Madison County Community Services Board
Alcoholism & Substance Abuse Sub-Committee/Mental Health Sub-Committee
March 2, 2017

Attending:
Teisha Cook-MHD Kim Centore-MHD
Melissa Jillson-Liberty Resources Susan Jenkins-BRiDGES
Janelle Powell-Liberty Resources Sandra Schiffer-PRO’s Clinic
Rick Kinsella-CSB Angel Gonzales-Coordinated Care Services
Dawn Krupiarz-Madison County Drug Treatment Courts

Meeting began at 9:30AM

Introductions were made for those attending. Rick Kinsella motioned to approve the February meeting minutes and Janelle Powell seconded this motion. All were in favor.

Announcements

Teisha brought up that this committee and others on the distribution lists received an RFP for the Regional Crisis Center for Addictions. There were two separate versions sent out, the second one contained some minor clarifications. It’s a very aggressive timeline. They are hoping to select someone by April.

The Opiate Taskforce is in the process of doing a presentation for the Board of Supervisors on March 14th. The Public Health Department, Mo and Susan from BRiDGES, Teisha and the Sheriff’s Department will be doing the presentation.

Family Counseling Services will be starting Suboxone the week of 3/6. They are moving forward with renovations of their Morrisville site.

The Board of Supervisors hired a consultant, Mark Ash, to come in and talk to the various departments regarding “strategic planning”. Mark had conducted interviews with departments, he then returned for a 2 day training with management, with approximately 35 people in attendance. Mark now has a contract to do this whole strategic plan. A survey had gone out earlier this month and there is a steering committee made up of a couple of people from the departments, including Teisha, Eric Faisst, but mainly community folks. The steering committee has held some meetings; there have been some employee focus groups and a community focus group. Their main goal is to come up with a mission statement. From that, goals will be established.

Agency Reports

Janelle Powell-Liberty Resources
- Pathways Wellness Center will hold their grand opening will be held on March 8th.
- There are 9 peers enrolled and 3 others have been referred.
- They are in the early stages of starting a Peer Support Group, which they are hoping to start on 4/7
- There was a meeting with several people from the Madison County Public Safety Building regarding starting a peer support group in the jail. They would like to hold a women’s and a men’s group once a week.
- Their goal is to start the general support group out in the center and then hopefully find a space out in the community, once it is established.
- They are receiving referrals from the mental health department, family and friends and some online referrals. They have also had some walk-ins.
Melissa Jillson-Liberty Resources
- The renovation of Maxwell House is underway. The flooring is in and hoping the cabinets will be in this week.
- The first round of the smoking group has wrapped up. Some of the residents have quit. They will wait a couple of weeks and then begin another group.
- They have bumped up the frequency of groups in the house. There are 3 CASAC’s in the house, so each one does a group, beside the house groups.
- Maxwell House is full. Next Step continues to be a struggle.
- They have arranged to meet with St. Luke’s and St. Elizabeth’s with their ED Department, regarding the crisis beds.

Sandra Schiffer-PRO’s Clinic
- Everything is running smooth at the PRO’s Clinic.
- They are currently full.
- Kelly Dorman has completed the Suboxone training, so they are putting together some policies.

Susan Jenkins-BRiDGES
- Susan submitted a mini grant to OMH on 3/1 to continue their work on Suicide Prevention. Part of the focus is to work on “Post-vention”, so there is a consistent way that they respond after a suicide.
- The second piece would be prevention education and community awareness, using the campaign “Be the One”. They will also be focusing on middle aged men.
- Susan will be doing the “Safe Talk” on 3/29 at BRiDGES.
- There are a number of other professional education trainings coming up. They have already scheduled the entire year.
- Susan was in Cortland last week to do the “Trevor Project” training, which is really looking at being an allied LGBTQ youth and suicide prevention for that population.

Angel Gonzales-Coordinated Care Services
- The Peer Engagement Program at Oneida Healthcare is getting quite a few referrals. Angel is currently working with 13 people out of Madison County right now.
- They held a meeting with the Board at the hospital, because the night staff at OHC did not have the proper procedures of calling Angel or his availability time. He has now extended his hours.
- Angel also met with HEAL Madison County last week. They need more support out there to expand the group.
- HEAL Madison County meets the last Monday of the month from 6:00-8:00pm at the Lincklaen House in Cazenovia. The meeting is open to everyone.

Dawn Krupiarz-Madison County Drug Treatment Courts
- Family Treatment Program currently has 11 participants with 19 pending
- Criminal Drug Court has 25 participants with 4 pending.
- Two of the clients are in the Father’s Group at DSS and absolutely love it.
- Dr. Snow will be closing his practice. Family Counseling Services will be taking the bulk of his clients.
Kim Centore-MHD

- Melissa Snizek started at Mental Health on February 13th. She has been very busy, taking quite a few of the folks that come in for Open Access.
- This summer the clinic will be doing a CQI project, based on the suicide prevention.

Miscellaneous

The group discussed who they would contact for Narcan training.

Dawn asked who would be filling in at the jail while Alexa is out. There is a “Discharge Planner” now at the PSB and she will be covering for Alexa.

Janelle mentioned that the Suicide Prevention Walk will be held on September 30th. She has flyers available for the walk.

Meeting ended at 10:05am
Recorder: Betty Spaulding

Next Meeting:
Thursday, April 6, 2017 @ 9:30am
Public Health Conference Room