

Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services
Division of Behavioral Health
Office of Consumer Affairs/People's Council
Region V Behavioral Health Authority 1645 'N' Street, Suite A
Lincoln, NE 68508
November 07, 2012
9:00 am -3:00pm

DRAFT Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

Judie Moorehouse called the meeting to order at 9 am.

ROLL CALL

Board members present: Tammy Fiala, Beth Baxter, Susan Hancock, Lori Hack, Mary Thunker, Judie Moorehouse, Nancy Rippen, Kim Carpenter, Paige Hruza, Taren Petersen, Scott Loder and Phyllis McCaul.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR NOVEMBER 7TH, 2012

Mary Thunker motioned to accept the agenda for the November 7th, 2012, meeting as presented and then seconded by Tammy Fiala.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER 20TH, 2012

Nancy Rippen motioned to accept meeting minutes as presented and seconded by Susan Hancock. Voting YES were Tammy Fiala, Beth Baxter, Susan Hancock, Lori Hack, Mary Thunker, Judie Moorehouse, Nancy Rippen, Kim Carpenter, Paige Hruza, Taren Petersen, Scott Loder and Phyllis McCaul.

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Kim Carpenter notified council members and officially submitted her resignation for her position with the OCA People's Council. She made a recommendation that Jeri Schaden, be allowed to fill her position and asked what the procedures were for this to take place representing BHECN. Carol stated that Jeri would need to submit an application to fill Kim's appointment and submit this by the next council meeting, scheduled for February 5, 2013.

One grant application was handed out and discussed.

WOMEN'S ISSUES ACCESS TO SERVICES PRESENTATION BY RENEE FABER

Renee presented information and data regarding the wait-time for Women/Mother's with dependent children in Substance Abuse Treatment Programs in Nebraska. The concern with committee members is the reasons for the wait-time for families to be separated and what can be done about these times. One issue that was addressed is the importance of the families to be interacted as much as possible even when the mother is in treatments. A statement was made by a council member that when the children are separated from their mothers during their treatment periods without any contact with that parent, then the child suffers and it may lead to emotional problems for the child in the future.

Renee provided the federal guidelines for women's set aside funding that several assurances in place to treat the family as a unit.

ENVIRONMENTAL RECOVERY MEASURES REPORT BY PATRICK JOHNSON

Patrick provided additional information of his findings and answered questions that council members had regarding the four recovery instruments which include: ROSE (Recovery Oriented Service Evaluation), REE (Recovery Enhancing Environment), ROSI (Recovery Oriented Systems Indicators) and RSA (Recovery Self-Assessment). The question of when the different surveys were developed was asked, Patrick stated that the RSA Evaluation was developed in the year 2003, and the ROSI was developed in 2005. He will need to look into the years of development for the remaining surveys. A consensus of one member was that it was a strong possibility that the chosen survey of the OCA People's Council would be the RSA Evaluation, although that the final decision will be discussed at the next meeting after Patrick provides additional information.

MEASURES OF CONSUMER INCLUSION

Carol provided a draft of tips to be refined and discussed in the future regarding the measures of consumer inclusion.

Group discussion of survey distributed to the Regions via Survey Monkey, invitation was sent to Regional Administrators and Regional Consumer Specialists. Group discussed liking the instrument and wanting one for providers. Group requested to redistribute the survey monkey before the February meeting to folks. A provider version of the survey was requested.

Discussion of needing a vision statement for providers in terms of what peer support and consumer inclusion are and why they are important is needed. Carol will get with Marla Augustine and follow up at the next meeting about an awareness campaign. It was suggested that a poster might be created.

PROVIDER UNDERSTANDING OF ROLE OF PEER SUPPORT

Paige Hruza stated that peers in her area are being requested to drive a van as part of their role as peers. In general, the group stated providers needed more education of the role of peer support.

OCA CONSUMER INVOLVEMENT PLAN

Carol distributed unofficial documents where she records the OCA's progress in the strategic plan for comment. The group felt the box that states "Stakeholder or Committee Input" should always be marked "before" and therefore shouldn't be on the form. The group suggested that financial incentives for consumer inclusion should be added.

Carol also distributed a draft of a Division of Behavioral Health Consumer Inclusion policy. A committee to develop this policy further was formed and meeting discussion will be shared.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public was not present at this time.

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm

Minutes by: Kathy Waldman

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