

## Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board

April 22, 2015

The Board met in regular session at the Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, VA.

The following CSB members were present: Ken Garnes, Chair; Gary Ambrose, Susan Beeman, Kate Hanley, Molly Long, Paul Luisada, Juan Pablo Segura, Lori Stillman, Diane Tuininga, Jeff Wisoff, Jane Woods and Spencer Woods

The following CSB members were absent: Pam Barrett, Suzette Kern and Dallas “Rob” Sweezy

The following CSB staff was present: Tisha Deeghan, Daryl Washington, Len Wales, Jeannie Cummins Eisenhower, Jean Hartman, Evan Jones, Dave Mangano, Victor Mealy, Lisa Potter and Lyn Tomlinson

### 1. Meeting Called to Order

Ken Garnes called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

### 2. Matters of the Public

There were none requested.

### 3. Recognition

As Juan Pablo Segura is stepping down as the CSB Dranesville representative at the end of April, he was recognized for his outstanding service and many contributions to the community during his tenure on the Board.

### 4. Approval of the Minutes

Gary Ambrose offered a motion for approval of the March 25, 2015 Board meeting minutes of the Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board which was seconded and passed.

### 5. Matters of the Board

- Molly Long noted with the creation of an Ad Hoc Police Practices Review Commission by the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors (BOS), Supervisor John Cook offered an amendment that the Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) training be considered during this process. In addition, Supervisor Cook was instrumental in the appointment of a representative of the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) to the Commission.
- In the same vein, Kate Hanley indicated as a representative of the Human Services Council has been appointed to serve on the Police Practices Review Commission, she would recommend that CSB Board member Gary Ambrose also be appointed to the Commission. Without objection, the Board endorsed this recommendation along with the outreach to achieve this goal.

- Ken Garnes shared the following:
  - ♦ Appreciation was extended to Lori Stillman for testifying at the county FY 2016 budget hearings.
  - ♦ A reminder was provided of the May CSB Board meeting which will be held at the Merrifield Center as well as implementing a 5:00 p.m. meeting start time. Noting the challenges of addressing all Board member schedules while being mindful of the long hours required by staff to attend evening meetings, it was indicated the Board will try this earlier start time, and if needed, can revisit.
- Susan Beeman announced beginning in May, the start time of the monthly Behavioral Health Oversight Committee meetings will move to 5:00 p.m. and the May meeting will also be held at the Merrifield Center.

## 6. Directors Report

Tisha Deeghan reported on the following:

- Within the last couple of days, two items of concern have surfaced —
  - ♦ Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (DBHDS) Commissioner Debra Ferguson indicated the Federal Government has suggested states not expanding Medicaid will encounter non-renewal of the 1115 Medicaid Waivers, the ramifications of which would impact Virginia's Governors Access Plan (GAP).
  - ♦ The Virginia Association of Community Services Boards (VACSB) has alerted that within the draft FY 2016 State Performance Contract a mandate has been included for emergency services staff to be licensed, in addition to meeting the unique skills required in this area. This language was added even though a similar measure introduced in the 2015 General Assembly session was not accepted after being thoroughly vetted and determined it would be an untenable demand for the CSBs statewide. In response, the VACSB is proposing alternative language to eliminate a licensure requirement while supporting criteria to ensure skilled staff fill the positions. Should alternative language not be accepted and the licensure mandate be retained, the VACSB is recommending all CSBs refuse to sign the Performance Contract renewal. During discussion, a request was made to provide the state statutory authority to implement such a requirement.
- It was noted the request to apply for the CIT Assessment grant due May 5<sup>th</sup> is being presented to the CSB Board this evening for approval, and in turn, will be presented to the BOS on April 28<sup>th</sup> in which representatives of the agencies collaborating in this effort will be in attendance.

Assistant Deputy Directors Jean Hartman and Lyn Tomlinson shared a summary of changes that have been occurring within CSB service areas to more efficiently and productively serve the community. It was noted these changes have been possible in large part due to the implementation of the CSB Priority Access Guidelines and the support of staff, peers as well as stakeholders. The changes include:

- Same day walk-in screenings are now available at the Merrifield Center, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. weekdays, in lieu of conducting phone screenings. In addition, once it is determined

the priority access guidelines are met, financial reviews as well as full assessments are offered. Should the threshold not be met, assistance is provided in identifying other community options.

- To fill a long identified service gap, staff is being deployed from less utilized service areas to provide Substance Use Case Management for outpatient detox, with a particular focus on those individuals repetitively entering Detox, but refrain from follow up treatment.
- Medical Detox treatment capacity is being expanded by adding nursing positions through attrition. While the number of Social Detox beds currently meets demand, there is an ongoing waitlist for medical detox treatment.
- With the closing of Crossroads Youth and through collaboration with the Comprehensive Services Act (CSA), case management for 90 additional youth and their families can be provided. Also, treatment capacity at Crossroads Adult will be expanded with deployment of some staff.
- The Jail Diversion team will increase by one position allowing for expansion of services and possible earlier intercepts.
- Redeployment of part-time positions into Support Coordination Services will expand Targeted Case Management for Medicaid recipients who do not have waivers.
- With an aging ID population with growing medical needs, resources, including enhancing nursing positions, are being efficiently converted to support directly-operated residential homes.
- With some gender-specific day treatment programs being underutilized, consolidation has been undertaken while retaining the gender-specific portion. Staffing resources have also been split to address the need for Adult Partial Hospitalization Services that waxes and wanes between the North and South county sites.
- In light of the close proximity of the Heritage and Merrifield sites, Behavioral Health Services are being combined allowing for the availability of more bilingual staff and support of high-priority programs.
- As part of an efficient business process, a centralized scheduling system is being implemented at all major CSB sites in which the clinical staff is no longer responsible, but instead, business support staff coordinates scheduling of all appointments.

