

Reclassifying Staff Psychiatrist Position To Associate Supervising Psychiatrist Position – Amending The 2008 Ulster County Budget – Mental Health

The Health Services Committee (Chairman R.S. Parete and Legislators Briggs, Stoeckeler, Terpening, Petit, Roberti and Ronk) offers the following:

WHEREAS, Ulster County Mental Health is required to designate a “Chief Clinician” in accordance with regulations of the New York State Office of Mental Health, and

WHEREAS, the Supervising Psychiatrist is designated as the “Chief Clinician”, having the responsibility for clinical oversight of Ulster County Mental Health and the behavioral health service system in Ulster County, and

WHEREAS, in order to provide full coverage and to share in the supervision of 15 psychiatrists employed by the department, an Associate Supervising Psychiatrist position had previously been established, and

WHEREAS, as a result of budget reductions, and in order to avoid reductions in direct services, the Associate Supervising Psychiatrist position was eliminated two years ago due to difficulties in recruiting for the position, and

WHEREAS, at the time that the position was eliminated, Ulster County Mental Health informed the Ulster County Legislature that the position would eventually have to be re-established when a candidate was identified, and

WHEREAS, Ulster County Mental Health has identified a candidate for this position and has the funding in its budget for the salary, and

WHEREAS, Ulster County Mental Health has requested that a Staff Psychiatrist position be reclassified to an Associate Supervising Psychiatrist position, and

WHEREAS, the Associate Supervising position has been assigned to the NYSUT Management Bargaining Unit by the Personnel Officer, and

WHEREAS, the Health Services Committee has met and reviewed said request with a majority of the members voting approval, and

WHEREAS, the Personnel Committee has met and reviewed said request with a majority of the members voting approval, and

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WHEREAS, the Ways and Means Committee has met and reviewed said request with a majority of the members voting approval.

RESOLVED, that the 2008 Ulster County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

RECLASSIFY

<u>FROM</u>		<u>AMOUNT</u>
4320-1918 (PC #)	Staff Psychiatrist (Effective June 2, 2008) (Salary to year end \$99,207.00) *Annual Salary	\$170,017.00*

<u>TO</u>		<u>AMOUNT</u>
4320-1918 (PC #)	Associate Supervising Psychiatrist (Effective June 2, 2008) (Salary to year end \$96,476.00)	\$165,207.00*

TRANSFER

<u>FROM</u>		<u>AMOUNT</u>
A4-2317-1005	MH Ellenville Regular Pay	\$ 21,870.00
A4-2265-1005 (App. #'s)	Ellenville Chemical Dependency	\$ 156.00

<u>TO</u>		<u>AMOUNT</u>
A4-2290-1005	Administration Regular Pay	\$ 19,295.00
A4-1331-4553 (App. #'s)	Contingent Account	\$ 2,731.00

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and moves its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 32 NOES: 0
(Absent: Legislator Hansut)

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

(\$2731.00) – BUDGETED APPROPRIATION DOLLARS

(\$2731.00) – BUDGETED COUNTY DOLLARS – SAVINGS

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