

Minutes
Human Services Advisory Board
Annual Meeting
Tuesday, June 17, 2025 6:00pm
48 East Main Street
Clinton, CT 06413

Board Members Present: Gerry Baird, Tami Cogar, Ian Coyne, David David, Melissa Harris, Mary Saunders, Connie Warner

Board Members Absent: Brian Corbin, Tessa Gebauer

Staff Member Present: Kathy Grega Staff Member Absent: Carol Sanzero

Meeting called to order at 6:00pm.

3/18 Meeting minutes were reviewed and approved.

Treasurer's and Director's reports were reviewed and approved.

Director's Reports April & May were reviewed and approved.

- Discussion about Youth Conference in Ohio; 6 youth, 3 adults attending; cost \$12,000
- Ian – still working on starting a MH support group
- ARPA money – contacted clinicians, extended number of sessions and continue to see clients. Funds need to be used by 12/31/2025.

Meeting dates were set for 13-month calendar: discussion was had changing Tuesday meetings to Thursday and also in person vs. Zoom. Motion made for and approved:

- Move to 1st Thursday and in person with Zoom option for those who cannot personally attend. Kathy will set this up.
- New meeting dates for 2025: 7/10, 8/7, 9/4, 10/2, 11/6, 12/4; 2026: 1/8, 2/5, 3/5, 4/2, 5/7, 6/4, 7/2

Election of officers: Gerry and Connie to stay on their current roles. Reviewed bylaws so the board understands the responsibility of roles.

Election of executive committee: Melissa and Ian to join.

Other: Discussion regarding homeless in the ShopRite parking lot. Town, Kathy and PD working on it. Bullying discussion continued from previous meetings. Work is being done at the HS level; focus on microaggressions. Kathy meets with Marco. Discussed adult bullying and social media and how it plays into the youth issue. Survey was sent by Asst. Superintendent regarding the climate at CPS – how do we support our teachers. The Anxious Generation presentations had a low turnout – how to market these events to the community so more people attend.

Meeting adjourned at 7:03pm.

Respectfully submitted by C. Sanzero (notes by G. Baird)