

Clay County 708  
Mental Health Board  
Minutes

Date : October 22, 2024

Members present via zoom: Jonathon Akers, Samantha Weidner, Lara Casolari, Brandi Young, Kelly Colclasure, and Nancy Hinton

Members absent: None

-The meeting began at 12:00pm

-Presentations were made. Curtis Leib from probation, Mel Kelly from Safe and Ariane Souder and Jody Gillum from the Clay Co Hospital all came to do a presentation asking for funding. The Clay Co Sherriff and Pastor Michael Davis from Friendship Connection of Clay County sent letters explaining what they would use funding for but couldn't attend in person. There was much discussion about the five entities asking for funding and the different strengths and weaknesses they each provide for residents of Clay County. A decision was made and voted unanimously on by the members to divide the \$36,000.00 as follows: \$21,000 to the Clay Co Hospital; \$8,000 to Friendship Connection of Clay County; \$3,500 to the Sherriff's Department; \$3,000 to Probation and \$500.00 to SAFE. The minutes was read from the last meeting and Jonathon motioned to accept them as is, with Brandi seconding the motion. There was some discussion on reappointments and possibly adding Chris Boyd as another member and we would have 7 complete members then. We will reach out to her to come to the February meeting and then she would be appointed at the Clay County Board after that (likely March). Samantha brought up the fact that she is President of CADA and there was much discussion about how CADA has not asked for funding for several years and if they were to in the future Samantha would recuse herself from the vote. There was some more discussion on the mental health services in Clay County and how the need is so great with more people in need being younger (as in minors) than ever before.

Meeting was adjourned by a motion by Samantha and seconded by Kelly

Tentative meetings for 2025 will be as follows: February 11<sup>th</sup>, May 6<sup>th</sup>, August 12<sup>th</sup> and October 21<sup>st</sup>, all at noon as long as the conference room at the Clay Co Health Department is available.

Respectfully submitted,

Clay Co 708, Mental Health Board

Chairperson