

ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

STATE INSTITUTIONAL SYSTEM BOARD

Alexander Juvenile Assessment and Treatment Center

Alexander, Arkansas

July 11, 2018

Members Present: Dianne Thomas, Chair
James Luker, Secretary
Rafael Figueroa
Michael Russell

DHS Staff Present: Keesa Smith, DHS Deputy Director
Betty Guhman, Director, Division of Youth Services-DHS
Jonathan Brown, Deputy Director, Division of Youth Services- DHS
Marq Golden, Asst. Director of Division of Youth Services-DHS
David Sterling, DHS Office of Chief Counsel
Jay Hill, Director, Division of Aging, Adult & Behavioral Health Services
Scottie Leslie, Division of Aging, Adult and Behavioral Health Services
Miguel Barragan, Division of Youth Services-DHS
Mark Hooten, Division of Youth Services-DHS
Marion Morrow, AJATC Program Director
Tony Tanner, ROP AJATC Staff
Amy Ast, ROP AJATC Staff
Bryan Hall, Arkansas State Hospital COO
Jay Battle, Arkansas State Hospital Administrator

Ms. Dianne Thomas, chairman, called the meeting to order at 12:10 p.m.

Ms. Thomas introduced and welcomed the newest SIS Board member, Dr. Michael Russell from Springdale, Arkansas. She asked everyone to introduce themselves and identify the state agency they work for.

Mr. Rafael Figueroa made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 11, 2018 meeting; Mr. Michael Russell seconded the motion. Motion was approved

DIVISION OF AGING, ADULT AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES REPORT (DAABHS)

The Division of Aging, Adult and Behavioral Health Services (DAABHS) quarterly report was previously distributed to the Board and is attached to the minutes.

Arkansas State Hospital (ASH)

Emergency Transfer Switch System project at ASH has been completed. The new models will allow for monthly emergency management testing to ensure generators are transferring power to the patient care units on the forensic side of the hospital. The project has been completed and is working well.

New fire control panel project to upgrade the panel to allow proper communications within the hospital is underway and should be completed in the coming weeks.

Room by Room Project is in process. This project includes deep cleaning of the patient rooms along with painting the walls. The existing wood beds will be replaced with plastic ligature resistant beds. The new beds will be bolted to the foundation. The existing wood shelving will be replaced with plastic ligature resistant shelving. This project should be completed in the next six months.

Arkansas Health Center (AHC)

Leakage problems have occurred in the dietary building. An architect has evaluated and made the recommendation to replace the roof. Plans and specs are being reviewed by the Division of Building Authority (DBA).

Mr. Rafael Figueroa made a motion to approve the DAABHS report and Mr. James Luker seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

DIVISION OF YOUTH SERVICES REPORT (DYS)

The Division of Youth Services (DYS) quarterly report had been previously distributed to the Board and is attached to the minutes.

DYS Facility Reports

Alexander Juvenile Assessment and Treatment Center plumbing and fixtures will be finished by the end of the week.

Mansfield sewer project on standstill because of concerns of connectivity to main city line; new mayor drawing new setback and will have new negotiations.

Mansfield water tower complete and only needs approval by the health department.

Generators for all facilities are in the process of getting repaired and/or replaced; working with procurement to get stand in generators; will have report on all generators on next meeting; will have continuous check of generators (monthly).

Integrity conducting audits and quotes for new energy program; evaluate power needs to lower costs (all facilities).

195,000 dollars' worth of work already completed at all facilities.

Mr. Michael Russell made a motion to approve repair and roof and Dermott facilities and Mr. Rafael Figueroa seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

Mr. Michael Russell made a motion to approve emergency procurement for kitchen/dining and intake buildings for roof and sewage repairs and Mr. Rafael Figueroa seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

Mr. James Luker made a motion to approve the DYS report and Mr. Rafael Figueroa seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

SIS BOARD DISCUSSION

Michael Russell asked questions regarding safety and security protocols at the juvenile facilities. Ms. Guhman, Mr. Brown, and Mr. Golden responded to addressing concerns and will present guidelines in the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Jay Hill informed the Board the parking lot lease DABBHS has with UAMS for the lot at 4500 West 7th Street, Little Rock is up for renewal. This is the lot vacated by the Little Rock Community Mental Health Center which includes eighty-one regular parking spaces and six handicapped spaces. Mr. Hill requested permission to review and renegotiate the lease.

Mr. Michael Russell made a motion to approve renegotiation with UAMS leasing the parking lot property and Mr. Rafael Figueroa seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

No old business

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting will be, October 10, 2018, at 12:00 p.m., at the Harrisburg Juvenile Treatment Center.

Mr. Rafael Figueroa made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Mr. Mike Russell seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

The meeting adjourned at 12:56 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

James Luker, Secretary