

# Cayuga County Community Services Board

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## PEOPLE WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SUBCOMMITTEE

September 8, 2022

**Members Present:** Stephen Smith (Chair), Katherine Dunchak, Kimberly Granato, Lorie Fischer, Joan Meyers (left before meeting adjourned), Elizabeth Signorelli (left before meeting adjourned)

**Members Excused:** Shannon Abate, Andrea Hansen,

**Members Absent:** Timothy Donovan

**Staff/Guests Present:** Lauren Walsh, Director, CCCMHC; Oruada Oruada, Dawn Assoon, and Kristi Hickey-Vigilante, YAI; Shelley Farrell, Prime Care Coordination; Beth Astramskas, OPWDD Regional Office; Daniel Lesinski, Cayuga Centers; Katie Kraushaar, Lifeplan; Maureen Brennan, CCCMHC Supervising Social Worker and FAST Coordinator; Michele VanGiesen, Mozaic

- I. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS** – Called to order by Steve at 12:03pm. Introductions were made.
- II. PUBLIC TO BE HEARD** – None at this meeting.
- III. REVIEW OF MINUTES** – Members were emailed a draft of the July 14, 2022 minutes. On a motion by Lorie, seconded by Elizabeth, the minutes were approved as submitted. All in favor, motion carried.

Steve asked for the following amendment to the agenda: table the agenda except for items IV and one item of new business from Lorie. On a motion by Elizabeth, seconded by Kim, the minutes were approved as submitted. All in favor, motion carried.

- IV. NEW BUSINESS** – Lorie discussed the new Cayuga County Health Assessment Survey. She has sent it to Kelsey to distribute to the subcommittee members and attending agencies, and requested that everyone distribute surveys to as many people over 18 in Cayuga County as possible. The survey will be closed out at the end of September.
- V. PRESENTATION FROM YAI, OPWDD CRISIS SERVICES** – Lauren introduced YAI. Oruada presented on YAI CSIDD/NYSTART. Please refer to the accompanying presentation. Kristie shared that a medical director, clinical director, assistant director, seven coordinators (still looking for one more coordinator), have all been hired for our region (region 2). In process of recruiting for coaches. Looking at properties for the resource center, which they are aiming to be open next year. Kim asked Oruada about what kind of training in-house coaches get. Therapeutic coaches have a bachelor's degree in the mental health field. Through the START program, the coaches get an additional 19-week training from experts in the field. Steve requested that someone from YAI regularly attends this meeting. Maureen asked if services are available for children under the age of 21 in the care of DSS. Oruada confirmed that this is the case as long as they have a support team in place.
- VI. ADJOURNMENT** – The meeting was adjourned at 1:00pm by Steve in his position as chair. At time of adjournment, there were not enough subcommittee members to put this to a motion.

Respectfully submitted,



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