

HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, JULY 1, 2014
1:30 p.m.

PRESENT: P. Yendell, L. Semmel, B. Carman, I. Davis, B. Donohue, E. Gott, D. LeFeber, I. Coyle

CENTER FOR NURSING & REHABILITATION – FRANK BASSETT

Pre-approved Informational Item(s) To Be Reported

1. FINANCIAL/OPERATIONAL UPDATES:

- a.) Occupancy- As of June 23, occupancy was 99.6% for the month.
- b.) Cash Flow – The CNR’s Cash Flow Report as of June 20 reflects \$13,029,089 in reserves. This balance includes \$7,883,540 in IGT monies received June 11.
- c.) Budget Variance – The April 2014 budget variance reports are attached and will be discussed at the committee meeting.

Mr. Bassett reported that we are in a very fortunate position. The Center had its’ best month of the year at 99.6% occupied last moth. They have nine clients in transitional care that have decided to go long term. He will be sitting down with his Director of Fiscal to discuss how best to manage the beds. The total number of admissions is decreasing as we don’t have the number of beds available. The average Medicare amount is in the \$400 range while Medicaid is in the \$200 range.

He has discussed how best to use the facility monies. They have never been in a better condition in terms of cash. The bonds for this year have already been paid. The operating budget revenue is exceeding the revenue target. They are doing okay with Worker’s Comp. They did have to pay some settlements. He is working with Omnicare on some invoicing issues. The pharmacy bid was released yesterday and the opening will be July 29. Mr. Bassett had eight vendors on the distribution list. A recommendation should be ready to be issued at the August Committee meeting. Mr. Davis questioned the drug bid specifications and Mr. Bassett explained how the bid is laid out. He expects some very competitive bids. He is hoping to have one Pyxis machine in each neighborhood, which would eliminate the current monthly waste when meds are ordered and then changed for some reason.

Mr. Gott thanked Mr. Bassett for his work at the facility.

Informational Item(s) Written Only

1. Reports - Absenteeism & Mandation, Agency Use, Hours Worked
2. Audited 2013 Financial Statements – Rotenberg is finalizing the 2013 Financial Statements for presentation to the Human Services Committee at the August meeting. The statement was delayed while awaiting release of the 2012/13 IGT payment.
3. NYS Department of Health Annual Survey – The NYS Department of Health was on-site from June 16 – 19 with up to seven inspectors conducting medical record reviews, resident and family interviews, policy review and direct observations. At the exit conference we were presented with five tentative low-level deficiencies. This is below the New York State and National average. Four of the tentative deficiencies were related to two issues each for two residents and constituted no harm. The fifth tentative deficiency requires that we replace plastic lock boxes in medication refrigerators with metal ones. Surveyors commented on the positive resident/staff interactions observed and were impressed by how well maintained and clean our Center is. The results of this inspection should return the Center to its former 4-star (Above Average) Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Nursing Home Compare rating.
4. Flooring Project – Corporate Floors installed new plank vinyl and carpet flooring in the 12-bed Park Avenue Peach Family Unit on June 26. The installation serves as a mock-up for the project possibly to be bid in July for the flooring replacement in all Neighborhood Family Units, the Atrium and ground floor common areas.
5. Courtyards Project – Clark Patterson Lee developed the bid document, which was released at the end of

- June to replace the failed pavers in courtyards. An award recommendation will likely be presented to the Human Services Committee in August. Installation is expected to be complete by mid-October.
6. Nurse Call Communication Management Software Project – The vendor conducted the software upgrade the week of June 23. System operability now permits significant report generation flexibility to monitor Nurse Call Response time. Dale Nieswiadomy, IT Director and Tom Helles, Building Maintenance Foreperson were instrumental in the success of this project.
 7. Pharmacy Bid – The bid document was developed to include service to the Center and the County Jail as was previously done. The bid is scheduled for release on July 3. A recommendation will be presented to the Human Services Committee at its August meeting. The current Pharmacy Services contract expires October 31.
 8. HELP Camp – The CNR will host 20+ participants of the Business Education Alliance Health Exploration Learning Program (HELP) on August 19 for a three quarter day program at the CNR exposing Middle School (6th – 8th grade, 11 – 13 years old) students to health career opportunities.
 9. MedTech Camp – The CNR will host students for a half-day health careers exploration program on August 6 in conjunction with WNY Rural Area Health Education Center. Students will have an opportunity to participate in hands-on activities and learn from CNR staff speakers from various health professions.
 10. Annual CNR Carnival - Mark your calendars, you are invited to enjoy an afternoon of games, contests and BB-Q on **Wednesday, August 27**. As always, the parking lot will be closed and converted to a carnival and there will be lots of children! Pie eating, spelling and wheelchair races will be among the contests.

