

**Mental Health Sub-Committee Meeting  
Tuesday, June 17, 2008  
3:00 – Greene County Mental Health Center**

**Person Conducting Meeting:** Peter Konrad  
**Recorder:** Jill Sirago  
**Members:** Diane Braden, Mary Daggett, Pat McLoughlin, Betty Mucich, Jeff Rovitz,  
**Excused:** Colleen Glass, Sharon Mahota, Linda Wistar, Christine Young  
**Staff:** Peter Konrad  
**Guests:**

Topic	Discussion	Action/Item
	Minutes from the May meeting were reviewed	
GCMHC Building	Peter updated the sub-committee on the progress of the renovations. We have moved upstairs to the old Cooperative Extension space. Dan Frank, Acting County Administrator kept the project on task. The CSB will be sending Dan a letter of thanks. Buildings & Grounds has cleaned out the basement & attic of the building with the help of jail inmates. We will continue to request renovations such as the front porch, roof, and windows. We will also be looking at the flooding issues in front of the building.  The Cairo Public Library has been using one of our storage areas to sort books that have been donated.	
PROS	PROS continues to be discussed with MHA, GCMHC and OMH. Peter and Jeff Rovitz met with the Hudson River Field Office to discuss new rates and deficit funding. It is now in the hands of Central Office and they hope to hear back soon. PROS programs that are currently running have experienced a loss and the State is hoping to protect us from that. After it is approved it could be up to a years wait.	
Parson's RFP	We have received many letters of support from agencies and families. The state budget may put it on hold though. Parson's is also trying for a residence in Warren/Washington Counties. GCMHC has agreed to provide clinical support to the project. Parson's has a site in mind in Catskill.	
Housing	Jeff reported that the State will be giving out funding for three 50 bed CR/SRO's. There will also be new RFP's for mixed housing (DSS, HIV, etc..)	
GCMHC	Peter reported that the clinic prescribers are feeling overloaded. There is still no wait for a psychiatry appointment. We will be trying to assess if all medication referrals are appropriated. The next consideration could be adding more Nurse Practitioner hours.	
Rural Health Network	The RHN will be prioritizing GCMHC's Geriatric Project for next year. Dr. Rosenfield will be soon joining the project. OMH is looking to have medical care and mental health under the same roof.	
	Minutes respectfully submitted by Jill Sirago	

**Next MH Sub Committee Meeting is on September 16<sup>th</sup>, at 3pm at GCMHC**