

REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING  
November 17, 2011 – 6:00 pm  
County Board Meeting Room – County Building  
Belleville, Illinois

**PRESENT:**

**Board Members:**

Ann Barnum  
Dr. Bob Clipper  
John Kernan  
Elliott McKinney  
Brad Harriman

**Staff:**

Dana Rosenzweig  
Debbie Humphrey  
Peg Maher, Consultant

**Excused:** Elaine Cueto, Curt Schildknecht, Kristi Luetkemyer, Patty Shevlin

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

On a motion made by Mr. Kernan and a second by Mr. Harriman, the Board approved the minutes of the October 20, 2011 Board Meeting.

**REPORTS:**

**Finance Committee:**

Mr. McKinney reported that the Finance Committee met in the Conference Room of the St. Clair County Building on November 8, 2011. The Committee recommends that the Board approve the following items: payment of the claims and purchase orders; grants of \$6,000 each to Community Link and Trinity Services for continuation of Art Therapy programs for FY 2012; and approval of the County Budget in the amount of \$3,230,000.

On a motion by Mr. McKinney and a second by Dr. Clipper, the recommendations were approved.

**Program Services:**

Ms. Humphrey reported on her annual site visits with the funded agencies, including the status of developing program outcome measurements. She also shared information regarding the work of the Juvenile Justice Task Force and on “Silent Sirens”, a veterans initiative designed to improve mental health interventions for military persons/families suffering from PTSD.

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**Disaster Services:**

Ms. Maher reported on an extremely successful 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Disaster Training that was held on October 21, 2011. Attendees included a large contingent from Scott Air Force Base. Ms. Maher also provided information on the county wide earthquake drill that was held earlier today.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

Mr. Rosenzweig reported the much anticipated opening of the behavioral unit at Touchette Regional Hospital finally occurred on November 14<sup>th</sup>. This resource should now assist local emergency rooms in dealing with involuntary admissions and facilitate more timely care. In addition, he also provided update on the Governor's revised plan to close Chester Mental Health Center, the current State budget, the work of the Mental Health Task Force and the completion of the FY 2012 Strategic Plan.

**INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:**

Vice President Barnum welcomed the guests and offered them the opportunity to address the Board: Michelle McDaniel, Community Link; Natalie Coriell, Violence Prevention Center; Jodi Gardner & Kate Underwood, Programs and Services for Older Persons; Diana Cuddeback, Family Hospice; Cheryl Compton, Call for Help; and Orville Mercer, Chestnut.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:25 pm.

Dana Rosenzweig