

MINUTES  
Saratoga County Community Services Board Meeting  
February 24, 2016

Present: Frank Arcangelo, Ph.D., Joseph W. Carr, Amy Hughes, Katie Lewis, Ph.D., and RJ Stutzman. Also present: Michael S. Prezioso, Ph.D. and Carol Lyte from the Mental Health Center.

Absent: Dr. Edmond Amyot, William Baker, Lillian McCarthy, and Maria Morris-Groves.

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Arcangelo called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Roll call was taken. A quorum was established.

**III. MINUTES**

A motion to accept the minutes from 1/27/16 was made by Ms. Hughes, seconded by Mr. Carr. Motion carried.

**IV. PUBLIC TO BE HEARD**

None present.

**V. DIRECTOR'S REPORT/OLD BUSINESS**

A. Staffing- In the process of hiring for the Part-time Outreach Worker. Interviewing for the Staff Social Worker position and for the SPOA Coordinator. Regarding the Nurse Practitioner item- there is a provision in the contract with the hospital that would make the NP item a hospital employee. The hospital is not willing to change the wording of the contract which prevents the County from hiring for this position. The funds for the Nurse Practitioner item will be used to fund a new position- Education and Human Relation Coordinator.

B. Opioid Overdose Prevention Program- OASAS sponsored. Train the trainer training will be in two weeks. Will then go to schools, EMS, law enforcement, etc. Narcan replacements kits are free. Dr. Astruc will be the medical director for the program.

C. Safety

1. Cameras- Cameras will be installed by DPW.
2. Breakaway Lanyards- Lanyards for staff have arrived.
3. DSS/Probation Training- Dr. Prezioso has begun to train staff in Mental Health and safety issues.
4. Episode/Follow-up- There was a violent episode that occurred in the Adult program. Two debriefing sessions were held after. Will be implementing the Assaulted Staff Action Program (ASAP). Will be looking into having a

Sheriff's Deputy here for appointments for all clients on the VPP (Violence Prevention Plan) list.

- D. Board Training- Training packets were distributed. Members were asked to read it over and bring back any questions they have. Packets will be mailed to all Board Members not present. The Mission, Vision, Values Statement was also distributed. A motion to accept the Mission, Vision, Values Statement was made by Mr. Stutzman, seconded by Ms. Hughes. Motion carried.

**VI. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Suicide Prevention Council- Dr. Prezioso has been speaking with Marcia Fazio, Executive Director of the Suicide Prevention Center- New York. There is no Prevention Council in Saratoga County. \$3500 is available in seed money to start one. There have been several recent suicides in Burnt Hills. Pastors have been in touch with the SPC-NY office and will be holding an event in April.
- B. Stakeholder Meetings- Emerged from discussion with Judge Doern. 35-40 people have been gathering monthly.
- C. Community Services Planning Meetings- Time to begin thinking about these.

**VII. NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be February 24<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting was adjourned by Dr. Arcangelo at 4:35pm.

**Respectfully submitted by: Cari Abatemarco**