Following the report, it was noted this information should be provided to the BOS, possibly within the yearend report, as well as ensure the community is informed of the recent activities.

Len Wales highlighted some outcomes with the adoption of the FY 2016 county budget on April 21<sup>st</sup>.

- CSB funding was restored in two areas:
  - 1) within the Adult Detention Center, partial restoration for one position in Jail-based services which will be adjusted to accommodate the level of funding provided.
  - 2) three positions in Detox Diversion Outreach.
- A market rate adjustment increase for staff salaries from 0.84% to 1.10% was adopted. It was indicated this same rate will be used for consideration of vendors requesting a rate adjustment.
- Within the FY 2016-FY 2017 Budget Guidance document, the BOS was put on notice of a movement at the state level to hold localities responsible for the educational needs of

youth receiving residential services through the use of CSA pooled funding. If implemented, this added expenditure as well as allocation of staff resources could be significant.

- Also within the Budget Guidelines is notice of possibly using one-time carryover funding to assist Service Source in obtaining facilities for a disability resource center.
- While noting the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) was adopted by the BOS, it was indicated an amendment put forth by Braddock District Planning Commissioner Ellen Hurley to move a feasibility study for an Intermediate Care Facility (ICF) from FY 2024 to near term funding was not included. This amendment initiative was in recognition of the March 2016 closure of the Northern Virginia Training Center and immediate need for housing. Noting a rough estimate of the study is about \$175,000, the CSB intends to request funding as part of the FY 2015 carryover.

## 7. Committee Reports

### A. *Behavioral Health Oversight Committee*

Susan Beeman highlighted the March draft minutes included in the agenda materials and also reiterated that the May committee meeting will be held at Merrifield beginning at 5:00 p.m.

### B. *Fiscal Oversight Committee*

In Suzette Kern's absence, Mr. Garnes provided a report of the activities at the April committee meeting which included:

- ♦ Ken Garnes is the new chair of the committee.
- ♦ The staff vacancy outlook has improved and regular Human Resources updates continue to be provided which are helpful in understanding developments.
- ♦ A yearend surplus is currently projected at about \$2 million.

### C. *Government and Community Relations Committee*

It was noted the April committee meeting was cancelled.

### D. *Intellectual and Developmental Disability (IDD) Committee*

- Lori Stillman noted the testimony presented at the FY 2016 budget hearings focused on the importance of Day Support and Employment Services as well as extended appreciation to the BOS for their support of the special education graduates.
- The DBHDS Transformation Teams have issued recommendations in four areas: 1) Adult Behavioral Health, 2) Adult Developmental Services, 3) Children and Adolescent Behavioral Health Services, and 4) Services to Individuals who are Justice-Involved. Public comments are being solicited through May 31<sup>st</sup> and town hall meetings scheduled across the state during May to receive direct feedback. A town hall meeting is scheduled locally in Woodbridge on May 12<sup>th</sup> and additional information on this meeting as well as the proposed recommendations can be found on the DBHDS website.
- CSB staff continues to conduct a series of focus groups on shaping a common vision on Employment and Day Support Services. Summaries of the focus group discussions as well as an online survey can be accessed on the CSB website.

- A notice of proposed rulemaking has been issued in the April 15<sup>th</sup> Federal Register on implementing job training reforms through the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act. Comments are due by June 15, 2015.
- The next IDD Committee meeting is May 14<sup>th</sup>.

9. Action Items

A. *Grant Application for Crisis Intervention Team Assessment Funding*

Daryl Washington provided an overview of the request for approval to apply for the CIT assessment grant due May 5<sup>th</sup>. In response to support of staff positions if no further funding is provided after three years, it was noted there would be an effort to petition for general fund support to continue this vital program. Following some further discussion, a motion was offered by Gary Ambrose to approve the grant application which was seconded and passed.

B. *CSB Officer Nominating Committee*

Following an overview of the CSB officer nominating process, Ken Garnes offered a motion for Susan Beeman, Suzette Kern and Lori Stillman to serve on the CSB Officer Nominating Committee for FY 2016 which was seconded and passed.

10. Information Item

A. *Capital Improvement Program Update*

As the CIP discussion took place earlier in the meeting, Jeannie Cummins Eisenhour provided two additional related issues. Recognizing the initiative of Braddock District Planning Commissioner Ellen Hurley in trying to advance an ICF feasibility study to the near term, the Board may wish to extend appreciation. In the area of crisis care, the feasibility study for a new facility no longer remains in the CIP as it was proposed for one year and not accepted. With this in mind, the Board may wish to consider adding this request to the long term portion of the CIP.

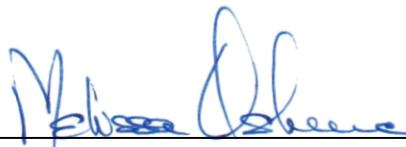
There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion to adjourn was offered, seconded and carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Actions Taken--

- The March 2015 meeting minutes were approved.
- Submission of the CIT grant application was approved.
- The FY 2016 CSB Office Nominating Committee was established.

May 27, 2015

Date



Staff to Board