorthWestern Human Services is putting this in place. It is similar to adult foster care. They have had a lot of interest, 12 families have been trained, and they plan to have back up homes for respite etc for places to go

The Acute Care Project – the region is renegotiating with local hospitals and expects there to be a significant increase in their daily rate. The money for this program is tight this year, and we project that there will not be enough for the next year. The Department is aware that this is a difficulty for all regions. The current newsletter, and all past editions, are on the website, www.hprivreinvestment.org.

VI. VACSB, State and Federal Updates

- **Targeted Case Management:** The House of Representatives has passed a bill creating a moratorium on the implementation of several components of the Deficit Reduction Act rules, including the 15 minute case management billing rule. At this moment the Senate has not voted. The President has stated that he would veto the bill. The House measure passed overwhelmingly with enough votes to override a veto. The implementation of 15 minute billing could significantly impact every CSB's state wide. The VACSB did a follow up survey, using the same consumers included in the Medicaid study, and asking CSB's to compare the impact on services if the billing rate was either \$75 and \$175 an hour. All boards would have significant impact at \$75 per hour, and most would have problems at the \$175 per hour. Each board also gave examples of the impact on services, such as placing people without Medicaid on waitlist, and other programs could potentially be closed..

Some states have filed a law suit against the federal government in regards to this regulation; we'll see what the results are.

- The details of \$42 million of new money still up in the air, child and adolescent therapist is one position that all CSB's will add according to specific budget language. The rest of the money is to be allocated on a plan to be developed by the Commissioner of the Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services. Details may be forthcoming by the end of this week.

- P Price asked if there was any further information about DMHMRSAS oversight to CSB's? At the moment, there are 3 positions budgeted to this; however, the Department is currently undergoing a re-alignment and no final plans have been announced.

VII. Reports

Hospitality Report – no report

Chairman's Report – no report

Executive Director Report

Susan Bergquist reported the following:

- Taylor Building/Virginia House: We are proceeding with the Building and land purchases. We will have a commercial appraisal within 30 days, will schedule the building inspector this month, and should have report available at the June board meeting.
- The Consumer Liaison position has been filled and the new hire will begin on May 15th. A long time Training Specialist at Monacan has announced her retirement as of May 30.
- Updated the board on the opening of the new group home, The Birdsong Group Home clients are moving into it, probably this week, which leaves the Birdsong house open for clients. It is unsure at this time that Birdsong will be maintained as a group home. We will be working on plans for this house over the coming month.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

J. Carmack moved that the Board convene in a closed meeting pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.1-344 A (4) for the protection of the privacy of individuals in personal matters not related to public business. B. Dawson seconded this motion and the Board unanimously approved it.

RECONVENED IN REGULAR SESSION

Whereas the Goochland-Powhatan Community Services Board of Directors convened in a closed meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provision of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and Whereas § 2.1-344.1 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by this Board that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with the Virginia Freedom of Information Act. Now therefore, be it resolved that the Goochland-Powhatan Community Services Board of Directors certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Freedom of Information Act, and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion

convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Board.

ACTION: Motion made by B. Dawson to certify conformity of closed meeting hearings; seconded by R. Harris. All members affirmed this by show of hands.

ACTION: Motion to approve the actions taken in Executive Session related to matters of Personnel were made as follows:

Item #1 – Extraordinary Sick Leave Request – motion was made to approve by Y Harris and seconded by C Bruce, and approved unanimously.

Item #2 – Administration plans – motion was made to approve by B Dawson, seconded by P Price and approved unanimously.

K. Sprouse asked if there was any other business to discuss and there was none.

ACTION: There being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm.

Submitted by: _____
Ellen Cooper, Secretary

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