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES- DIANE DEANE

Action Item(s) To Be Reported

1. AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN OF THE LIVINGSTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO SIGN THE FOLLOWING CONTRACT(S) FOR THE LIVINGSTON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICE: GENESEE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Livingston County Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to sign the following contract(s) for the Livingston County Department of Social Services, according to the term(s) designated, subject to review by the County Attorney and County Administrator:

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Genesee Community College One College Road Batavia, NY 14020	8/1/14-7/31/15	\$267,340.00

For: This contract provides for a large part of the training our staff receives, including training provided by the County ITS Department to DSS staff.

<i>Funding Source</i>	<i>Local Share</i>	<i>Budgeted ?</i>	
State Training Cap	0-5%	Yes	X No

Mrs. Deane explained that this contract is done every year for staff development. The contract costs to DSS is \$0.

Motion: Mr. Gott moved and Mr. Carman seconded to approve the foregoing resolution..... Carried.

Informational Item(s) Written Only

1. Status Reports

- a. Statement of Appropriations, Expenditures & Balances (Monthly) (May)
- b. Statistics (Monthly) (May)

Temporary Assistance Cases (TA):	<u>May</u>	<u>% change from Jan 1</u>
Family Assistance	387	-1.02%
Safety Net	388	0.52%

Total	775	-0.26%
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Medicaid Cases (MA):

Community	3830	-3.26%
Chronic Care	233	-0.85%
Foster Care	145	0.00%
SSI	1267	1.93%
Total	5475	-1.92%

Medicaid Individuals (Monthly Premium):

These Individuals are included in above TAMA.

Managed Care	6390	4.72%
Family Health Plus	1159	-22.42%
Total	7549	-0.62%

Food Stamp Cases:	3463	2.88%
Child Care Cases:	202	-0.98%

Protective Services for Adults (PSA):	73	4.29%
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<u>Financial Mgmt</u>	57
<u>Home Mgmt</u>	48
<u>Personal Care</u>	19
<u>Guardianship Cases</u>	7
Awaiting discharge	4
Pending	0
Assessment assists	94

Preventive Services:	58
<u>Probation caseload</u>	30
<u>School based consults</u>	207
<u>School based active</u>	4

Child Protective Services (CPS):		<u>YTD</u>
New Assignments	47	283
New Assignments that went FAR	16	114

Foster Care	65	
Foster Children - DSS Custody	47	27.03%

2. Employees hired, resigned or retired in June:
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| Diane Marcellus | Released from Probation | Telephone Operator |
| Lakeville | 6/6/14 | |
| Deborah Beardsley | Promoted | Principal Social Welfare |
| Examiner | | |
| Leicester | 6/22/14 | |
| Elizabeth Bartolotta | Retired | Support Investigator |
| Geneseo | 6/27/14 | |

1:50 OFFICE FOR THE AGING – KAAREN SMITH
Pre-approved Informational Item(s) To Be Reported

1. Livingston County Office for the Aging will be receiving additional grant money as a result of the NYS awarding of the Balancing Incentive Program funds. The specific purpose of the grant is to expand the current NY Connects program operations in 54 counties to connect / partner with other state systems resulting in a consistent system to increase consumer access to non-institutional Long Term Care Systems and Supports. Lead NY Connects local agencies in Livingston County are the Office for the Aging, DSS and the Health Department. We are expected to issues a MOU between these lead agencies that will outline roles and responsibilities to meet the following objectives:

- a. Increase access to the no wrong door single point of entry systems (NWD/SEP) for programs and services that has been established in Livingston County (nyconnectslivingstoncounty.org)
- b. Implement conflict free case management services. Some states have allowed the agency that provides assessment services to individuals to also be the provider of those services. This has resulted in an incompatible relationship between private enterprise and the use of public funds.
- c. Implementation of a Core standardized assessment tool to be used /shared by multiple providers.

