

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

**Meeting Minutes of November 1, 2007**

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); Jean Cowdery (Gratiot); William Crandell (CEI); Marvin Embry (CEI); Judith Kindel (CEI); Nick Lawson (Gratiot); Sandra Pillera (Ionia); Christine Riddlebaugh (Gratiot); Lavonda Smith (Newaygo – via videoconference); Bea Stevens, CSR (Newaygo – via videoconference); Pixie Stevens (Newaygo – via videoconference); Rebecca West, CSR

Other: Toby Bayless (Affiliation); Kim Zimmerman (Affiliation)

**Call To Order:**    Judith Kindel, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 11:05 AM.

**Agenda Review:**    The agenda was approved as submitted.

**Review & Approval**

**Of Minutes:**        The minutes of the October 4 meeting were read aloud by Nick Lawson. It was MOVED by Julie Barron and SUPPORTED by Christine Riddlebaugh to approve the minutes as submitted. MOTION PASSED unanimously.

**Strategic**

**Planning:**            Kim Zimmerman announced this meeting's focus would be on the review of goals. She noted the last set of goals was issued October 6, 2004. The members broke into groups to develop purpose statements of three words or less. Kim led a brainstorming process to combine ideas. Discussion ensued. It was decided Debbie will type the brainstorming notes and send them out for review prior the December meeting. The December meeting focus will be to state the goals in measurable, achievable terms with time frames. Responsible people will be assigned and schedules will be developed.

**Open Forum:**        A card, certificate and pin were given to Christine to present to Jana Perez in appreciation for her work as coordinator of the Anti-Stigma grant.

Kim announced she will bring the final cut of the Anti-Stigma DVD back to the Council when she receives it from Todd Heywood.

Nick led discussion regarding holding a holiday party. It was decided by consensus to hold this event during the regular January meeting. Pizza will be provided, and each member may bring a dish to pass and a gift for exchange for those who wish to participate.

Julie Barron stated she can provide an anti-stigma poster to anyone who is interested.

Julie announced Bea Stevens received the Consumer Advocacy award at the Michigan Association of Community Mental Health Boards' Fall Conference. Congratulations were extended to Bea.

Judith brought copies of the CEI Consumer newsletter for review.

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 1:55 PM. The next scheduled meeting of the Affiliation Consumer and Stakeholder Advisory Council will be Thursday, December 6, 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM at 812 E. Jolly Rd., Lansing, Michigan in Conference Rooms G-11 A & B.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra Heinze  
Affiliation Secretary