

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

Meeting Minutes of September 4, 2008

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

Present: Committee Members: Julie Barron, CSR (CEI); Heather Bell, CSR (Gratiot); Jean Cowdery (Gratiot); William Crandell (CEI); Rebecca Gardner (CEI); Todd Koopmans (Newaygo - via videoconference); Nick Lawson (Gratiot); Kim McKenzie, CSR (Manistee-Benzie); Robin Moody (Newaygo – via videoconference); Sandra Pillera (Ionia); Lavonda Smith (Newaygo – via videoconference); Bea Stevens, CSR (Newaygo – via videoconference); Pixie Stevens (Newaygo – via videoconference); Rebecca West, CSR (Ionia)

Other: Judi Cates (CEI); Kim Zimmerman (Affiliation)

Call to Order: Todd Koopmans, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 11:10 AM.

Guest Presentation: Judi Cates, Director of Substance Abuse Services & Corrections Mental Health Program, at CEI CMH, distributed a brochure describing the various components that comprise the Program. She explained the services and funding, and answered questions.

Agenda Review: Todd announced his appointment to Chairperson upon the departure of Christine Riddlebaugh from the Advisory Council, and initiated discussion regarding filling the vice-chairperson position. It was MOVED by Nick Lawson, and SUPPORTED by Bill Crandell to accept nominations for the position during this meeting. MOTION PASSED unanimously. Nominations were accepted by Nick, Sandy Pillera and Kim McKenzie. The nominees will make their statements prior to voting during the October meeting.

Work Groups: Nick reported Heather Bell has been researching, and is able to provide handouts regarding various addictions and information on Adult Children of Alcoholics.

Julie Barron and Rebecca Gardner have been working on media presentations for television, radio and newspaper. Kim Zimmerman

reminded them this must be presented to each local agency for approval prior to implementing.

Todd's web site is up and running. He requested a membership roster with contact information be sent with the October meeting mailing.

DCH Site Review: Kim Zimmerman reviewed the scoring summary from the Michigan Department of Community Health (DCH) site review. She noted the final plan of correction is due to DCH by September 29. Kim reviewed the results from the DCH interview with the Consumer panel. Feedback determined a need for increased Person Centered Planning. Kim will begin making 20 minute presentations to the Advisory Council regarding Person Centered Planning as a standing agenda item. Other areas of concern were the hiring of consumers with clear expectations and orientation, and transportation issues for the affiliates.

Final Thoughts: Nick and Kim McKenzie withdrew their nominations for the vice chairperson position. As a result, Sandy will become the Vice Chairperson.

Julie announced a support group forum will be held at CEI on October 6.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 2:00 PM. The next scheduled meeting of the Affiliation Consumer and Stakeholder Advisory Council will be Thursday, October 2, 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