

# Cayuga County Community Services Board

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## PEOPLE WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SUBCOMMITTEE

May 2, 2019

**Members Present:** Stephen Smith, Chair; Diane Dolcemascolo (via phone); Timothy Donovan; Katherine Dunchak; Andrea Hansen; Aileen McNabb-Coleman; Elizabeth Signorelli  
**Members Excused:** Lorie Fischer and Joan Meyers  
**Staff/Guests Present:** Jennifer Coughlin, CCCMHC; Denise Vreeland, ARC of Seneca County; Kristen Jackson and Darcy Beers, ARISE; Shannon Abate, Lifeplan

### I. ROLL CALL/CALL TO ORDER

Called to order by Stephen at 12:01 pm. Stephen emphasized the importance of responding to emails asking for attendance. New member Elizabeth Signorelli introduced herself.

### II. PUBLIC TO BE HEARD – None this month.

### III. REVIEW OF MINUTES

Members were emailed a draft of the December 6, 2018 minutes. On a motion by Timothy, seconded by Katherine, the minutes were approved as submitted. All in favor, motion carried.

### IV. AGENCY REPORTS

Agency openings were requested and sent prior to the meeting. Updated copies of the Agency Service Openings Chart were available at the meeting.

Discussion of importance of Agency Service Openings/Vacancies report; only one response has been received as of today's meeting. It was decided to remove the MSC column due to none of the agencies utilizing that service and add two additional columns: self-direction/brokerage and SEMP services.

- **The ARC of Seneca Cayuga** – Vacancies with both dayhab and respite. There is one opening with a supervised traditional IRA, two supervised apartment openings, and two supportive apartment openings. Development continues for Lakehurst IRA. Initial scope of work came in over cost, so the plans have gone back to the architect for revisions.
- **ARISE** – Currently accepting referrals for community hab and respite.
- **Cayuga Centers** – Currently celebrating Children's Mental Health Day.
- **Cayuga Counseling** – No representation.
- **DDRO** – No representation.
- **Gavras Center** – No representation.
- **Onondaga Community Living** – No representation; Steve is working with the executive director on getting representation at this meeting.
- **Unity House** – No representation.

- V. **DIRECTOR'S REPORT** – Jennifer distributed the Local Services Plan (LSP). The LSP is required by three state organizations: OASAS, OMH, and OPWDD. Each local government unit is responsible to the state for putting together the LSP (essentially a strategic plan). The 2020 LSP is currently being developed. Priorities and who is responsible for those priorities are being identified by the CSB, three subcommittees, and community members. A survey went out asking about what the priorities should be; the results of the survey are partially summarized on the LSP. OPWDD top concerns among survey respondents: Children Services & Family Supports & Self-Directed Services & Other: Residential. Dual diagnoses

are also a special concern. Discussion of people with dual diagnoses falling through the cracks between services, including an increase in people becoming homeless. Timothy suggested peer advocacy for people with dual diagnoses. [Andrea arrived at 12:30pm] Andrea discussed the problems of employment and rental for those with developmental disabilities. Jennifer will be sending a rough draft of the LSP for feedback.

**VI. OLD BUSINESS** – Timothy shared that Joel Campagnola has an interest in coming to the next meeting to share information about his agency, Nick's Ride. It's a local recovery mental health/substance abuse resource center based on peer advocacy. They also host self-help meetings (AA, Al-Anon). Joel will be on the agenda for a presentation at the June meeting.

**VII. NEW BUSINESS** –PWDD meeting will change to the second week of the month in order to stagger the meetings for better logistics (there will now be one subcommittee meeting per week). Motion to move to second Thursday of the month made by Timothy and seconded by Aileen. All in favor, motion carried.

Andrea checked on the status of a cohesive document for the Autism Dual Diagnosis task force, as it's holding up the work of the task force. Requests an update at next meeting. Steve is going to have Michael call Andrea about it.

Timothy passed out the Alcohol Substance Support in and Around Cayuga County pamphlet and Living in Cayuga County directories.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 12:58 p.m. on a motion by Timothy and seconded by Andrea. All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



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