

August 11, 2021 ~ 12:00 pm  
MINUTES

# MHCC Advisory Board

**VIRTUAL MEMBERS PRESENT:** Scott Etherton, Christa Yoakum, Phil Tegeler, Cathy Rauch, Nancy Field, Tim Kennett, Arnold Remington

**VIA AUDIO CONFERENCE:** N/A

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Debra Haeffner

**ABSENT:** Gail Anderson, Terri Burchess

*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 August 9, 2021. The meeting was opened at 12:03p.m. Chair noted the availability of Open Meetings Act as provided via attachment to participants. Call for approval of June minutes – Rauch motion to approve, Etherton second and the roll call vote was five ayes to approve ( Tegeler, Remington, Kennett, Etherton, Rauch) one abstain (Field). Motion to approve June 2021 minutes as written carried. Review/Additions to August Agenda: Addition of item 3.(b.) CPU Upgrade.*

**MHCC BUILDING UPDATES:** The additional microphones have been wired and install is complete. The VMS server is not working well and was found to be in need of an update and that occurred without charge. Microphones will need adjustments after software upgrades are complete.

Yoakum joined the meeting at 12:15pm

**ELECTRONIC MEDICAL RECORD/CREDIBLE:** Prescription Issues ~ Recent upgrades to the EMR system caused problems with the orders. Medical personnel are now having to enter prescriptions manually, print, and then fax. Task ticket has been submitted to Credible.

CPU Upgrades ~ We are in the process of upgrading MHCC's computers. Six hard drives on the Unit side have been replaced and front-end offices will be next . Information Services has been consulting with MHCC admin for weekly quality improvement sessions. The Health and Fire Departments have received upgraded programs providing for a more securely encrypted e-mail system. The Crisis Center will also be upgraded to avoid any possible HIPAA-related issues.

**STAFFING:** RN Status ~ The request for Human Resources to review the nursing wages met with approval by the County Board for an increase to the starting wage of RNs at the Crisis Center. Existing nurses will receive a new classification/one additional step along with an increase to the nursing supervisor wage. Full-time RN position remains open; On-Call Mental Health Technician and On-Call RN positions remain in a continuous recruitment status. Two FTE Mental Health Technician positions are open and interviews are in process. The new Business Manager, Robert Holmes, is slated to start this week. Intensive training will commence with the goal of onboarding quickly to

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the financials and Credible admin functions. Robert will be attending the Leadership Academy program beginning August 18, 2021.

**MISCELLANEOUS:** COVID-19 Update ~ The building remains closed to any non-essential activity as guided by the Health Department. There were two positive cases with clients at MHCC in July. We believe it started with an asymptomatic client who tested positive after discharge. Follow up testing found that one client was positive. resulting in the client being placed in quarantine at the Crisis Center. After another time period of 5-6 days, another client tested positive and was isolated. All actions taken were following the recommendations of the Health Department. The admission screenings became more stringent and no-one being accepted without having been fully vaccinated. As of this writing, we are up and running COVID-free. Consultation with the HD will continue to determine if/when testing can occur for clients/admissions. TEST Nebraska has recently ended their service and samples obtained by MHCC staff will be sent to UNMC.

Oracle/TCP ~ A couple of hiccups recently as supervisors have been on vacation and duties around pay period's end are not easily transferrable to equivalent staff.

Yoakum left the meeting at 12:50pm.

**ARPA FUNDING PLANS:** The American Recovery Plan of Action funding requests are in the review stage. Crisis Center has several things in mind including improvements to the visitation area, sanitation, and communication hardware. Other county agency's plans shall be reviewed as they unfold. The county has created a Grant Manager position to oversee the ARPA funding program to ensure adherence to all guidelines and requirements.

**CARF SURVEY:** The survey has been scheduled for October 28 and 29, 2021. This will be conducted virtually. The Advisory Board shall be involved as appropriate.

With no further discussion, motion to adjourn by Tegeler, seconded by Field. Roll call vote (Etherton, Remington, Rauch, Field, Tegeler, Kennett) all in favor and meeting was adjourned at 1:01pm.

**NEXT MEETING:** September 8, 2021 @ Noon via ZOOM