Although we had multiple conference calls, the Area Agencies have not yet seen the actual grant application. The deliverables that we will be allowed to spend this funding on will involve systems infrastructure (ex. Computers, website design, staff trained to provide information and assistance using a screening tool to be developed by the state). No money is to be spent on services (meals, rides or aides).

The amount of the grant funding we are told will come to Livingston follows. There is no local match requirement for the BIP funds or the additional NY Connects funding. Note that the BIP funds will not be renewed. The NYSOFA has told directors that it is expected that the addition NY Connects funding may have a chance of being renewed, but there is no guarantee. The NY Connects funding already in the state budget for Livingston ((43,987) is considered stable

Balancing Incentive Program funds targeted for Livingston County	= \$187,680
Additional NY Connects funds targeted for Livingston County	= 35,333
NY Connects funds already in state budget for Livingston County	= 43,987
Total Funding	= \$267,000

All funding must be spent by September 30, 2015.

Mrs. Smith reviewed the grant and explained that she is unsure when the funds will be received. This is a significant amount of money. Grant funded projects need to be completed by September 2015. There was discussion regarding the use restriction on the grant.

Informational Item(s) Written Only

- Kaaren Smith is participating on the Noyes Continuum of Care Coalition meetings. This is a group charged with strategic planning of medical and non medical services in the Noyes Hospital service area (Livingston and Steuben counties. The mission of the organization is consistent with the NYS Office for the Aging NY Connects focus of better access to Long Tern Care Services and Supports in the county through systems integration initiatives. Members agreed to dedicate agenda time to Long Term Care issues. In doing so, 23 member agencies will be able to participate as a Long Term Care Council for NY Connects in a more effective and efficient way. This will help has the county moves forward with the initiatives that will be outlined in the Balancing Incentive Program Grant.
- The Alzheimer’s Association of Greater Rochester (435 East Henrietta Rd., Roc., NY 14620) will be offered Dementia Care Counseling Services at the Office for the Aging the last Friday of each month from 1 pm until 4 pm. Margaret Hance, Dementia Care Counselor from the Alzheimer’s Association, will meet with caregivers in a confidential setting to assist them with accessing programs and services. Appointments are made by calling the Livingston County Office for the Aging.
- A Dementia Care Workshop will be held at the EOC Training Center on June 26th from 10 am until noon. Nanette Friedman, Dementia Services Specialist and Debbie Giordano, Dementia Special Services Coordinator from the Alzheimer’s Association will be offering expert assistance in how to communicate with the dementia patient and handle difficult behaviors. Providers that offer programs and services in our county will be offering information and assistance. The workshop is free to the public.

- Kaaren Smith Attended the NYS Association of Area Agencies on Aging Concerns Unite Us conference on June 3rd and 4th. The conference site was the Desmond Hotel in Albany. The Director attended workshops on the NYS Legal Services Initiative to learn more about the overall goals of this initiative in how to improve the delivery of legal services to the Elderly. The Director attended all information session offered on Managed Long Term Care and the Balancing Incentive Program Initiative.
- Brittany Peter, PT Caseworker Assistant has joined the staff at the Office for the Aging. Her main responsibilities will be completed in-home services assessments, health insurance counseling, options counseling for benefits and entitlements and information and assistance.

Program Summary Report for Fiscal Period 4/1/2014 – 6/23/2014

- a. Total number of individuals service (unduplicated county) = 625
 - Age 60 - 75 yrs = 84
 - Age 75+ = 366
 - Age 85 + = 175
- b. Poverty Level
 - 100 % (\$11,490 annually or under) = 105
 - 150% (\$17,235 annually) = 252
- c. Frail / Disabled (2-3 activities of daily living that are difficult to perform) = 349
- d. Live Alone = 284

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH/MENTAL HEALTH – JENNIFER RODRIGUEZ

Action Item(s) To Be Reported

1. AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN OF THE LIVINGSTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO SIGN THE FOLLOWING CONTRACT(S) FOR THE LIVINGSTON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH/MENTAL HEALTH FOR THE COUNCIL ON ALCOHOL AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Livingston County Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to sign the following contract(s) for the Livingston County Department of Mental Health, according to the term(s) designated, subject to review by the County Attorney and County Administrator:

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Council on Alcohol and Substance Abuse 4612 Millennium Drive Geneseo, NY 14554 For: Therapy Services	7/1/14 – 6/30/15	\$35 per hour

<i>Funding Source</i>	<i>Local Share</i>	<i>Budgeted ?</i>
Varies by payer	Varies by payer	Yes X No

Director's Comments: This service agreement provides capable personnel to provide needed therapy services. Ms. Rodriguez explained that this covers a staff shortage for therapy services at the Mental Health Clinic.

