

Cayuga County Community Services Board

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Alcohol & Substance Abuse Subcommittee

April 3, 2019

Members Present: Brian Schenck, Chair; Shawn Butler; Timothy Donovan; Michael Greene; Cynthia Malek; Laurie Piccolo
Members Excused: Chris Soprano
Guests Present: Ashley Short, Unity House; Marcie Pennella, Carol Colvin, Auburn Courts; Kevin Hares, C.H.A.D.; JoLynn Mulholland, DFCC; Joel Campagnola, Nick's Ride 4 Friends; Lisa Forshee, Syracuse Recovery Services; Lisa Bowline, Helio Health; Julie Piascik, Cayuga County Sheriff's Department
Staff: Ray Bizzari, Jennifer Coughlin, CCCMHC

I. CALL TO ORDER & INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Brian Schenck called the meeting to order at 12:03 p.m. Chair Schenck welcomed the Subcommittee and introductions were made. Quorum was present.

II. PUBLIC TO BE HEARD – None this month.

III. REVIEW OF MINUTES

Members were emailed a *draft* of the March 6, 2019 minutes. On a motion by Timothy Donovan, seconded by Michael Greene, the March 6, 2019 minutes were approved. Motion carried.

IV. REPORTS

The Agency Monthly Reports were submitted prior to the meeting. Brian requested each agency give a synopsis of their report.

- ACH ER – No report or representation this month.
- C.H.A.D. – Kevin Hares
 - Currently involved in a number of grants.
- Treatment Court – Marcie Pennella and Carol Colvin
 - Marcie and Carol gave an overview of the reports they submitted. Highlights included admissions and individuals served. Auburn City Court has a new judge and they are working on introducing him to the community. Graduation for felony court will be held on April 9, 2019 and for drug and behavioral court on May 20, 2019. There will be a Recovery Walk on May 21, 2019.
- GRACE House – Ashley Short
 - There has been an increase in use of over-the-counter medications.
 - Believe there is some State Aid that is tied to the mental health residential programs that is not being used. Looking to reallocate the funds to the supportive living program. A proposal is being compiled.
- HELIO – Lisa Bowline
 - There has been an increase in referrals in the last few weeks.
 - Working with clients regarding insurance issues, i.e. coverage.

- Cayuga County Mental Health – Ray Bizzari
 - Q & A was sent out regarding the Chase Grant. Briefly updated on what would be covered by the grant and how the money will be controlled.
 - Update on meeting that he, Kevin, and Joel had with hospital. The waiver from OASAS now allows hospitals to admit solely for detox. Discussion took place regarding concerns and strategies needed for implementation, which include bridge scripts for discharge and the need for peer support.
- Cayuga County Jail – Brian Schenck
 - DWI statistics for March: Auburn Police Department had three arrests with one DWI drug arrest and County Sheriff's Department had two arrests. No statistics for the New York State Police.
 - Mike acknowledged the Thinking for a Change Program.
 - Kevin updated they will be providing in-house services at the jail.
- Drug Free Community Coalition – Jolynn Mulholland
 - Brian acknowledged the success of the Youth Lock-In. Discussion took place regarding confusion regarding preregistration.
 - The DFCC continues to discuss applying for the 501 c 3 status.
- Community – Tim Donovan
 - The Cayuga County Office for the Aging published an article in the Senior News and Views regarding drug dispensation for seniors in the community.
 - Distributed a packet of information regarding updated schedules for Cento in Auburn and Syracuse. There is also an app that can be downloaded.
 - Distributed copies of the Alcohol Substance Abuse Support booklet that was published by Syracuse Recovery Services. If you need copies, please let Tim know.
 - Updated that he has copies of the Community Service Directory. If you need copies, please let Tim know.
- Syracuse Recovery Services – Lisa Forshee
 - Their numbers have been consistent. They currently have approximately 70 clients.
 - Their walk in hours now begin at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday.
 - They are looking for a new counselor.
- Nick's Ride 4 Friends – Joel Campagnola
 - Brian acknowledged the fundraiser that took place Friday night and the community support for this program.
- Other Reports – **None this month.**

V. OLD BUSINESS – None this month.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- Local Services Plan – Jennifer Coughlin
 - A meeting will be scheduled apart from the subcommittee meetings for the end of April.
 - Survey Monkey links will be sent out to determine priorities.
 - Ray encouraged participation.
- JoLynn updated that she was advised that local nursing homes were flushing medications. Ray will contact Kathleen Cuddy regarding this issue.
- Brian followed up on last month's request to identify specific areas, needs, or concerns from the Local Services Plan. Tim updated that the Mental Health Subcommittee is working on stigma. Suggestions from today's meeting included peer support and integration of services. Discussion took place regarding participation from community members i.e. Auburn Community Hospital, Auburn schools, and Cayuga Community

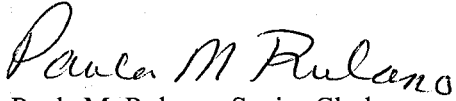
College. Brian suggested that a subcommittee be formed to work on these issues. If interested please contact Paula.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS – None this month.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:58 p.m. on a motion by Timothy Donovan and seconded by Michael Greene. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



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Cayuga County Mental Health Center