

Community Mental Health Affiliation of Mid-Michigan
Consumer and Stakeholder Advisory Council

Meeting Minutes of March 3, 2011

Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton-Eaton-Ingham Counties
812 E. Jolly Rd., Conference Rooms G-11 A & B
Lansing, Michigan

Present: Committee Members: Julie Barron, CSR (CEI); Heather Bell, CSR (Gratiot); Tina Bertram (CEI); Melissa Crysler, CSR (Newaygo); Annette Fisher (Gratiot); Judith Fryer (CEI); Charlotte Lamb (Gratiot); Nick Lawson (Gratiot); Michael Mackin (Manistee-Benzie); Lavonda Smith (Newaygo); Angela Thrush (Gratiot); Pixie Stevens (Newaygo); Lori Swan (CEI); Rebecca West, CSR (CEI); Nicole Wright (CEI)

Other: Toby Bayless (Affiliation); Heidi Stevens (Newaygo); Danielle Vance (Manistee-Benzie); Kim Zimmerman (Affiliation)

Call to Order: Nicole Wright, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 11:10 AM, followed by introductions.

Agenda Review: The following items were added to the agenda:

- Creative Recovery presentation – Judith Fryer
- Health Care Reform invitation – Kim Zimmerman

It was MOVED by Nick Lawson, and SUPPORTED by Tina Bertram, to approved the revised agenda. Motion APPROVED.

Consumer Bulletin: Heather Bell distributed a draft of the Consumer Bulletin Spring edition. Discussion followed with suggestions for minor revisions. The final draft will go to the March 11 Quality Improvement work group meeting for approval. May 27 is the deadline for submissions to the Summer edition. The Summer edition draft will be mailed for review prior to the June Advisory Council meeting.

CMHSP

Presentation: Michael Mackin reported the new Manistee-Benzie drop in center is up and running. Newaygo CMH will make the June CMHSP presentation.

Kim Zimmerman clarified the local CMHSP presentations can be done by consumers or staff.

Recognition Dinner: Kim requested development of criteria for receiving the Andy Carlson Award before voting. It was decided the criteria and some of Andy's poetry would be read upon the award presentation during the Recognition Dinner. It was **MOVED** by Julie Barron, and **SUPPORTED** by Nick to nominate primary or secondary consumers Affiliation-wide for the Andy Carlson Award. Motion **APPROVED**. Nominations for the award were Donna Rose, Nick Lawson and Charlotte Lamb. Votes were taken; the winner will be announced at the Recognition Dinner. Heather will order the award.

Lori Swan announced Diana's Catering was selected for the Recognition Dinner. She asked if anyone had food allergies before she chooses the menu. She presented her idea for table favors, and requested poems and/or quotes be sent to her by April 29. She will also pick up the table service. Lori and Becki West will develop a program. Becki will send electronic invitations to each affiliate CSR for distribution and response. Kim presented the idea of having a Master of Ceremonies, and have each CEO make a presentation or bring a peer to talk about innovative local programs or recovery stories.

Other Business: Angela Thrush expressed her concern regarding member conduct during the February Advisory Council meeting.

Judith Fryer showed the quilt that will be displayed by Creative Recovery at the CEI Annual Breakfast on March 18.

Next Meeting: Kim announced a change in format for the April meeting. Advisory Council members will attend the Health Care Reform discussion meeting featuring James Haveman as speaker. The meeting will be held at the Lansing Center, April 7, 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM with lunch provided. An

RSVP is requested to Debbie Heinze at Heinze@ceicmh.org or 517-346-8375 by March 31.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 2:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra Heinze
Affiliation Secretary

PURPOSE STATEMENT

- To assure that consumers shape the policies & practices of the Affiliation of Mid-Michigan & the State
- To determine the needs of consumers & to communicate those needs to appropriate parties. To improve the work of the Affiliation, so that it meets the needs of consumers, families, & other stakeholders
- To review & to make recommendations about the Affiliation's programs
- To make suggestions to the Director of Affiliation Operations
- To be advocates of system-wide change for consumers' rights & consumers' welfare
- To work as a team in a safe, friendly & respectful environment