Motion: Mrs. Donohue moved and Mrs. Semmel seconded to approve the foregoing resolution.. Carried.

2. AMENDING THE 2014 HOURLY SALARY SCHEDULE: DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND REFER THIS MATTER TO WAYS & MEANS

RESOLVED, that the Salary Schedule is amended as follows:

Delete one PH Sanitarian Technician

Delete one MH Clinical Therapist

These are vacant positions no longer needed.

Motion: Mr. LeFeber moved and Mrs. Semmel seconded to approve the foregoing resolution . Carried.

Ms. Rodriguez reviewed the organizational chart showing the culmination of how Mental Health will look like under Public Health. The supervisory position she is proposing is a working clinician. This would be a clinical licensed mental health therapist. They could do assessments, intakes, and utilization reviews, as well as, the day

to day supervision of our therapists. Someone to review the treatment plans on a regular basis. With 19 FTEs, the department is lacking that intermediary piece.

Ms. Rodriguez explained that in reviewing the organizational chart, you can see the operating budgets and the number of FTEs in each center. Right now, Patient Services is the largest with a \$4.5 M budget, which will go to about \$2.4M and Mental Health is \$3M with the other centers being pretty equitable across the board. M. Anuszkiewicz would be like the other center directors reporting the Ms. Rodriguez. Mr. Coyle explained that with M. Anuszkiewicz moving from a supervisory position to Director of Community Services of Record, there is a need for someone to act in a supervisory way for Mental Health. There will be two full time managers instead of three. Mr. Coyle believes that we will see some synergy with staffing for clerical in your financials, payroll if there is extra work to be done, an employee can move from Public Health to Mental Health. There are efficiencies to be gained down the road.

3. AMENDING THE 2014 HOURLY SALARY SCHEDULE: DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND REFER THIS MATTER TO WAYS & MEANS

Create and fill one Full-time Mental Health Supervisor and referring the matter to the Ways and Means Committee

Motion: Mrs. Donohue moved and Mrs. Semmel seconded to approve the foregoing resolution.. Carried.

4. DISCUSSION OF DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES

Motion: Mr. Gott moved and Mrs. Semmel seconded to forward the recommendation of Michele Anuszkiewicz as Director of Community Mental Health Services to the Ways and Means Committee Carried

5. AUTHORIZING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR THE FAMILY PLANNING PRACTICE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM – ECLINICALWORKS

WHEREAS, the County of Livingston solicited a Request for Proposal for Family Planning Practice Management System for Livingston County Family Planning Program, 2 Murray Hill Drive, Mt. Morris, NY 1451, and four proposals were received, now, therefore, be it

resolved, that the Chairman of the Livingston County Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to sign the following contract, which is determined to be the most qualified to provide said services, subject to review by the county attorney and county administrator:

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Eclinicalworks	60 Months after	\$29,500.00 - one time fee
2 Technology Drive	effective start date	\$400.00 - monthly fee
Westborough, MA 01581		
For: Family Planning Practice Management System		

Ms. Rodriguez explained that Jim Peraino, Dale Nieswiadomy and Elaine VanSon were joining her for the family planning practice management system agenda item. Mr. Peraino explained that the government has been encouraging agencies to use electronic medical records. It is to the point that they have indicated that funding may be reduced if you do not use electronic medical records. Research was done on the software available and an RFP was prepared. Four proposals were received with one later being withdrawn by the vendor. Mr. Peraino reviewed the review process of the proposals. There was discussion regarding the training piece of the contract.

Motion: Mr. Gott moved and Mrs. Donohue seconded to approve the foregoing resolution Carried.

