



AGENDA
MONTGOMERY COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH 708 BOARD
BOARD MEETING Minutes

DATE: January 13, 2025 TIME: 6:00pm

Montgomery County New Court House, PBC Room

Maria Clark, Terri Miller, Tricia Maulding, Ethan Murzynski, Cory Bilyeu: Dan Hough (resigned as of 12/31/24)

1. Call to Order TIME: 6:04pm

2. Pledge

3. Roll Call: Kevin Schott, Dawn Young, Kim Taylor, Linda Liebscher, Tammy Letcher, Jon Magnuson

4. Public Comments:

- Announcement from Dan Hough that he has resigned from 708 Board effective 12/31/24.
- Next Network, Cross Over Ministries and FAYCO

5. Approve Minutes: from September 2024 Meeting

- Tricia makes motion to approve, Ethan seconded - All in favor : PASSED

6. Committee Reports: Community Wellness committee

- No recent meetings due to holidays. The 2 year run will expire in July 2025. Kevin Schott hopes to continue in his current role.
- Transportation and Housing are the 2 main areas of concern and need the most attention.
- Montgomery Co. Health Dept will be conducting their new I-Plan. The website shows that the last report was done in 2015 and is scheduled to do a new one in 2025.
- Montgomery hospitals conduct an CHNA every 3 years.
- Committee will be participating in both
- According to Coroners office: # of Suicides in 2023 there were 9 to 1 in 2024 , OD in 2023 there were 11 to 1 in 2024.

7. Agency Reports:

- Next Network: Jon M. provided handout of Quarterly highlights, expenditures, and unused funds
 - Pursuing ARCO certification through FAVOR
 - Currently has 3 staff through Recovery Corps

- Continued relationship building with pre-trial, probation, and Montgomery Co. Jail

Metric	Nov	Dec
Telephone support	85	118
In Person support	71	38
Connection to treatment	16	18
Connection to community supports	7	19
Transportation	40	52.5
New Individuals Connected	22	25
Harm Reduction	8	10

- Questions: Will they keep separate names Crossover/Next Network. They will keep names on contractuals but once expired they will be using Next Network. Haven Home will keep its name as a program of Next Network.
- Questions: Will the funding requests in the future be drastically different or will the funding still be for primarily staffing.
- Looking to streamline the admissions process at Haven Home.
- Cross Over Ministries: presented hand out that included expenditures from June 15, 2024 to December 31, 2024 totaling \$57,575 salary \$6,731 fringe benefits.
 - Highlights include merger with Next Network
 - 2 referrals from Drug Court Program and have successfully graduated from the program.
 - 1 individual is actively in treatment and in 1 year of recovery
 - Overdose awareness day in Litchfield. with about 200 people attended.
 - Staff also attended to Recovery rally in Chicago, IL in the fall.
 - Questions: How many beds? 9 beds. Currently only 1 resident.
 - 6 beds are reserved with MH and Drug court. (Problem solving court).
 - 72 hr temporary stay as part of admission policy. Requirements are that they cannot be on the offender registry, cannot have violent offender charges. Adults only 18 or over.
 - Primary preference to Montgomery County.
 - Preference for Unhoused.
 - Sometimes used as crisis holding.
 - Fundraiser coming up Feb 28th at Free Methodist Church
- FAYCO: Provided handout of expenditures for their FY 24 (July 23 to June 24).
 - CDS - community day services: workshop at Schram City (M-F). Funding is used for clients that are unfunded through the state. Also supports staffing to increase staffing ratios

- Future Bound program - kids that are in school or aged out of school. The ratio is 1 to 3. Need is greater with focused time to provide support for community integration. Teaching life skills to live independently.
- Comments: Appreciate the much needed services for the population in Montgomery Co.

8.a. Public Comments: Tammy Lercher - UCAHN presented on services and requesting funding:

- No specific funding requested. After review of guidelines the request from Tammy is \$5K to support equipment needs for mobile recording devices.
- Provides forensic interviews for children affected by sexual and serious physical abuse
- Currently utilizing mobile services as they lost physical location in Litchfield.
- Children that are seen at UCAN are offered five free counseling sessions for themselves and for family members as needed.
- Comments: Board member defines on types of funding available / types of grants. Tier 1 is for competitive funding and Tier 2 "walk-in" grants for community development and is capped at \$12K each year.
 - Motion to approve walk-in grant of \$5K by Maria, 2nd by Terri, All in Favor:
PASSED

8.b. Public Comments: Linda Liebscher - Here to present information she collected regarding Montgomery County Health Department - Mental Health Services. She has done personal investigation and tracking.

- Provided packet of MCHD financial report, summary of questionable activity, and copy of email from Linda to Hugh Satterlee asking about activity.
- Believes that the Health Dept could be providing more services.
- Comment: Tricia summarized what she believes what Linda is questioning. That the excess in funds at MCHD should equate to 708 Board should not be awarded.
- Comment: Ethan asked if she has attended a Health Department board meeting, suggesting that this line of questioning should be addressed at the County Board level.

9. Announcements: Dan Hough resignation, Courtney Bell resignation

10. Old Business: NIU Study - to connect sometime in January 2025. Nothing New.

11. New Business: Election of new officers: will be held once new members are appointed and have a full board as well as authorized signors.

- Lori Hopwood - appointed last month
- Jen Karron - presented to county board 1/14/25

11.b New Business: Dan to share 708 Board files with the remaining board as part of his departure.

- Review of existing board member terms and expiration dates.

12. Next Meeting; FEB. 10th, 2025 @ 6:00pm

13. Adjournment TIME: Motion to adjourn by Maria, 2nd by Cory, All in favor: PASSED @ 7:40pm