

# COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD MEETING MINUTES

**DATE:** May 14, 2024

**LOCATION:** Human Service Building

**PRESIDING:** Karen Boliver

**SECRETARY:** Anna Platz

**ATTENDEES** (Sign-in sheet attached): Julie Grau, Dr. John Wat, Rose Larkins, Ashley Waite, Jessica Moser, Karen Boliver, Melanie Saber, Wyatt Wagner, Mark Waterhouse, Pat Fralick, Anna Platz, Ed Thomas, Jennifer Rich, Michelle Monnat, Maureen Cean, John Wilson, Vincent Smith, Aileen Martin, Natalie Burnham, Taylor Kiechle, and Cassie Robbins-Forbus.

TOPIC DISCUSSED	SUMMARY OF TOPIC DISCUSSED	DECISION/ACTION TO BE TAKEN	DEADLINE/ PERSON RESPONSIBLE
Welcome	The meeting was called to order at 7:35 am. Quorum present.		
Privilege of the Floor	<p>Mental Health Walk is scheduled for May 19.</p> <p>The Community Services Department will be hosting a Mental Health Month Staff Recognition/Appreciation breakfast in this conference room on May 31, 2024, from 7:30 – 9 am. Anna will be reaching out for a head count from each organization on May 17.</p> <p>The Opioid Settlement Fund Survey is open through May 31.</p> <p>Lewis County Systems of Care went to Albany on May 7 to accept their award!</p> <p>Anna is a 20 under 40 recipient this year.</p>		
Approval of the Minutes	Regular minutes from 4/9/2024 were presented for approval.	Moved by Ashley Waite seconded by Mark Waterhouse. Motion carried unanimously.	
New Business	<p>Letter of Support Request from THRIVE Wellness &amp; Recovery</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Lewis County Community services Board approved a Letter of Support for Credo when they applied for Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic funds in 2023. Credo is applying for the funds again this year, this time as THRIVE, and is looking for our support.</li> <li>• CCBHC is a very comprehensive, integrated model that SAMHSA has been working with for many years. It includes outpatient substance abuse care, oversight of medical services, peer services, case management, psych rehab and now services for veterans. In John’s opinion, it could be the future of all outpatient services across NYS.</li> <li>• The clinics run by THRIVE take a loss every month and the CCBHC model is much more lucrative. The hope is that if</li> </ul>	CSB Resolution No. 3-2024 (CCBHC Letter of Support) moved by Ashley Waite, seconded by Wyatt Wagner, with the modification that “part of” is added before “our economic development area”. Abstentions – Mark Waterhouse and Jennifer Rich.	

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	<p>the organization can pay more, they will be able to attract and retain more employees.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lewis County was identified as a high-needs county. The fact that the CCBHC will also serve Lewis County adds points to the application’s score.</li> <li>• There are nine core services to this program. Currently, THRIVE needs to strengthen their veteran needs as well as crisis services. If awarded the funding, all services would need to be up and running by August of 2025.</li> <li>• Citizen Advocates is also in the process of becoming a CCBHC.</li> <li>• Pat added that Lewis County is listed on a whole bunch of projects that don’t end up serving our community. Community partnerships are key to success here and vital to our work.</li> </ul> <p>2025 Local Services Plan (LSP) Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The local services planning process has been updated. It is now a multi-year plan that we can update each June. The current plan is from 2023-2027 and we are due to update the plan by the end of June.</li> <li>• Our plan is to present the plan for review at upcoming SUH/MH and DD Subcommittee Meetings. We can update target completion dates, remove goals, add goals, and really make any changes necessary.</li> <li>• After collecting input from the subcommittees, we will compile an updated version of the plan and present it for approval at the June CSB meeting.</li> <li>• We should be checking in on our progress towards achieving the goals identified in the plan, on a regular basis. You will see that the LSP has been added to Pat’s Director’s Report.</li> <li>• The current plan will be distributed to the subcommittees prior to their respective meetings, along with instructions for review.</li> </ul>		
Old Business	<p>Behavioral Health &amp; Wellness Center Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The clinic has a medication provider in place, a nurse and support staff have been hired.</li> <li>• Crisis services have been stabilized and designees are set.</li> <li>• BHWC has also received two applicants for therapists!</li> </ul>		
Directors Report	Pat added the following comments:		

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We are continuing to work with the Children’s Home of Jefferson County and OMH about the viability and feasibility of them having a satellite in Lewis County. To we are all meeting with Jenny Jones about the possibility of CHJC having some space in this building.</li> <li>• We continue to work with OASAS and Pivot regarding prevention services and Lewis County. We hope to have Bill Bowman attend and present at an upcoming CSB meeting.</li> <li>• South Lewis, Copenhagen, Harrisville and Lowville Academy have all contacted our office about school-based mental health clinics.</li> <li>• Michelle Monnat added that CHJC recently presented at Jeff-Lewis BOCES and mentioned the school-based clinics. There is currently start up funding available through OMH as well as additional start up funds for districts identified as high needs. South Lewis and Harrisville have this designation in Lewis County.</li> </ul>		
Subcommittee Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• N/A</li> </ul>		
Agency Updates	<p>The ARC Oneida-Lewis</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Staffing is looking a little better. Still hiring for LPNs.</li> </ul> <p>NRCIL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NRCIL’s demonstration against the criminalization of homelessness started a lot of conversations in both counties. Thank you to everyone who supported the initiative!</li> </ul> <p>Youth of Lewis County (YOLC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• YOLC has developed a survey to send out to all Lewis County youth. They are working with Lowville Academy first but are dealing with some questions about parental consent at this time.</li> </ul> <p>Children’s Home of Jefferson County</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CHJC hopes to have the 589 license for their children’s crisis residence by the June meeting. Therapeutic Crisis Respite Program is up and running and been at 5-6 kids consistently.</li> </ul> <p>MHA</p>		

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Joseph P Dwyer Veteran Peer to Peer Program continues to support veterans. If you have any veterans that are interested in services, please let them know.</li> </ul> <p>OPWDD</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Commissioner is leaving at the end of June the Executive Deputy Commissioner will be filling in until another commissioner is appointed.</li> <li>• OPWDD is hosting a listening forum in Saranac Lake on May 30 from 3:30-5:30 pm. If you plan to participate, to whatever extent you can, please speak in specifics rather than generalizations!</li> </ul>		
Adjourn	Meeting adjourned at 8:30 am.	Moved by Wyatt Wagner seconded by Mark Waterhouse. Motion carried unanimously.	
Next Meeting:	June 11, 2024, at 7:30 am.		