Pre-approved Informational Item(s) To Be Reported

1. DEPAUL - Gillian Conde will present a housing proposal to the committee. Ms. Rodriguez explained that Depaul will come to the next meeting. Mr. Coyle and Ms. Rodriguez gave a brief description on this not for profit housing project.

Informational Item(s) Written Only

- **Fiscal Updates**
 - CHHA Medicare Cost Reports**
 - Full - \$429 (\$12K worse than 2012)
 - Direct - \$105k (\$5k worse than 2012)
 - Service - +595k (\$49k worse than 2012)
 - HOSPICE Medicare Cost Reports**
 - Full \$189, 427 (\$2,630 better than 2012)
 - Direct (\$10,234 worse than last year)
- **Reproductive Health Center is going through a transition to electronic medical records.**
- Training Day for Public Health and Mental Health was well attended and well received. Agenda included Community Health Improvement Plan update, Violence in the Workplace, Teambuilding Activity, SWOT analysis re: Strategic Plan
- The Health Education Team and other county staff coordinated the Livingston County SHAPE 5K, which was well attended.
- Four local Farmers' Markets have adopted a tobacco free policy. Free signage was provided.
- Reproductive Health Center Public Health Educator has been very busy presenting various programs in local schools.
- Community Health Improvement Plan Update:
 - ✓ Enhancing breastfeeding initiatives by creating Baby Cafes to support breastfeeding moms,
 - ✓ School Health Index assessment was completed with a local school which will result in policy/practice changes regarding nutrition
 - ✓ Evaluation of the Lima Walking Trail is currently being conducted regarding usage and physical activity levels of users
 - ✓ Save A Lot is participating in the Healthy Retail Store initiative and will be labeling low fat dairy, low sugar beverages and low sodium frozen dinner items
- Continuing in the Management Contract with the VNA of WNY. Having regular staff meetings to continue to work on improved documentation to decrease corrections for Sandy Bradt, SPHN, and maintain compliance with our Plan of Correction. Average census - 75 to 85 patients.
- Jill Burley, SPHN, is working diligently with Elaine VanSon of ITS rolling out new Hospice Requirements (Hospice Item Set) by deadline of 7/1/14. Special education sessions have been conducted with Hospice Staff to ensure adequate knowledge and compliance.

Livingston County Department of Health	
<i>Environmental Health Programs</i>	
1) Public Health:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children's Camps • Mobile Home Parks • Food Service Establishments • Septic Systems • Clean Indoor Air Act (CIAA) compliance • Campgrounds • Temporary Residences • Pools & Beaches • Realty Subdivision
2) Rabies:	Investigations of animal bites and human treatment approval
3) ATUPA:	Adolescent Tobacco Use Prevention Act compliance
4) Lead:	Investigations on elevated lead levels in occupied structures
5) Radon:	Investigations on elevated radon levels in occupied structures
6) Watershed:	Surveillance of Conesus Lake watershed
7) Public Water Supply:	Inspection and permitting of public water supply facilities
8) Dog Control:	Management of stray dogs and complaint response
9) Weights and Measures:	Inspection and permitting of retail facilities

Rabies Investigations					
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Bites Reported	59	82	100	88	43
Animals Tested	58	52	32	35	11
Animals Tested Positive	3	5	9	5	0

Number of Permitted Food Service Establishments					
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Low Risk	90	92	82	80	76
Medium Risk	145	162	171	167	167
High Risk	35	35	33	32	30
TOTAL	270	289	286	279	273

Number of Radon Kits Distributed

2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014*	2015
111	117	105	118	45	33	52	23*	
* 2014 figure includes, January, February & March.			Current Grant Period July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2015					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are over 18,000 residences in Livingston County. • Scientists estimate that 15,000 to 22,000 lung cancer deaths occur in the US each year related to radon. 								

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Semmel moved and Mr. Gott seconded to adjourn the meeting at 3:37 p.m.

