

**MHCC Advisory Board Minutes**

**May 12, 2021 12:00pm**

**VIRTUAL MEMBERS PRESENT: Scott Etherton, Phil Tegeler, Tim Kennett, Cathy Rauch, Nancy Field, Gail Anderson, Terri Burchess**

**VIA AUDIO CONFERENCE: N/A**

**OTHERS PRESENT: Debra Haeffner**

**ABSENT: Arnold Remington, Christa Yoakum,**

*Advance public notice of the Advisory Board Meeting was posted: 555 S.10<sup>th</sup> building public bulletin board, Lincoln Journal Star, lancaster.ne.gov ('s) Crisis Center web page on May 5, 2021.*

The meeting was opened at 12:03 p.m. Chair noted the posted location of Open Meetings Act. Call for approval of April minutes – Burchess motion to approve, Anderson second and the roll call vote was 6 ayes to approve (Rauch, Burchess, Anderson, Tegeler, Kennett, Etherton) and 1 abstain (Field). May 2021 minutes approved as written.

**Additions to May Agenda: #9 COVID-funded opportunities**

**Mental Health Crisis Center Building Updates:** Locks ~ Minor progress to date with measurements taken for the locks. Room 17 project is moving ahead with wires having been installed and the area readied for the exhaust fan/installation parts to be delivered.

**Electronic Medical Record/Credible:** All things have been going well. The yearly fees to Credible were billed end of April.

**Staffing:** FTE Mental Health Technician position has been processed and interviews will be set up soon. The Business Manager position has been filled by a candidate from Sedgwick County, Wichita, Kansas with a start date of June 14<sup>th</sup>. The On Call Mental Health Technician positions have recently been re-opened for quarterly recruitments. Preliminary interviews will take place as soon as Human Resources provides the candidate list. The RN On Call position remains posted as continuous.

**Time Off ~** Several admin staff have planned time off coming up with coverage as contracted.

**Miscellaneous:** COVID-19 Update ~ MHCC is continuing business with all precautions in place. The building remains closed to outside visitors. The Crisis Center will maintain the current protocol until further discussion can take place with the Health Department.

**Oracle/TCP ~** The payroll system continues to be functional and overall, improving as time (no pun intended) goes by.

**Budget ~** The department budget was submitted. Accounting is requesting all departments to review carefully for any shortfall in their budgets and to report back.

**Staff Training ~ Crisis Prevention Institute (CPI) training updates are being held for all full-time and on-call Mental Health Technicians this month. Continuing education events will be ongoing the remainder of the Spring/Summer months in effort to continue meeting the CARF and state standards. The goal is to have all staff re-engaged since COVID and on target for the CARF review.**

**CARF: As the re-credentialing process unfolds information will be provided to this board.**

**Strategic Planning: Etherton spoke of where we were as an agency, where we are now, and provided the opportunity for stakeholders to think about the strategic direction of the coming years. Most of the goals for last period were internal and of a financial nature relating to the Affordable Care Act with the Medicaid/Managed Care providers and making sure that MHCC would be covered resulting in an increase from additional financial resources. Good progress has been made in this area and MHCC will continue the pursuit. Additionally, for the ongoing planning, we will shift our focus to data management.**

**Board Applicant: The report of an interested party has not yet manifested. The application process is posted on the Lancaster County website's Crisis Center page.**

**Covid Funded Opportunities: There is funding available that could allow for modifications or improvements related to dealing with the pandemic as we continue to serve clients and keep this facility running safely. One such project currently underway is an exhaust fan in room 17 to create a negative-pressure room. Staff and stakeholders are asked to send ideas if they think of something -- let the brainstorming begin!**

**With no further discussion, motion to adjourn made by Burchess, second by Tegeler. Roll call vote unanimous with 5 ayes (Kennett, Rauch, Frazier, Etherton, Tegeler, Anderson, Burchess). Meeting adjourned at 12:58pm.**

**Next Meeting is tentatively scheduled for June 9, 2021.**