

**WEST VIRGINIA MENTAL HEALTH PLANNING COUNCIL
MINUTES
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CHARLESTON, WV**

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Holiday Inn Express in Charleston

Meeting called to order.

Roll Call (Teri Toothman) members present - 21, others joined later Quorum was established.

Minutes of last meeting reviewed. Motion to accept minutes as written Teri Toothman, Brandi Blankenship seconded.

Required seats reports:

Janet Johnson, Voc Rehab - still no money, nothing to report

Dave Majic gave a brief update on the children's division. He introduced Leslie Summers and Jackie Payne as new staff in his office.

4 key areas - projects, mental health block grant (planning and development - Leslie Summers), services development (Jackie Payne working with state implementation team), and education and resource.

Hand out for system of care. Linda Watts will be the Director of System of Care Project - No region 2 or WV Family Alliance.

3 tier model Develop a readiness approach, skill development, work force development

White paper for school based mental health (working on it)

Transition to community in the works

Lastly -Suicide prevention plan adoption

Lastly -Bureau will have a new and improved web site

Lastly - PCG report will be released in about a week (29 recommendations) first round

Lastly - John B released primary goals for bureau

Lastly - will work with Ted regarding monitoring committee

One last thing - data tracking (what do we track, what do you put out to the community??)

Systemic Tracking - what would council like to see on a quarterly basis.

That's it, By the way mental health block grant got cut this year

Steve Mason - CSAP sight review upcoming, Pride (?) conference in Charleston in April. Prevention grants - will be over this fall. ½ counties are doing well. Over bedding -number of people diverted to other hospitals.

Federal block grant for substance abuse took a cut this year

Tammy from Marshall - info available next couple of weeks.

Rehab rerun - large waiting list (barrier for supported employment

Francie Clark - Said that IDEA (rough draft) was put out last week. Directors will meet and Policy 2419 will be reviewed/reworded and hopefully will be available by Feb.

She also reviewed the realignments in the Office of Special Education.

The focus of this meeting is to review the Block Grant.

Ted Johnson - systems monitoring and evaluation chair reviewed the block grant application

Ted read a rough draft of the letter to be submitted to the governor from the council.

Discussion was held. Teri made a motion to accept the letter as written, seconded by Nancy.

Letter will be sent to Paul today and to the Bureau on Monday.

Angela will be bringing copies of the grant and the MHPC Plan of Operation.

Committee chairs and participants were announced:

Adult Issues - Debbie Mitchem Toler

-Ted Johnson

-Frankie Capocefalo

-David Boothe

-Shelia Hicks

-Bob Hanson

-Nancy Deming

-Melissa Toothman

Children's Issues - Teri Toothman

-Pam Harper

-Pam Akers

-Leslie Summers

-Millie Gerbo

-Melody Waybright

-Francie Clark

-Bob McConnell

Olmstead - Melody Waybright

-Nancy Allison-Schmitt

Systems Monitoring and Evaluation - Ted Johnson

-Ted has the "exclusive" list

Membership/By Laws - Paul Macom

-Bob McConnell

-Millie Gerbo

Retreat is scheduled for Oct. 13 in Lewis County.

Look into info provided by Steve Mason regarding MHPC secretary draft a letter to DHHR opposing taking

A motion was made by Bob McConnell for the council to look into the gambling network RFP process and write a letter to appropriate responsible officials regarding our position on that process. This was seconded by Debbie Mitchem , motion carried.

Jackie reviewed the grant and how to access it.

Ted briefly summarized the Systems Monitoring and Evaluation Committee lunch meeting.

Angela brought copies of the grant for everyone.

Motion was made to raise gas mileage reimbursement to whatever the state rate is by Teri Toothman, seconded by Ted Johnson motion carried.

Teri made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Brandi, meeting adjourned.

The next Council meeting will be held on August 11th - location to be announced.

Motion to adjourn.

Paul Macom