VETERANS SERVICES AGENCY – FRANK HOLLISTER

Informational Item(s) Written Only

1. This writer attended two (2) Suicide Prevention meeting during the month of June 2014. The first meeting was the Western NY Coalition held in Warsaw, NY on 06-03-2014 and the second meeting was on 06-10-2014 at the Livingston County Highway Department with/for the Livingston County Suicide Prevention Task Force. The major topic for both organizations was communicating to the community that suicide is a major problem locally and nationwide, and that assistance is available. CASA is attempting to provide to the community “drop-off” points for prescription drugs, one of the major causes of suicide in the nation.
2. On Friday, June 13, 2014, Senator Patrick Gallivan and Assemblyman Bill Nojay were in Geneseo to dedicate State Route 20A, from 390 to the Wyoming County line as the Livingston County Veterans Memorial Highway. This process took approximately two years to accomplish, with Senator Gallivan and Assemblyman Nojay spearheading the project. We should thank these gentlemen!
3. I attended a meeting at the Canandaigua VAMC on 06-17-2014, to discuss the implementation of the Mobile Medical Unit sponsored by the Canandaigua VAMC. Final preparations are in the works, including sight requirements, M.O.U., etc. It is hoped that the unit will be in operation by the end of July.
4. A very informational meeting of the County Veterans Service Officers Association was held at the Buffalo Regional Office on 06-19-2014. One of the major discussions was the media coverage of the VA for “waiting lists” at several VAMCs and what the status for the Buffalo VAMC was. The I.G. was investigating that facility during our meeting, and their “problem” at that time was the improper sterilization of instruments and the repeated use of insulin pens. Allegedly, nothing else has become an issue, yet!

The Regional Office (receives claims) was “hammered” by those in attendance. The national average for completing claims is supposed to be one hundred twenty-five (125) days or less. The Buffalo R.O.s is almost double the national average. The Service Center Director, who is in charge of the claim’s process, was not aware that Service Officers are not receiving notification of what a veteran needs to perfect his/her claim in the mail, as everything is now electronic. If the veteran does not notify his/her Service Officer, the veteran may lose their claim for failure to provide essential information to support said claim. Another problem is that a very high percentage of our veterans do not have access to a computer and the “ebenefits” the VA is pushing to follow the claim! This is just another way for the VA to deny the claim.

We also had a representative from the Pension Maintenance Center (PMC) out of Philadelphia, PA. He indicated everything is running smoothly, dropping all kind of statistics and numbers on those present. However, when specific claims were mentioned with the year and a half to two year waiting period before the pension claim is adjudicated, he stated, e-mail me the pertinent information and I will respond. Right.

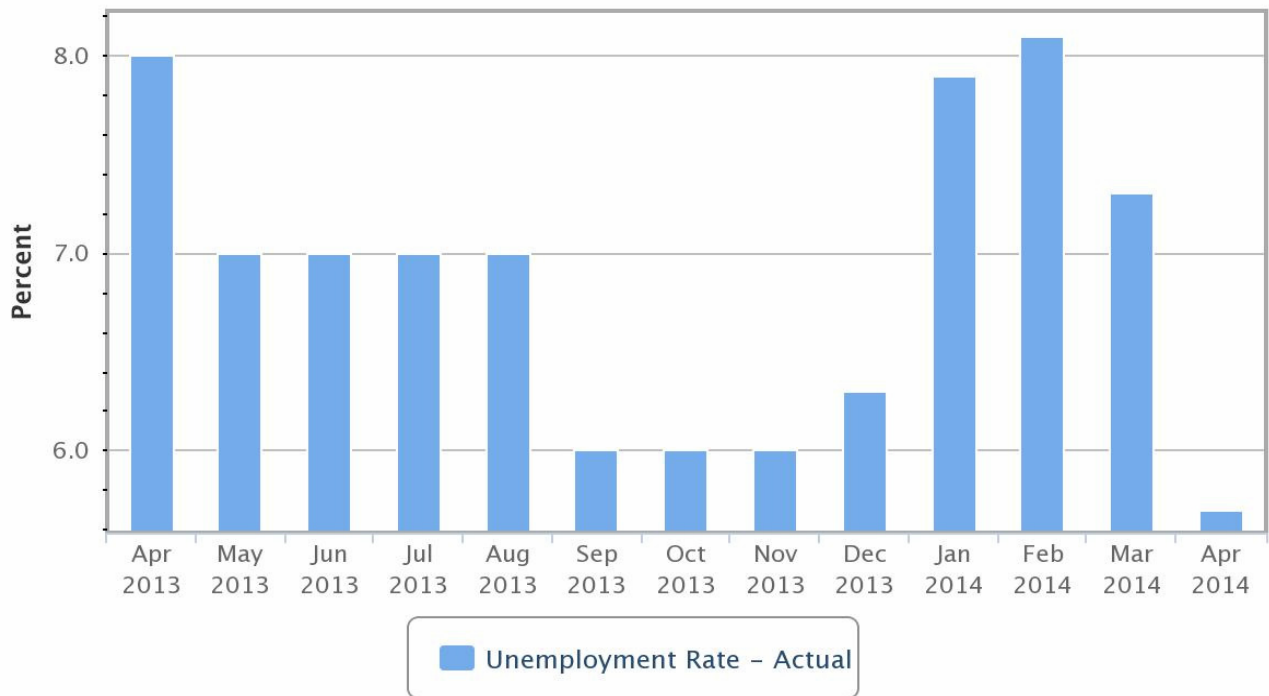
5. I attended the Buffalo VAMC Veteran’s Advisory Committee meeting on 06-20-2014. Again the topic of the I.G.’s investigation of the Buffalo VAMC was discussed. The Director admitted that there are veterans that are waiting for more than the fourteen days for primary care or thirty days for specialty clinics, but this is at the veteran’s request(?). Their “waiting list” provided names of individuals on active duty, living in other states, veterans who were enrolled into VA facilities in other states but who had utilized the Buffalo VAMC for emergency care and numerous other reasons that significantly decreased the Buffalo VAMC’s “waiting list”
6. The Livingston County Vets Court/Drug Court, is a reality. Mentors are being lined up for specialized training, with the assistance of Anne Chwiecko. Hopefully this training will take place in early July.
7. Last but not least, I am very proud to have been inducted into the NYS Veterans Hall of Fame.

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT - RYAN SNYDER

Informational Item(s) Written Only

1. Date tables created using Revelstone PM System – Pilot
Department

Unemployment Rate 2013-2014



The Unemployment Rate report is unchanged from last month. The New York State Department of Labor has not released the May rate at the time this report was submitted.

2. Office of Workforce Development Activity Report

Activity	May 2014
Counselor Assisted Appointments	69
Adults/Youth in Training	36
Credentials Earned	21
Employer Recruitment Events	3
Entries to Employment – WIA Only	43
Workshop Attendees	30

3. Workforce

WIA Reauthorization – The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) is bipartisan legislation that will reauthorize the Workforce Investment Act program for six years from 2015 to 2020. The bicameral legislation is moving through Congress, and is expected to be signed into law before fall. The legislation preserves the workforce system as currently constructed, with some minor revisions listed below.

- Reduces the size of the Workforce Investment Board
- Eliminates the sequence of service to provide more flexibility in serving clients.
- Places a priority on out-of-school youth by requiring 75% or more of funding.
- Includes funding levels for FY 15 to FY 20, although funding is dependent upon appropriations.

Summer Youth Employment – 47 low-income youth will take part in a weeklong work readiness program from July 7th through July 11th as a precondition for participation in the Summer Youth Employment Program. An additional 15 younger youth (14-16) will begin a five-week career exploration program led by

Olie Olson at Genesee Valley Education Partnership.

Work Experience – Work Experience sites for public assistance clients were established at the Highway Department, Planning Department and Lagom Landing and the Salvation Army and Campus Auxiliary Services are in the process of establishing agreements.

4. Youth Bureau

Youth Board – The Youth Board met in June to review the Teen Recognition event. Nomination procedures will be revised to provide more clarity and consistency for the nominator and review team.

Needs Assessment – The Youth Board is planning to conduct a Youth Needs Assessment in the fall to evaluate the highest priority areas in the community. This will coincide with an RFP being released in the winter.

5. Community Service Block Grant

Dual Certification Training – Four of the eight CSBG funded students have been offered employment at the CNR and a fifth student is working for another nursing home. The next training session is scheduled for October 1st.

Delegate Agencies – Program monitoring was completed at Geneseo Parish Outreach in June and has been scheduled for Chances and Changes for September. A mandatory training for all delegate agencies has been scheduled for July 2nd to introduce new reporting requirements.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele R. Rees
Clerk of the Board